

**PUBLIC WORKS & SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE MINUTES
MARCH 25, 2014**

The Public Works & Solid Waste Management Committee met on Monday, March 25, 2014 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building, beginning at 1:35 p.m. Mr. Cullum, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

M. Todd Cullum, Chairman	Debra B. Summers, V Chairman
Jim Kinard	Bobby C. Keisler
K. Brad Matthews	Johnny Jeffcoat

Council Chairperson is a member of all Committees.

Also attending: Joe Mergo, III, County Administrator; Chris Folsom, Deputy County Administrator; Randy Poston, Chief Financial Officer; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and television stations, newspapers, posted on the County of Lexington website and bulletin board located in the lobby of the Lexington County Administration Building.

Ruth Vista Road Paving Recommendation - Public Works - Wrenn Barrett, Director of Public Works - Mr. Barrett presented four alternative options for paving Ruth Vista Road ranked number 11 on the C-Fund Paving list. He reported public hearings were held on December 5, 2013 and February 6, 2014 with the property owners. However, staff was unable to obtain 100 percent consensus to pave Ruth Vista Road. The following options were recommended:

Option #1) Remove Ruth Vista Road from the petition list due to the absence of 100% consensus to give necessary right-of-way.

Option #2) Partially pave Ruth Vista Road from Sherwood Drive approximately 2,530 LF to the initial properties where right-of-way cannot be obtained.

- This option would address 27 properties or 82% of the property owners that wish to give right-of-way and have the road paved.
- This option would improve 32% of the existing dirt portion of Ruth Vista Road.
- The maintenance and safety deficiencies at the intersection with Sherwood Drive would be corrected.

Option #3) Pave Ruth Vista Road as described in Option 2. Retain the existing surface of Ruth Vista Road from the end of Option 2 for approximately 860 LF. Begin paving Ruth Vista Road again for approximately 1,690 LF to the remaining properties where right-of-way cannot be obtained.

- The total improved length of Ruth Vista Road would be 4,220 LF or 53% of the existing dirt portion.
- A potential re-alignment of this added section would improve a dangerous curve and move the road away from a residence that is currently 25 LF from the existing centerline of the roadway.
- The end of pavement would be 765 LF short of the intersection with Pepper Road (logical termini).

Option #4) Pave Ruth Vista Road from Sherwood Drive approximately 5,080 LF to a terminus 765 LF short of the intersection with Pepper Road where the majority of the easements cannot be obtained.

- This length includes the sections described in Option 3 but requires paving in the prescriptive easement through the initial properties where right-of-way cannot be obtained, thus eliminating the skip-pave portion.
- This option would improve 64% of the existing dirt portion of Ruth Vista Road and would address 100% of the property owners that wish to give right-of-way and have the road paved.

A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Matthews to recommend to send to the County Transportation Committee (CTC) for consideration to approve staff's recommendation of Option 4 for the paving of Ruth Vista Road as presented by staff.

Ms. Summers inquired about the maintenance of the road being high. Mr. Barrett clarified the measurement of the prescriptive easement and verified there were drainage issues and high density use of the road. Ms. Summers questioned the section on the map in blue. Mr. Barrett explained that was the total length of the section that will not be paved. Mr. Barrett then verified the section of the road on which easements have been attained (5000 ft.) as the section to be paved. Ms. Summers questioned the section of the map in pink. Mr. Barrett explained that indicated the section of the road where the landowners were in disagreement of giving the right-of-way. Mr. Cullum commented the County has the ability to pave the section that it currently maintains. Mr. Kinard inquired as to the reasoning behind doing it this way. Mr. Barrett explained the safety concerns associated with paving the recommended portion of the road. He further explained that the road narrows to approximately 15 feet or one lane and could not be paved safely; whereas the pink area is approximately 24 feet and can be paved safely. The Committee discussed the requirements for paving a road already maintained by the County. Mr. Barrett reiterated that drainage is the biggest issue for taking care of a road and road width. Mr. Cullum confirmed with Mr. Barrett that Ruth Vista Road is number 11 on the list of the top 25 roads to be paved and thanked staff for the recommendations presented.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Mr. Keisler
 Mr. Matthews Mr. Kinard
 Ms. Summers Council Chairman Jeffcoat

DHEC's Solid Waste Reduction & Recycling Grant Application (Goal 1) - Solid Waste Management - Dave Eger, Director - Mr. Eger presented a request to submit an application to the South Carolina Department of Environmental Control (DHEC) for the Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant in the amount of \$10,000.00. There are no matching fund requirements. He explained the purpose of this grant is to provide funding to offset a portion of the e-waste disposal cost and to purchase six gallon indoor bins for storage of recyclables for residents using the collection and recycling centers.

A motion was made by Ms. Summers and seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend full Council approve staff's request to submit an application to DHEC for the Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Ms. Summers
 Mr. Kinard Mr. Keisler
 Mr. Matthews Council Chairman Jeffcoat

DHEC's Solid Waste Tire Grant Application (Goal 1) - Solid Waste Management - Dave Eger, Director - Mr. Eger requested approval to submit an application for the DHEC Solid Waste Tire Grant in the amount of \$3,750.00. There are no matching fund requirements. Mr. Eger explained that funding will be used for public education and staff training.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinard and seconded by Ms. Summers to recommend full Council approve staff's request to submit an application to DHEC for the Solid Waste Tire Grant.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Mr. Kinard
 Ms. Summers Mr. Keisler
 Mr. Matthews Council Chairman Jeffcoat

DHEC's Solid Waste Used Oil Grant Application (Goal 1) - Solid Waste Management - Dave Eger, Director - Mr. Eger requested approval to submit an application for the DHEC Solid Waste Used Oil Grant in the amount of \$ 16,850.00. There are no matching fund requirements. The funds will be used to purchase 20 boxes of oil bottle bags, 120 bags of Oil Dri, 8 oil spill containment platforms, equipment maintenance/replacement for oil collection as needed, public education and professional development for staff.

A motion was made by Ms. Summers and seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend full Council approve staff's request to submit an application to DHEC for the Solid Waste Used Oil Grant.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Ms. Summers
 Mr. Kinard Mr. Keisler
 Mr. Matthews Council Chairman Jeffcoat

Meeting of December 10, 2013 - Approval of Minutes - A motion was made by Ms. Summers, seconded by Mr. Kinard to approve the December 10, 2013 minutes as submitted.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Ms. Summers
 Mr. Kinard Mr. Keisler
 Mr. Matthews Council Chairman Jeffcoat

Old Business/New Business - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

M. Todd Cullum
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk