

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JANUARY 27, 2009**

The Public Works Committee met on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:56 p.m. Mr. Cullum, Committee V Chairman presided.

Members Attending:

M. Todd Cullum, V Chairman

Bobby C. Keisler

Debra B. Debbie Summers, Chairman

*William C. Billy Derrick

John W. Carrigg, Jr.

*Ms. Summers temporarily appointed Mr. Derrick for this particular meeting to serve on the Public Works Committee as a voting member.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; 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 TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

2009 State Match Resurfacing (Goal 3) - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director – Mr.

Fechtel presented a letter from the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) with revisions to the 2009 State Match Program. The prior agreement between SCDOT and Lexington County was a fifty/fifty match each at \$424,000. Mr. Fechtel said SCDOT has added a 5% contingency for an estimated cost of \$897,944.25. SCDOT wants the County to increase its match by \$49,944.25 for a total of \$473,944.25 but keep their portion at the original \$424,000 match. SCDOT is not willing to increase their portion of the match. Staff recommends not increasing the County's portion of the Match Program.

A motion was made by Ms. Summers, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend to full Council to approve staff's recommendation to not increase the County's match for the revised 2009 State Match Program.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Alternate Paving Program Update - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director – Mr. Fechtel

presented an update on the Alternate Paving Program. He reported that Jim Rucker Road has been bid for alternate paving methods and has received twenty bids. He said other paving projects will be bid in the same manner in order to get a true price comparison. Paving is being bid as triple treatment as an alternate to hot laid asphalt to compare pricing as well as the

following base materials; sand clay, crusher run, recycled concrete, and soil cement, all to SCDOT standards. Mr. Fechtel presented a list with the status of roads scheduled for paving that included \$750,000 approved from the General Fund and C-Funds. He stated that Heidelberg Drive was completed approximately \$25,000 under budget by doing the work in-house. Under the C-Funds list, he reported that Jim Rucker Road is approximately \$190,000 under budget. Mr. Derrick asked about the actual cost of \$54,000 for Heidelberg Drive and if it included equipment and labor. Mr. Fechtel responded it did not, that it was actual material cost. Staff to provide actual numbers for the complete cost in the next update. For information only, no action taken.

Norfolk Southern Railroad Agreement - Dogwood Road - Public Works - John Fechtel,

Director – Mr. Fechtel presented the Norfolk Southern Railroad agreement needed for the paving of Dogwood Road. The agreement has been reviewed and approved by the County Attorney. He said the railroad does not require any caution lights for this project. Mr. Fechtel said that Norfolk’s portion of the project is \$28,567. The County has budgeted \$600,000 for this project which is listed as a “C” Fund project. For information only, no action taken.

Town of Springdale “C” Fund Request - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director – Mr.

Fechtel presented a request from the Town of Springdale for \$36,250 in “C” Funds for Phase II of lighting improvements. The funds will assist the town with their twenty percent local match to the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT). Last year Council approved \$36,250 in “C” Funds for Phase I of this enhancement project. SCDOT has combined both phases of the project and is requesting \$72,500 as the Town of Springdale’s local match. Mr. Fechtel reported there is \$245,623 available in the “C” Fund Special Projects budget and recommends approving the request.

A motion was made by Ms. Summers, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend to full Council to approve the Town of Springdale “C” Fund request for \$36,250 for Phase II.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

NPDES Annual Report - Public Works - Synithia Williams, Environmental Coordinator –

Ms. Williams presented the NPDES Annual Report for the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC). She reported that the County is doing very good on all the minimum measures. Carolina Clear completed part of the information and a copy of their annual report is included with the NPDES Report. Ms. Williams discussed good housekeeping measures and will have the first training session with County staff on February 19, 2009. Also included in the NPDES Annual Report were the Lexington County MS4 Outfall Map and copies of agreements with Carolina Clear and other municipalities.

Ms. Summers temporarily appointed Mr. Derrick for this particular meeting to serve on the Public Works Committee as a voting member.

A motion was made by Ms. Summers, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend to full Council to approve staff's submission of the NPDES Annual Report to DHEC.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Approval of Minutes - Meeting of December 09, 2008 – A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Ms. Summers to approve the December 09, 2008 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business – Traffic Congestion – None.

Old Business – Taylor Road/Railroad Crossing Project – Mr. Fechtel reported that the bids are due on January 28, 2009 and the City of Cayce will be in attendance. Recommendations will be sent to Cayce for approval. Bids are for a three-lane, curb and gutter and side wall. Mr. Fechtel said that \$175,000 has been budgeted for this project and that the County needed assurance from Cayce and/or developer for costs over the \$175,000 budget before awarding the bid. Staff to report back at the next meeting on February 10, 2009.

NPDES Annual Report – Ms. Hubbard asked to return to the earlier discussions on the NPDES Annual Report. She asked Ms. Williams if there was anything in the report that she would anticipate that DHEC would have any concerns about or if it was a standard report format. Ms. Williams reported that she contacted DHEC's Compliance officer to get clarification on the new reporting format before submitting and was assured that the information provided by the County was on track with the report form, the map and attached agreements. She said DHEC will be conducting an audit before the County's permit term ends in 2011.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

M. Todd Cullum
V Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk