

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
JUNE 28, 2011**

The Public Works Committee met on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 2:03 p.m. Mr. Cullum, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

M. Todd Cullum, Chairman  
K. Brad Matthews  
James E. Kinard, Jr.

Bobby C. Keisler, V Chairman  
William B. Banning, Sr.

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

**S-48 Columbia Avenue - County Participation - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director -**

Mr. Fechtel presented a recommendation for Lexington County to participate in managing the S-48 Columbia Avenue project with the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT). He said SCDOT has a process called Local Public Agency (LPA) where the County can administer all or portions of the project. LPA Project Administration procedures and qualifications were provided for review. Mr. Fechtel explained that the process could save time and allow the County to have a sense of ownership to the project. The engineering and right-of-way have been funded by the Central Midlands Council of Governments (COG). The federal government is funding eighty percent of the project through the COG and SCDOT is responsible for twenty percent. Mr. Fechtel said he would arrange for Norman Whitaker of COG and a SCDOT representative to come to the July 26, 2011 Committee meeting to present the LPA Administration process. Mr. Fechtel said the total estimated project cost is \$22-24 million with engineering at \$2 million and right-of-way at \$8 million. There is no cost to the County and should be outlined in a participation agreement with SCDOT. The Committee approved staff to move forward with recommendations and return at the next meeting in July. No action taken, for information only.

**Sidewalk Request - Sunset Drive (South Congaree) - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director -**

Mr. Fechtel presented a request for construction of a proposed sidewalk from Congaree Elementary School to the library on Sunset Drive. The cost is estimated at \$25,000 for a 500 foot sidewalk. Mr. Fechtel reported "C" funds were available for the project (Funding to come from the balance of the Colonial Drive project (2700-121302-5R0084) at \$19,939; and \$5,061 from the Drainage Projects Account (2700-121302-5R0088) leaving a remaining account balance of \$5,949).

A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend to full Council to approve staff's recommendations for the South Congaree Sidewalk Project.

Mr. Keisler requested the project begin immediately upon Council approval.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Old Business/New Business - Traffic Congestion, Alternate Material for Road Swells, New Road - Corley Mill/Riverchase, Flooding Issues-Kinley Creek Criteria, Stormwater Land Development Manual Chapter 7 - None.**

**Old Business - Lexington School District One and Corley Mill Road** - Mr. Fechtel reported he has spoken with the SCDOT Planning Department and a meeting has been planned between SCDOT, Lexington School District One and Lexington County to review plans for Corley Mill Road. The Committee requested that Mr. Cullum, Mr. Banning and Mr. Davis be included.

**Old Business - Nursery Road Bridge Construction** - Mr. Matthews inquired when the construction on the Nursery Bridge Road bridge would begin. Mr. Fechtel said it would take some time for the design and plans to be completed before construction can begin.

**Old Business - Archer's Lane and Old Bush River Road Sidewalk** - Mr. Matthews asked for an update on funding for the Archer's Lane and Old Bush River Road sidewalk. Mr. Fechtel reported he has not heard from the COG and that they usually make their recommendations in June or July. The sidewalk is for Bush River Road only, not Archer's Lane since there was not enough funding for both. Mr. Fechtel will check and get an update on this project.

**Old Business - Hook Avenue** - Mr. Banning wanted to know if the Hook Avenue and Mungo issues had been resolved. Mr. Fechtel reported they are permitted.

**Old Business - Quail Hollow Road** - Mr. Banning asked if the Quail Hollow Road dam issues were under control. Mr. Fechtel reported the storm drainage under the dam will be rebid since there was only one bidder for the project.

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