
MINUTES
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
Central Square Government Complex, 240 Pine Avenue, Suite 380
Albany, Georgia 31702
September 19, 2013

MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Paul Forgey, Chairman TCC, Director Planning & Development Services
Bruce Maples, Engineering Director
Yvette Aehle, S.W. Georgia Regional Airport Director
Bob Takash, Albany Recreation Department
Larry Cook, Dougherty County Public Works Director
Jennifer Newton, Transportation Planner
Tennasha Green-Gresham, Transit Planner, DARTS MPO
Ryan Walker, Georgia Department of Transportation's Office of Planning
Transportation Planner, Atlanta
Brent Thomas, Georgia Department of Transportation
Pre-Construction Engineer, District 4
Ken Breedlove, City Engineering
Hubert Smigelski, Marine Corp Logistic Base

ABSENT:

John Proctor, Albany Chief of Police
Phil Roberson, Albany Public Works Director
David Hamilton, Albany Transit Director
Jackie Battle, Dougherty County Chief of Police
Bill Bradley, Dougherty County Engineering Manager
Bob Alexander, Vice-Chair, Lee County Director of Planning & Engineering
Robert McDaniel, Southwest Georgia Regional Commission
Vacant, Albany Traffic Engineer Manager
Orlando Rambo, Destiny Tours

**NON-VOTING
MEMBERS**

PRESENT:

Shane Pridgen, Georgia Department Transportation, District 4
Olivia Lewis, U.S. Department of Transportation, FHWA

**NON-VOTING
MEMBERS**

ABSENT:

Mary Teter, Planning Manager
Roy Tucker, Georgia Department Transportation
Sanford Hillsman, Albany Dougherty Planning Commission
Dinorah Hall, Citizens' Advisory Committee Representative

OTHERS

PRESENT:

Gloria Thompson, Administrative Assistant
Nicole Spivey, Georgia Department of Transportation
Richard Bramlett, Dougherty County Public Works
Steve O'Neil, SWGARC
Fred Broome, USMC
Joe W. Sheffield, Georgia Department of Transportation

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Forgey called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (April 18, 2013)

The following corrections to the minutes was made: show Ryan Walker as present and votes should be changed to reflect his vote; Paul Forgey as absent; Gerald Goolsby should be Gerald Goosby and Steve O’Neil, Southwest Georgia Regional Commission, will be his replacement; under Topic III “INBA” certified should be “IMBA” certified; under Topic I – FY 2014 Unified Planning Work Program – change “mostly money in the long range plan” to “mostly money in the long range transportation plan”.

A motion was made by Mr. Cook to approve the April 18, 2013 minutes as corrected. Ms. Aehle seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved as corrected with the following votes:

Paul Forgey	yes	John Proctor	absent
Bruce Maples	yes	Phil Roberson	absent
Yvette Aehle	yes	David Hamilton	absent
Bob Takash	yes	Jackie Battle	absent
Larry Cook	yes	Bill Bradley	absent
Jennifer Newton	yes	Bob Alexander	absent
Tennasha Green-Gresham	yes	Robert McDaniel	absent
Ryan Walker	yes	Orlando Rambo	absent
Brent Thomas	yes		
Ken Breedlove	yes		
Hubert Smigelski	yes		

TOPIC I – FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program

Ms. Newton presented the TIP, noting the following items:

- meeting schedule for the year
- page 3: Albany Project Cost Detail FY 2014-2017
- page 6: Bridge Replacement Chickasawhatchee Creek; construction 2017
- page 8: Road Widening SR 133 FM N of CR 459/County Line Rd to N of CR 540/Holly Dr
- page 10: Signal System Upgrade @ 16 Locations – Phase IV
- page 11: Preliminary Engineering – Summer Transportation Institute @ ASU; no construction – a summer program for historic black colleges

A motion was made by Mr. Maples to recommend approval of the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program to the Policy Committee. Ms. Aehle seconded the motion, and motion passed with the following votes:

Paul Forgey	yes	John Proctor	absent
Bruce Maples	yes	Phil Roberson	absent
Yvette Aehle	yes	David Hamilton	absent
Bob Takash	yes	Jackie Battle	absent
Larry Cook	yes	Bill Bradley	absent
Jennifer Newton	yes	Bob Alexander	absent
Tennasha Green-Gresham	yes	Robert McDaniel	absent
Ryan Walker	yes	Orlando Rambo	absent
Brent Thomas	yes		
Ken Breedlove	yes		
Hubert Smigelski	yes		

TOPIC II – Transit Report

Ms. Gresham gave a brief report on transit activities, noting the following:

- process of evaluating routes
- public information session held for route changes to educate public
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TOPIC III – Engineering Report

Mr. Breedlove gave a brief report noting the traffic signal project – 9 locations on Oglethorpe and Jefferson.

TOPIC IV – Vice-Chair Election

Mr. Forgey opened the floor for nominations. Mr. Cook made a motion to elect Mr. Maples as vice-chair. With the acceptance by Mr. Maples, Ms. Aehle seconded the motion and it was approved with the following votes:

Paul Forgey	yes	John Proctor	absent
Bruce Maples	abstained	Phil Roberson	absent
Yvette Aehle	yes	David Hamilton	absent
Bob Takash	yes	Jackie Battle	absent
Larry Cook	yes	Bill Bradley	absent
Jennifer Newton	yes	Bob Alexander	absent
Tennasha Green-Gresham	yes	Robert McDaniel	absent
Ryan Walker	yes	Orlando Rambo	absent
Brent Thomas	yes		
Ken Breedlove	yes		
Hubert Smigelski	yes		

TOPIC V – Discussion

Mr. Forgey gave a brief overview of the Scenic Byway designation project – the old Dixie Highway (Highway 3) to bring tourism to the region traveling to Florida through Georgia – Radium Springs, Plant Mitchell, Meigs, etc. All local governments have to sign on to a Corridor Management Plan.

A discussion followed with it being noted this is a slow moving process. It will start at the Bridge House and continue through Thomasville. It was stated that some concerns are the safety of the road, dangerous bridges, narrow shoulders, etc.

Ms. Newton stated the Mountain Bikers are organized and came before the Citizen Committee to express their interest in a bike trail by the river and asked to be placed on the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Aehle to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Maples. The meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.