

Traffic Committee
MINUTES
May 10, 2017

Committee Members

Present: Chairman Susan Ruinen, Vice Chairman Clyde Smith, Secretary Karen Hanner, Jerry Teal, Pat Melton, Rosemary Wilson, Frank Berry, Lieutenant Thomas Stowe, Transportation Director Randy Edwards, Parks and Sanitation Director Dan Walker, Town Engineer Rosemarie Nuzzo

Attending: Town Councilmember Ron Williams, Town Administrator Britt Poole, Chief Terrence Green, Major Matt Davis

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM in the Third Floor Conference Room by Chair Susan Ruinen.

April Minutes: Chairman Ruinen asked if there were any corrections or comments regarding the April 5, 2017 minutes. Randy Edwards made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Clyde Smith seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

County Update: Chairman Ruinen noted today is a Lexington County holiday.

Insync Signal: Transportation Director Randy Edwards stated work is nearing completion on Phase 1. He added he anticipates letting for Phase 2 in August.

Vision Plan: Town Administrator Britt Poole told the committee that the Town of Lexington's *Lexington Live* spring concert series at the Icehouse Amphitheater continues each Thursday evening through May 18. The Wine Walk will be held there on Saturday evening, May 13. The Farmer's Market is held each Saturday morning at Lexington Square.

Mr. Poole added the staff will revisit the Vision Plan in July.

Crosswalk at Old Chapin Rd: Transportation Director Randy Edwards stated a proposal was submitted to SCDOT for a push button pedestrian crossing and beacon due to the mid-block location.

Gibson Rd at S Lake Dr: Transportation Director Randy Edwards said this intersection is included in the list of projects under consideration for the Lexington Transportation Improvement Plan.

Hospitality Projects

Harmon Street: Transportation Director Randy Edwards reported the project planning status is at 60%.

Gateway at Corley Mill: Transportation Director Randy Edwards stated they are finalizing the fee structure and scope of the design.

Crossroads at US378 & 6: Transportation Director Randy Edwards noted the project will tie into the improvements at Harmon Street and extends from the Lexington Middle School to Herndon Chevrolet. They are researching locations in South Carolina that permit right turn on red when utilizing a double right turn.

One Way Pairs: Transportation Director Randy Edwards stated SCDOT has a final design exception regarding eastbound trucks turning right onto South Church Street under review. He showed the plans to the Committee (attached). Director Edwards pointed out the new traffic signal at South Church Street and Maiden Lane with an island and pedestrian phase to facilitate crossings from the parking areas to the Icehouse Amphitheater. At Maiden Lane and South Lake Drive there will be a crosswalk and free flow lane moving south.

Duffie Drive Sidewalks: Transportation Director Randy Edwards showed the committee plans for the Duffie Drive project (attached). Administrator Poole reported that the Lexington County subcommittee looking at the proposal approved turning over the road to the Town. Mr. Edwards stated they have the conditional encroachment permit and are ready to start the sidewalk work.

Local Transportation Improvement Plan: Administrator Poole said the plan was a topic for discussion at the retreat this summer to work on the Vision Plan. Chair Ruinen reminded committee members to send in any local traffic concerns to Randy Edwards.

Median US378 & Hope Ferry: Administrator Poole noted the timing was not ideal for installation of the median but the contractor is doing the work as part of the development requirements. Mr. Edwards added that the right in right out signage at the Hope Ferry Road Walgreens entrance signage is temporary and standard signage will be installed. Chair Ruinen said the median makes lane seems off-center when driving down US378.

Administrator Poole reported Council approval for the study of the Mineral Springs Road relocation. Having engineered plans will speed up construction if a funding source becomes available. Mr. Edwards added it could be solve multiple problems at those intersections which are number two and number four highest accident intersections.

TIF: The TIF District presentation will be added to the June Traffic agenda.

The next Traffic Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 28, 2017, at 8:00 AM in the Third Floor Conference Room at the Lexington Municipal Complex, 111 Maiden Lane, Lexington, SC.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Randy Edwards and seconded by Rosemary Wilson. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Hanner,

Approved By:

Susan Ruinen, Chair