

Traffic Committee
MINUTES
February 18, 2014

Committee Members

Present: Chairman Susan Ruinen, Vice-Chair Clyde Smith, Secretary Karen Hanner, Council Liaison Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel Livingston, Dan Walker, Randy Edwards, Larry Yon, Mark Churchill, Rosemary Wilson

Attending: Town Administrator Britt Poole, Planning, Building and Zoning Director John Hanson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:02 AM in the Eli Mack Room by Chair Susan Ruinen.

January Minutes: Chair Susan Ruinen asked if there were any corrections or comments regarding the January 2014 minutes. Dan Walker made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Rosemary Wilson seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Relocation Corley Mill Rd: Randy Edwards told the committee there are no new developments on the Corley Mill Road project.

Phase 1: Britt Poole reported the asphalt work has been done until later in March when better weather will permit completion. The mast arms are being installed with poles being set during the day and arms connected at night. He stated complaints are mostly about the signal timing which should improve when the loops are set.

Insync Signal: Britt Poole informed the committee that the intergovernmental agreement between SCDOT and the Town is with SCDOT. Work is being done on the engineering bid documents.

Vision Plan: Susan Ruinen said she has seen the progress on the project at 378 and I-20. Britt Poole told the committee bids for the demo at South Church and West Main have been opened. Hazel Livingston reported comments regarding the planted medians on the 100 block of East Main Street. Rosemary Wilson commented that removing the medians would change the vision of the downtown area. Susan Ruinen stated the median makes a mid-block crossing safer. Britt Poole added that work is being done to replace a water line along South Lake Drive which will be followed by the boring for the line under Main Street. He told the committee that the 14 Mile Creek Trail is under construction. There are plans to use some of the right of way at the intersection of Old Cherokee and North Lake Drive for trail use

parking. Susan Ruinen asked about other beautification projects. Hazel Livingston reported the Beautification Foundation is working on 22 locations for corridor improvements.

Resurfacing: Dan Walker stated the project is almost completed with work being done on a punch list.

Park Rd at Willowbrooke: Dan Walker added the plans for a sidewalk project along Park Road would improve the line of sight at the Willowbrooke subdivision.

Crosswalk at Old Chapin Rd: Susan Ruinen said SCDOT will look at both the Old Chapin Road crosswalk question and Park Road at Willowbrooke.

Penny Tax Projects: Britt Poole said the projects from the Town have been submitted to the Penny Tax Commission. A final list is expected in about two months.

Fort Street: A traffic count is underway at the intersection of Fort Street and East Main Street.

N Lake at Roundknob: Clyde Smith commented that on his way into town this morning traffic was backed up for blocks in the left lane as someone was blocking the lane to allow a vehicle to turn left onto Roundknob Road. Britt Poole added that there is a plan to construct a senior apartment complex on Northwood Road that could add to traffic using this intersection. He stated a median would be an improvement at this location. Susan Ruinen said she wanted to add this location to the next month's agenda.

The next Traffic Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at 8:00 AM in the Third Floor Conference Room at the Lexington Municipal Complex, 111 Maiden Lane, Lexington, SC.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Dan Walker seconded by Clyde Smith with unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Hanner,

Approved By:

Susan Ruinen, Chair