

Traffic Committee
MINUTES
January 20, 2015

Committee Members

Present:

Chairman Susan Ruinen, Vice-Chair Clyde Smith, Secretary Karen Hanner, Council Liaison Hazel Livingston, Bob Ferrell, Rosemary Wilson, Lt. Matt Davis, Lexington County Public Works Engineer Jeff McNesby, Town Engineer Rosemarie Nuzzo, Parks, Streets and Sanitation Director Dan Walker, Planning Commission Liaison Frank Berry

Attending:

Town Administrator Britt Poole, Planning, Building and Technology Director John Hanson, Assistant Chief of Police Jay Koon, Councilmember Ron Williams

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 AM in the Third Floor Conference Room by Chair Susan Ruinen.

December Minutes:

Chairman Ruinen asked if there were any corrections or comments regarding the December 2014 minutes. Clyde Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Bob Ferrell seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

N Lake at Roundknob:

Clyde Smith commented that problems at this intersection seem to be getting worse. Chairman Ruinen added that results of the left turn study are pending.

US 378 and Ginny Ln:

Director Hanson stated that a sign for the median at Saluda Point Court and Ginny Lane has been requested. Councilmember Williams added that a stop bar at that intersection could improve visibility for those wanting to turn in. Chairman Ruinen stated that the left turn is not clear and could be improved by extending the left turn lane further down.

Council Liaison Livingston discussed the problem of the no right on red from Ginny Lane to Highway 378 and the line of sight at the intersection being obstructed by a sign. Administrator Poole stated Randy Edwards would work with SCDOT to look at possible options.

Crosswalk Judicial Center:

Chairman Ruinen noted Randy Edwards was contacting SCDOT regarding a crosswalk at Maiden Lane on South Lake Drive. Dan Walker is investigating the cost of installing a gate at the mid-block sidewalk from Lexington Square.

Shoal Creek Subdivision: Lt. Matt Davis distributed copies of the speed study conducted in the Shoal Creek subdivision between December 17 and 24, 2014 (attached). Chairman Ruinen and committee members concurred that there doesn't seem to be a speeding problem at this time. Director Hanson agreed to respond to the email from the Shoal Creek HOA.

InSync Signal: Administrator Poole reported that bids on the first phase of the InSync system will open in February. Lexington County is contributing \$600,000 which will help with right of way acquisition. Signals in the second phase of installation have right of way issues to be worked out.

Vision Plan: Administrator Poole stated that bids on the Icehouse project are expected as soon as the plans are completed. The Old Mill Trail project is working on surveying and core samples. The adjacent property owners have been co-operative about the plans for a trail. Clyde Smith asked about parking for the trail. Mr. Poole reported the lower lot for the Old Mill will be general parking with some handicapped parking set aside in the upper parking lot. He added that plans for relocating the Utilities offices and storage buildings could open up the area on South Lake Drive for parking depending on Council's decision. Parking spaces for the 14 Mile Creek Trail will be provided on the parcel next to the Exxon station which SCDOT has deeded to the Town. It was the Old Cherokee roadbed before the intersection was realigned.

Resurfacing: Chairman Ruinen reported the problem in Woodcreek has been corrected. Dan Walker stated they are working to complete a problem on Palmer Drive.

Crosswalk at Old Chapin Rd: Administrator Poole stated there has not been a response from the property owners at this time.

George St at W Main: Chairman Ruinen asked about problems at this intersection. Mr. Poole reported a complaint about turning onto West Main from George Street since the cut through the Lexington County parking lot has been closed. Clyde Smith commented that drivers have learned to take alternate routes. The issue will be tabled to see if the situation there becomes more of a problem.

The next Traffic Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 17, 2015, 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 Clyde Smith and second by Bob Ferrell with unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Hanner,

Approved By: _____
Susan Ruinen, Chair

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