

**Traffic Committee**  
**MINUTES**  
*March 15, 2016*

**Committee Members**

**Present:**

Chairman Susan Ruinen, Vice-Chair Clyde Smith, Secretary Karen Hanner, Mark Churchill, Bob Ferrell, Larry Yon, Pat Melton, Parks and Sanitation Director Dan Walker, Lexington County Public Works Engineer Jeff McNesby, and Planning Commission Liaison Frank Berry

**Attending:**

Town Councilmember Ron Williams, Chief Terrence Green, Town Administrator Britt Poole, Lieutenant Thomas Stowe

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 AM in the Third Floor Conference Room by Chair Susan Ruinen. She told the Committee that Transportation Director Randy Edwards was unable to attend today's meeting.

**February Minutes:**

Chairman Ruinen asked if there were any corrections or comments regarding the February 23, 2016 minutes. Bob Ferrell made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Mark Churchill seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

**Insync Signal:**

Town Administrator Poole reported that work continues on the Dreher Street and North Lake Drive intersection. Fiber installation is underway at the Northside Boulevard intersection. There will be a meeting with SCDOT regarding right of way acquisition for Phase 2. Five signals are fully operational and a few more are operating for data gathering. The new signal heads being installed at the Middle School intersection are part of the equipment upgrades to meet SCDOT standards. Mr. Poole explained the importance of the intersection contributed to the decision to install equipment that could be later used in another location when the traffic circle project is constructed.

**Vision Plan:**

Town Administrator Poole told the Committee that construction on the Ice House Project is making progress. There was an RFP for the parcel behind the Shirey's building for construction of a two story building with restaurant, retail and condo space that is in negotiations now. There will be an announcement with details regarding the project in about a month.

The construction of the two Gateway Welcome signs is nearing completion at the intersection of Old Cherokee Road with North Lake Drive and on Augusta Road not far from the entrance to the Woodcreek subdivision. There are plans for two more signs, one at Highway 378 West and US 1 and another on SC 6 near I-20.

Work on the Old Mill Trail is on hold while waiting for information from FEMA.

Enhancements are underway on Main Street. The new trees have been planted and construction is underway on the brick planters.

**Crosswalk at Old Chapin Rd:** There is no new information at this time.

**Gibson at S Lake:** There is no new information at this time.

**Hospitality Projects:** Town Administrator Poole reported the One Way Pairs Project 30% completed in the design phase. Studies are underway at the Dreher Street, Highway 6 and US 378 location. The Corley Mill Road and Ginny Lane intersection is being studied for any other possible options.

**Intersection in Town:** Chair Susan Ruinen stated she had received an email from Mr. Steven Pstrek who expressed concern about the intersection of Augusta Road and Cedarcrest Road at the SAFE Credit Union location and the failure of traffic to yield the Right of Way. She added that the intersection was one of the first projects worked on by the Traffic Committee several years ago. Chief Green will pull any accident reports at that location in the last three years for the next Committee meeting.

### SCDOT Items

**US 378 at Old Cherokee:** There is no new information at this time.

**Fence at Butler St:** There is no new information at this time.

Clyde Smith reported a recent accident at the intersection of Old Cherokee Road and North Lake Drive. He commented that a left turn signal for traffic heading from the Publix towards Lexington could be needed. Britt Poole stated that several intersections are being studied for possible left turn signals. Susan Ruinen added the Adaptive System is more flexible and efficient for left turn arrows with the new system using a flashing yellow turn arrow on the signal head and giving a green left turn arrow only under certain conditions.

**The next Traffic Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 19, 2016, 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 Bob Ferrell and second by Clyde Smith with unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Hanner,

**Approved By:**

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**Susan Ruinen, Chair**

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