

**Traffic Committee**  
**MINUTES**  
*October 12, 2016*

**Committee Members**

**Present:** Chairman Susan Ruinen, Vice Chairman Clyde Smith, Secretary Karen Hanner, Jerry Teal, Rosemary Wilson, Pat Melton, Transportation Director Randy Edwards, Parks and Sanitation Director Dan Walker

**Attending:** Town Councilmember Ron Williams, Town Administrator Britt Poole

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 8:02 AM in the Third Floor Conference Room by Chair Susan Ruinen.

Chairman Ruinen asked if there was a lot of damage in the Town caused by Hurricane Matthew. Administrator Poole reported some trees were down but roads were cleared by mid-day on Saturday. Church Street was briefly blocked due to downed lines but the lines were not for electricity. Director Walker reported there was one downed power line on School Street. Administrator Poole added the diversion work being done on 12 Mile Creek was not adversely affected by the added flow in the creek. Councilmember Williams stated the rising water level didn't make it to the laundromat at the bottom of the hill.

**September Minutes:** Chairman Ruinen asked if there were any corrections or comments regarding the September 14, 2016 minutes. Dan Walker made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Rosemary Wilson seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

**County Update:** There was no report from Lexington County.

**Insync Signal:** Transportation Director Randy Edwards noted that the storm had caused some delays in the process of bringing the ten additional signals online. He added that a design study for the intersection at US378 and North Lake Drive at the Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant has changed plans to install mast arms at that location and cameras will be mounted on poles. Town Administrator Poole commented that this intersection has one of the highest accident counts inside the Town. Chair Ruinen stated she would be interested in seeing the accident counts on US 378 at the Lexington Middle School especially with the increase in problems caused by vehicles turning left during school hours.

**Vision Plan:** Town Administrator Poole announced the ribbon cutting event for the Icehouse Amphitheater will be on Thursday, October 13 at 10 am. The Lexington Chamber will host a Craft Beerfest on Saturday at 6 pm. The Town's first free concert, Downtown Jams with the Root Doctors, will be Thursday, October 27 at 6 pm. Clyde Smith asked about parking for the events. Mr. Poole responded parking is available at Town Hall and in the Lexington County lots. The South Church Street parking space will be available in time for the launch of events at the Amphitheater in the spring of 2017.

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

**Gibson Road at S Lake:** There is no new information regarding this intersection.

### Hospitality Projects

**One Way Pairs:** Transportation Director Randy Edwards stated they hope to have plan approval and start construction on the project by early 2017. The Town will build bump outs at the Butler Street and North Church Street intersection. He added the intersection of South Church Street and Hendrix Street is being studied for alignment. The new sidewalk on the Icehouse Amphitheater side of South Church Street will begin construction at night starting Sunday.

**Harmon Street:** Mr. Edwards reported the survey has been completed at this intersection.

**Gateway at Corley Mill Rd:** The traffic study for this intersection is at SCDOT. Two smaller projects are nearing design completion. Options include widening the off ramp onto US 378 and adding signage to direct traffic to a double left or shared right from Corley Mill Road. To improve Ginny Lane for a five lane section will require right of way from the Lullwater complex.

Chair Ruinen reported a request from Lexington District One security staff for a crosswalk on Tarrar Springs Road to their parking lot. Mr. Edwards noted there is not an obvious path or sidewalk for pedestrians to cross. Chair Ruinen suggested the use of a speed table which is a visual cue to drivers for a crosswalk. Mr. Edwards agreed that it could encourage pedestrians to cross at a single location.

Mr. Edwards reported the clean-up work at Gibson Pond has been completed. He added the storm caused minor damage to the temporary dike at the Old Mill but the creek was held in the creek bed. They are making modifications to the existing outlet under US1 to maintain the creek flow.

**The next Traffic Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9, 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 Clyde Smith and second by Rosemary Wilson with unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Hanner,

**Approved By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Susan Ruinen, Chair**

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