

DRAFT MINUTES
SPLOST 2016 CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
W. HAROLD PATE BUILDING
1725 REYNOLDS STREET, 2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019 AT 5:30 PM

Present: Lance Sabbe, Chairman
Philip Graitcer, Vice Chairman
John Dow
Bob Franklin
Jane Fraser
Ron Maulden
Robert Terjesen
Ronnie Perry
William Kitts

Also Present: Alan Ours, Glynn County Manager
Jim Drumm, City of Brunswick Manager
Todd Kline, Director of Engineering, Brunswick-Glynn County Joint Water and Sewer Commission (JWSC)
Jones Hooks, Executive Director, Jekyll Island Authority (JIA)
Dave Austin, Glynn County Public Works Director
Paul Andrews, Glynn County Engineer
Matthew Kent, Glynn County Public Information Officer

1. Discuss and approve the minutes of the February 12, 2019, meeting, subject to any necessary corrections REPORT

Ron Maulden made a correction to change his absence to being present at the previous meeting.

John Dow made a motion to approve the minutes. William Kitts seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Mason Waters discusses "A Banker Talks about Sea Level Rise"

Regional President of United Community Bank, Mason Waters, spoke on the effects of rising tide waters on the business community, the history of flood insurance, and how the banking industry is impacted by flooding.

Mr. Dow and Mr. Waters then discussed the use of SPLOST funds to combat sea level rise.

3. Discussion of Glynn County project updates [REPORT](#)

Glynn County Public Works Director, Dave Austin updated the SCOC on 2019 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) projects and the Frederica Rd. improvements. Jane Fraser asked about posts for pedestrian safety on the sidewalks near Community Church/ Wymberly Rd. Mr. Austin said that he would look into it then continued with updates on the Old Jesup reconstruction that with good weather is close to completion. Glynn County Engineer, Paul Andrews updated the SCOC on Canal Rd. to Glynco Pkwy and Dungeness land acquisition. Ronnie Perry asked about a GDOT median cut on Southport Pkwy at Hwy 17. Mr. Andrews stated that the proximity to the signalized intersection would make that difficult to get approved.

Mr. Austin continued to update on Pennick Rd. being pushed to 2020 stating that there are “staffing problems” which he later said is not a staffing problem, but there’s not enough time to design all of the projects at once and that the remaining money left in the dirt road paving section would pave as much of Pennick Rd. as possible. He continued to update on the Sea Island Rd. ditch piping project which may not require Department of Natural Resources (DNR) mitigation credits and that the Sea Island Rd. and Demere Rd. intersection is 90% designed.

Ms. Fraser asked about the bond for Demere Rd. turn lane and Mr. Andrews responded that attorneys are looking into where accountants have the money.

Mr. Austin spoke about intersection safety improvements at Sea Island Rd. and Frederica Rd., pedestrian island and marking, Wymberly Rd., and right of way acquisitions at Kings Way, Frederica Rd. and East Beach Causeway. Robert Terjesen asked when construction would begin on the Spur 25 at Altama. Mr. Austin responded that the plans are at 60% and that there are some right of way issues to address.

Mr. Andrews updated the SCOC on a sidewalk under contract at Gateway Center Blvd. and a sidewalk on Harry Driggers Blvd. that is under review with GDOT. Mr. Austin addressed a timing challenge with Swindell Construction, who have won bids on most of the sidewalk projects in the area including Ocean Blvd., Chapel Crossing Rd., Gateway Center Blvd. He spoke about widening and repairing sidewalks on Frederica Rd. He spoke about the Village Drainage Improvement progress and cooperation with JWSC.

Mr. Andrews updated on the College Park Drainage Phase 1 plans, a Chapel Crossing Drainage agreement with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), Somersby Point Drainage easements, and a Golden Isles Pkwy drainage concept design request for proposal submission.

Ms. Fraser asked how the South Palm Drainage project could use SPLOST 5 funds and Mr. Andrews said that money was specifically earmarked for that project in both SPLOST 5 and SPLOST 2016.

Mr. Austin finished up with the possible use of non-SPLOST funds for the Animal Control facility and the Veteran's Memorial Park that is almost ready to go out to bid.

4. Discussion of City of Brunswick project updates [REPORT](#)

City Manager, Jim Drumm updated on paving projects including L St. where historic brick pavers were found. Mr. Franklin asked about the L St. Liquors complaint in the Brunswick News and Mr. Drumm said the City of Brunswick were going to make signs telling people that the store is open. Lance Sabbe asked about a drainage project on Lanier Blvd. Mr. Drumm responded that some pipes had partially collapsed and the problem was corrected before repaving.

Mr. Drumm continued with sidewalk replacements, storm drainage improvements, and Mary Ross Park. Philip Graitcer asked if previous SPLOST funds would be used for Mary Ross and Mr. Drumm responded that only SPLOST 2016 funds would be used. Mr. Sabbe asked what the Urban Redevelopment Agency's (URA) role in the Mary Ross Park plan will be and Mr. Drumm responded that the URA will approve the plan before it goes to the City Commission.

Mr. Drumm continued with the Hwy. 17 infrastructure highway beautification permitting, the joint wayfinding signage project, trails, cemetery restoration, vehicle purchases, fire station improvements, and the closing of a portion of roadway in order to join the two halves of Wright Square. He continued with Sidney Lanier Park restroom and amphitheater addition, Overlook park pre-fabricated restrooms similar to some state parks, and Howard Coffin playground equipment. Finally, Mr. Drumm spoke about the Roosevelt Harris senior center addition.

5. Discussion of Brunswick-Glynn County Joint Water and Sewer project updates [REPORT](#)

6. JWSC Director of Engineering, Todd Kline update the SCOC on the selection of a design engineer for the North Mainland Sewer with an anticipated January 2020 date to begin construction to last about a year. Mr. Franklin asked about the odor at Frederica Rd. and Sea Island Rd. and Mr. Klein said that JWSC is working with Sea Island to correct the issue.

Ms. Fraser asked about sprinkler water going into the storm water system and Mr. Kline said that a smoke test would be conducted in the area in May that could solve some issues concerning that system. Mr. Kline spoke about the design contract on the pump station 4003 upgrade. He said that JWSC is attempting to use as much existing infrastructure as possible to save cost with construction to begin in October 2019.

7. Discussion of Jekyll Island Authority project updates

Executive Director of the Jekyll Island Authority (JIA), Jones Hooks updated the SCOC on the two phases of residential paving and the Corsair parking lot that have been completed and the JIA plans to put the 2.4 miles of Phase 3 out to bid this year. Once enough funds are collected Phase 4 will then be put out bid.

Mr. Dow asked if JIA, Glynn County, and the City of Brunswick could get a better price on asphalt if each bought it together.

8. Selection of dates for future meetings to be held every 60 days

Mr. Dow made a motion for the date of a future meeting to be August 28, 2019. Mr. Sabbe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Annual report presentation

The SCOC spoke about how to present the projects as completed or in progress.

Mr. Dow made a motion that Mr. Sabbe and Glynn County Public Information Officer, Matthew Kent take proposed report with specific attention to completed and in progress projects as appropriate then email the paragraph to the SCOC. Mr. Graitcer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Graitcer suggested that the numbers be used as of April 15, 2019 and that the report be addressed to the Citizens of Glynn County.

Mr. Dow voted to adjourn. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Lance Sabbe, Chairman
SPLOST Citizen's Oversight Committee
Glynn County, Georgia

Attest:

Matthew Kent, Public Information Officer