

**Newberry County Transportation Committee**  
**Minutes**  
**August 15, 2023**

**Present:** Mr. Arnold Hiller, Mr. Henry Reeder, Mr. Tim Carroll, Mr. Glenn Hamm, Mr. Randy Cannon

**Absent:** Mr. Wayne Pratt, Mr. O. L. Johnson

**Others in Attendance:** Mr. Mike Pisano, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Gunter, Mr. Keith Suber, Mr. Jeff Shacker, and Ms. Teresa Ball

**Call to Order-Invocation**

Mr. Carroll called the meeting to order, and Mr. Hamm led the invocation.

**1. Additions, Deletions, and Adoption of the Agenda**

A motion was made to approve the agenda for the August 15, 2023, meeting. Motion was second and all were in favor.

**2. Approval of Minutes from Prior Meeting**

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the meeting held on June 20, 2023, with the correction that Mr. Carroll reported the financial report not Mr. Cannon in paragraph 2 and 3. Motion was second and all were in favor.

**3. Financial Report from Treasurer**

Mr. Cannon reported that the cash balance for June 30, 2023, was \$4,242,122.46. Funds received were \$174,928.57. Total withdrawals were \$43,478.55. The total cash balance is \$4,373,572.48. Total funds committed are \$3,785,481.29 and the uncommitted balance is \$588,091.20.

Mr. Cannon reported that the cash balance for the proviso (118.18) funds was \$(10,200.00). The total funds received were \$10,200. The total cash balance is \$10,200.00.

Mr. Cannon reported that the cash balance for proviso (118.19) was \$3,997,452.03. Funds received were \$4,440.57. The total cash balance is \$4,001,892.60. Total funds committed are \$3,964,100.00 and the uncommitted balance is \$37,792.60.

Motion made to accept as information only. Motion second and all were in favor.

**4. Old Business/New Business**  
**Old Business**

Mr. Carroll said that the bid for the big project was going out at the end of November. The process has already started. We should have an engineering estimate in the first week of September. If the estimate is over what we have allocated, he will send us a letter stating that we need to allocate more money. If the bid comes back too high, we only have a week to respond. I should have the estimated cost by the next meeting.

Mr. Carroll said that the Brown Chapel project was on track to be bid out by the end of the year and the Peak project the first quarter of next year.

Mr. Pisano said that the county has secured funding for the Mawson's Way extension in the amount of \$2.6 million. The total price stands at \$3.3 million. We are looking at another \$800,000 for the repaving and patching of the existing roadway. That brings us to \$1.1 million. We have requested \$1.5 million. With this project being a little further out, we are comfortable with leaving it at \$1.5 million.

Mr. Carroll stated that the committee agreed to reimburse the county \$500,000 a year for anything over \$2.1 million. The county has to spend its money first.

Mr. Carroll asked when the project would be started.

Mr. Shacker said that the next step would be to go to the county council to get a motion to proceed. We already have funding secured. They will have to finish the design work. The engineer is about halfway through. Once the design is finished, it is just a matter of time before bidding the project out. The amount of the project has a 10% contingency built in and \$100,000 for engineering fees.

Mr. Carroll said that the paperwork for the new committee member, Mr. Werts, hasn't went through. It was sent to the wrong place. They are going to try to find us new members since we are two short.

## **New Business**

### **5. Public Works Report**

#### **A. Mike Pisano, Newberry County Public Works Director**

Mr. Pisano said he would like to present a project to the committee to consider for next month. In Whitmire the county is sponsoring a CDBG grant for sidewalks starting at Suber Town Road, Gary's Street and ending at Lowry. The project itself is \$521,000. We are requesting funds to match in the amount of \$50,000. That would take care of the entire project.

Mr. Carroll said that the committee will put this on the agenda for the next meeting.

#### **B. Jeremy Knight, SC Department of Transportation**

Mr. Knight said that he has a request for programming for the next meeting, so this is just for consideration today. The request is for catch basins and sidewalks for ten locations around the county. The estimate is \$46,262.50.

Mr. Knight said that some of the other projects they are working on are Bethel Church Road. They started resurfacing today. They will be doing some full depth patching and widening of the shoulders.

Mr. Knight said that there is a request to get the railroad crossing repaired on Kendall Road and College Street. This should start on August 22.

#### **C. Kip Gunter, City of Newberry Public Works Director**

Mr. Gunter said he may present at the next meeting a request for funds for stripping on Main Street. I don't have the estimate yet.

### **6. Public Comments**

### **7. Executive Session**

### **8. Consideration of Actions on Matters Discussed in Executive Session**

### **9. Adjournment**

Motion made to adjourn. Motion second and all were in favor.

Teresa Ball

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Teresa Ball, Newberry County Public Works Approved