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September 19, 2012

Transportation Advisory Meeting

Present: Mr. Dennis Webb, Mr. Tommy Blewett, Mr. Alan Zipperer, Rep. Jon Burns, Mr. Phil Kieffer, Mr. John Henry, Mr. Wesley Corbitt, Mr. Brett Bennett, Mr. Brad Saxon, Ms. Maggie Yoder, Ms. Dina King, Mr. David Crawley and Mr. Toss Allen

Meeting Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:39 a.m. by Mr. Webb.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Mr. Blewett and seconded by Mr. Bennett to approve the agenda. The motion was carried by all.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from July 17, 2012 was made by Mr. Zipperer, seconded by Mr. Blewett, and carried by all.

Old Business:

Item 1: Discussion of On Going Transportation Projects

Mr. Saxon discussed the status of on-going DOT projects. The right-of-way acquisition for the State Route 26/US 80 @ Ogeechee River and Overflow project is underway and the final field plan review is being conducted today. Funding for the project will be authorized by the end of 2012 to insure that a Federal Earmark isn't lost. The concept report for I-16 @ CR 310/Old River Rd. Interchange is under review.

New Business:

Item 1: Transportation Priority List

Mr. Crawley stated that staff wanted to receive input from the Transportation Advisory Board on how our priority list may be affected or any changes that may need to be made to the list due to the T-SPLOST referendum not passing. He stated that was his intent was to continue to move forward with the I-16 @ CR 310/Old River Rd. Interchange project as we have been since the Federal funding is still available and the County can provide the remaining funding.

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There was discussion on ways to change the delivery method for the Effingham Parkway/Georgia Portway project, phasing the project differently and constructing a two lane road on a four lane right-of-way by utilizing County funds. Mr. Webb stated that he felt that the IDA Board would be supportive of a two lane roadway that advanced the project and provided access to the Research Forrest Tract. Mr. Corbitt stated that projects with high priority should be funded first since history would indicate that we will not collect the full 70 million dollars allowed to be collected by the current SPLOST referendum. After much discussion Mr. Blewett made a motion to purchase a right-of-way of sufficient width to accommodate a full four lane section from Blue Jay Road going south and to construct a two lane road as long as nothing is due that would jeopardize future State of Federal funding.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Zipperer and carried by all.

Item 2: Meeting Schedule

After discussion, the Board decided to continue to meet monthly.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. Webb to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:46 a.m.