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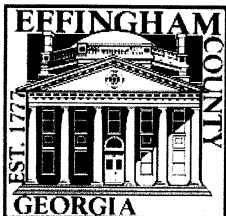
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Present: Lamar Allen, Tommy Blewett, Tim Callanan, Wesley Corbitt, Chelsie Fernald, Jason Fondren, Mark Lastinger, Jonathan Lynn, Brian Mundy, Katie Proctor, Angela Stanley, Alan Zipperer and Marie Todd.

Meeting Called to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mr. Zipperer at 9:35 a.m.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was unanimously approved with a motion by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Corbitt.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes were approved with a motion by Mr. Blewett and seconded by Mr. Allen.

Old Business:

Katie Proctor with GDOT reviewed the preconstruction projects status report. Project ID 13804-SR 119 Ogeechee River & Overflow Bridge replacement - Next milestone is FFPR and is anticipated in June. Project ID 19612-SR 17 @ Marlow Road/Wesley Drive Roundabout - Schedule Review Committee planning to meet in August. Project ID 18234-Stillwell Road @ Ebenezer Creek Bridge replacement - In early concept. Project ID 511250-I-95 @ Savannah River @ South Carolina Line Bridge replacement - In concept. Project ID 19658-SR 26/US 80 @ CR 311/Sandhill Road - Roundabout - In concept. Project ID 18023-SR 30 @ CS 673/Hodgeville Road - Roundabout - In concept. Project ID 6700 - Effingham County Parkway - Active construction 20% complete. Completion date is Spring of 2025. Mr. Callanan asked in regards to Project ID 18023-SR 30 @ CS 673/Hodgeville Road, if the interim traffic signal was still on track to being installed this Summer. Ms. Proctor stated that the installation will begin the week of May 22.

Paving Projects (Non-TSPLOST) - LMIG 2022— Completed. Sandhill park entrance and paving layer on Cornith Church Road was added and has also been completed.

LMIG 2023: Coming up. Mr. Callanan stated that coming up for approval at this evening's Board of Commissioner's meeting is safety action plan funds to be used for signage and stripping.

TSPLOST 2020: Mr. Callanan stated that the resurfacing projects are completed with the exception of Hodgeville Road. The big projects remaining are the intersections, Courthouse Road realignment and the Goshen Road widening. A traffic study has been completed on Goshen Road to a.) see where to add the third lane and b.) where to add the excel and decel lanes. Anticipating to present to the Board of Commissioner's in June.

FDR Roads: Had some issues on Mt. Pleasant Road, Old Augusta Road and Archer Road. Crews were out on Monday, May 15 closing roads and doing repairs in regards to issues on some of the chip seal roads. Crews will be out later this week on Archer Road to finish the chip seal portion. Archer Road will be added to LMIG 2023 for asphalt overlay.

TSPLOST Intersections: The two projects we are working on to get out for bid this Summer are Hodgeville Road/Kolic Helme Road roundabout and Hodgeville Road/Goshen Road roundabout.

Effingham Parkway: The County is working on the addition of 3 roundabouts, Goshen Road, Gateway Parkway and Blue Jay Road. The paperwork has been sent to GDOT.

Courthouse Road Realignment: Mr. Callanan stated that due to more parcels being developed in this area, the County has been working with the developers and the new owner of the mobile home park on the realignment existing of a roundabout at McCall Road/Dasher Drive and either a roundabout or a 3-way stop at Courthouse Road Extension and Baker Pond depending on cost considerations. Mr. Callanan stated that he feels this will help with the traffic issue in this area, but what would really help is if GDOT provided a solution for the intersection of GA Hwy 21 and McCall Road, which the County feels the volume of traffic merits. Ms. Proctor stated she would check into it.

Other Projects: Mr. Callanan stated that we are wrapping up the Goshen Road study and working on each network of the East-West Corridor. Old Augusta Road Corridor study has been completed and we are looking at funding sources to implement it with TSPLOST being the big one and having the industrial properties contribute as well.

New Business:

TSPLOST 2023: Mr. Callanan stated that the County held their kick-off meeting with the three cities. Mr. Callanan will be meeting with the County Attorney to review the draft of the updated IGA and referendum language that was discussed at the kick-off meeting. Mr. Callanan hopes to send something out by weeks end. This will begin a two-step process of 1.) The three cities and the county to come up with their project list and 2.) Each entity to vote on the IGA once they have their project list attached to it. Then it would be forwarded to the Chairman of the Elections Committee and the new Director of Elections as early as possible.

GA Hwy 21: Mr. Corbitt asked about GDOT's future plans of making Ga Hwy 21 six-lanes particularly between Pt. Wentworth and Rincon. Ms. Proctor was not aware of any widening projects in that area, but she would check into it.

Adjournment:

Mr. Zipperer called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Allen made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Mr. Blewett. The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.