

Henderson County
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
May 28, 2009

The Transportation Advisory Committee met on May 28, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. in the King Street Meeting Room at 100 N. King Street, Hendersonville. Members present were Chairman Jim Crafton; Eddie Henderson of Fletcher; David Jones, at-large; Renee Kumor, at-large; and Barbara Volk, City of Hendersonville. Staff members included Anthony Starr, Planning Director; Hope Bleecker, Transportation Planner; and Kathleen Scanlan, Secretary. Also present were Jamie Wilson, NCDOT Project Construction Engineer. Terry Hicks, Keith Maddox and Roger Snyder were absent.

Approval of Draft Minutes

Chairman Crafton called the meeting to order and asked for the approval of March 26, 2009 minutes. Committee member Renee Kumor made a motion to approve the minutes and Don Farr seconded the motion.

Chairman's Report

Jim Crafton stated that regarding the transportation section of the Etowah-Horseshoe Small Area Plan that was heard at March's meeting, he said that he sent a letter on behalf of the Committee to state that the committee had no objections to the draft recommendations as presented and look forward to receiving a final recommendation. He also mentioned that he suggested with regard to these small area plans, to give the planning areas a voice at the TAC meeting through public input rather than having to elect more members on our Committee.

Staff Report

Ms. Bleecker reviewed the STPDA announcements dealing with the ARRA Funded Projects (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act -Stimulus). Ms. Bleecker added that the TIP funded projects in Henderson County's Transit Center will be supplemented through federal grants. Mr. Starr wanted to stress the importance to all the municipal members that it is important to attend the June 18, 2009 MPO meeting as well as Commissioners McGrady and Moyer. Ms. Bleecker also stated that she would send out an e-mail to all MPO representatives on behalf of this Committee stressing the importance of attending.

DOT Update

Mr. Wilson updated the Committee members on the following projects:

The stimulus project on US 176 is approved from the intersection, south of town, where US 176 intersects with US 25, all the way down US 176 until it meets up with the US 25 connector.

US 25 Connector – Has been contracted

US 64 West - Completed in 2011

Concrete project on I-26 - Continuous-will be completed soon

Upward Road – To begin March 2010

NC 191 – NCDOT will send detailed plans to Committee members for discussion at July meeting

Old Spartanburg Highway – Bridge Project under Construction

Crail Farm Bridge in Flat Rock –Out to Contract, will be completed on or before Fall 2009

Howard Gap Road – On Hold due to Funds

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Municipal Issues

Ms. Barbara Volk informed the Committee members that the City's Comprehensive Plan has been approved and will send the link on the internet so everyone can access it.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:35 pm.

Jim Crafton, Chairman