

**HEART OF GEORGIA ALTAMAHA  
TIA CITIZENS REVIEW PANEL MEETING  
MINUTES  
December 10, 2015**

Members Present

Billy Trapnell, Mayor, City of Metter  
Roy Herrington, Baxley Georgia  
Homer Garnto, Adrian, Georgia  
H.G. Yeomans, Swainsboro, Georgia

Staff Present

Brett Manning  
Rafael Nail  
Michelle Brown

Guests

Kelvin Mullins, TIA Administrator, GDOT  
Tony Collins, Local Liaison, GDOT  
Kenneth Franks, GDOT TIA Office  
Shrujal Amin, GDOT TIA Office  
Eric Wilkinson, GDOT TIA Office  
Carter Crawford, Interim City Manager, City of  
Metter  
Bill Lindsey, County Administrator, Candler  
County  
Reid Lovett, Hofstadter & Associates

## CALL TO ORDER

The TIA Citizens Review Panel meeting for December 10, 2015, was held at City Hall in Metter, Georgia. The meeting was called to order at 11:01 A.M. by Chairman Billy Trapnell, Mayor of Metter. Chairman Trapnell welcomed everyone to the meeting and called on Homer Garnto, to give the invocation.

## INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Chairman Trapnell opened the meeting by having each person present introduce themselves.

## APPROVAL OF AUGUST 27, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Trapnell stated that the Minutes for the August 27, 2015 TIA Citizens Review Panel Meeting had been mailed out to all Members and he would entertain a motion for approval. A motion was made by Roy Herrington and seconded by H.G. Yeomans to approve the Minutes, as mailed. The motion passed with no opposition.

## REVIEW OF YEAR END REPORT ON HOGARC REGION PROJECTS

Kelvin stated that this would be the first meeting without Mr. Dover and he would like to introduce some of the new faces to the department. He stated that Kenneth Franks has been with them for about six months and he would be working on the non-regional local projects for the Heart of Georgia Altamaha (HOGARC) area. Eric Wilkinson has been with them for around a month and he will be handling the regional projects for the HOGARC area. He stated that they are both doing a great job.

Kelvin then went over the year-to-date collections. For the HOGARC region the total collections are just over \$79 million. With around \$20 million of that being discretionary money which is distributed to all HOGARC local governments. He explained that this was a great benefit. He stated that just over \$59 million goes to the projects. He explained that collections are low and have been low since the beginning. He let them know that they have been steadily low so there have been no surprises. Kelvin stated with all that in mind a few weeks ago they held a Risk Workshop. He stated that his office looked at all the collections coming in and all the project budgets and how they are scheduled to make sure at the end there is no gap. He stated the outlook is good with delivering all of the projects. He also let them know that they have a new website that is better than before, everyone seems to like it.

He let them know that on December 31<sup>st</sup> we will be at the end of Band 1. For the HOGARC area there are 204 projects with 111 projects local let. He stated they appreciate the local governments delivering there projects and will continue to give priority to local let projects. The 204 projects for Band 1 are just over \$66 million. He let them know that as far as budgets and bids they are around \$6 million under.

## CITIZEN REVIEW PANEL DISCUSSION ON COMPLETED PROJECTS AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Tony Collins explained to the Panel that once the projects are let to construction his role is to monitor these projects to make sure they stay within the budget. He also let them know that all projects in Band 1 are on schedule. He stated all Band 1 projects would be let by December 31, 2015. Currently, there have completed 42 GDOT let projects, one blended project, and 32 local deliveries. He then went through the 2015 Completed Projects Report and stated how many projects had been completed for each local government. He then asked if anyone had any questions. There was some discussion on how the project costs were coming in compared to the original estimated costs. He stated that right now they are getting good prices. He let them know that with asphalt prices coming in at around \$75-\$80 a ton the prices would remain lower.

Kenneth Franks went over Band 2 projects. He let them know that we have 277 non regional projects. Out of the 277 projects they have already received 88 local applications and out of those applications 85 have already been approved. He informed them that GDOT noticed that there was a gap in letting cycles so they decided to let some of those in January, February, and March. He let them know they have 35 resurfacing jobs with 5 in January for Dodge County; 13 projects in Baxley; 3 projects in Johnson County; 1 project in Chauncey; 3 projects for Cadwell; 3 projects Dexter; 1 project for Montrose; 2 projects for Rentz; and 3 projects for Rochelle in March. He let them know that as far as Band 3 goes it was a wait and do, it was still too early to report.

Eric Wilkinson reported on Regional Projects. He let them know that for Band 2 there are four projects, one local let and three GDOT let. SR 87 widening from Log Cabin to south of 257 in Dodge County is currently in final design with a current let date of January, 2017 it is a blended project with federal monies and has a little over \$6 million TIA budget. Daisy Nevels over the Canoochee River is currently in concept phase with a let date of June, 2017 with all TIA money and a GDOT let project. A bridge replacement for SR 135 over the Altamaha River is currently in concept phase with a let date of October, 2018 and is a blended project. The local let project is Hillcrest Parkway in Dublin with a current let date of November, 2017. They have already issued a notice to proceed on this project. He also let them know they have two Band 3 projects. SR 23, 57 passing lanes from Glennville to Reidsville which is currently in procurement for design. The other project is a blended project the widening of U.S. 1 north of Williams Creek to Green Oak Road which is currently in preliminary design with a current let date of December, 2018.

Tony Collins added that Wayne County was delivering one of their projects SR 169 railroad overpass and roadway improvement and they have issued a construction notice to proceed.

Kelvin then went over the annual reports that have to be submitted.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Roy Herrington informed the Panel that a public hearing was being held tonight to discuss the SR 135 bridge replacement in Jeff Davis at Towns Bluff. There was some brief discussion about this project.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Mayor Trapnell thanked everyone and wished them a Merry Christmas. A motion was made by Roy Herrington and seconded by H.G. Yeomans to adjourn the TIA Citizens Review Panel Meeting at 11:40 A.M. The vote was accepted unanimously.