

November 9, 2020
Infrastructure Surtax
Advisory Committee
Meeting

The regular meeting of the Okaloosa County Infrastructure Surtax Advisory Committee was called to order at 10:02 A.M. in the Okaloosa County Administration Building, Board of County Commissioners Training Room. Members present were Mr. Matthew Turpin, District 4 member (Vice Chairman); Brig. Gen. (Ret) Robert Buhrow, District 2 member; and Mr. Jim Foreman, District 5 member. Also present were: Mr. John Hofstad, County Administrator; Mr. Craig Coffee, Deputy County Administrator, Operations; Mr. Jason Autrey, Public Works Director; Mr. Jeff Hyde, Purchasing Department Manager; Mr. Steve Schmidt, Surtax Project Manager, and Mr. Jordan Steffens, Clerk of Court's Finance Director.

Opening Remarks and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened by Mr. Turpin and Mr. Hofstad stated that the meeting had been properly noticed in accordance with section 286.011, Florida Statutes on 11/04/2020.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Mr. Foreman made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes as written, seconded by Brig. Gen (Ret) Buhrow. The motion was approved unanimously (3-0).

Public Comments

Dave Skarzynski expressed concerns regarding the Dog purchase for the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Department. The concern was that an additional dog was purchased that what was approved using the \$72,000.00 allotted. His concern was that they spent funds that he felt should go back to the reserve. Mr. Hofstad explained the BC expectation when approving a budgeted amount. An Agenda Request will be created moving the \$2,000.00 back to reserve and the purchase of the additional dog.

Presentations

None.

Projects List Update

Discussion regarding the report format regarding the overage and short falls of spending approved budgeted amounts. It was requested that it remain on the summary sheet.

Annualized Funding Projection

SW Crestview Bypass Funding Summary

Discussion as to where we are on the project. Jason Autrey advised that the awarded contract to Anderson Columbia should be approved by the BCC at the 11/17/20 meeting.

Agenda Items and Discussion

A. Project numbers have been added and it has been vetted by the Clerk of Courts making it ready for BCC approval.

Motion made by Brig. Gen. (Ret) Buhrow to present to the BCC. Seconded by Jim Foreman, motion passed unanimously.

B. Surtax Project Coordinator position has been offered and accepted to John Parisi. Mr. Parisi will start on November 16, 2020.

Office of Management and Budget

No report

Clerk of Circuit Court and Comptroller

Mr. Steffens provided an overview of the Surtax Summary Financial Report stating that the final numbers are in for September 2020. FY20 total revenue was over estimated budget by \$16,372,725.

Discussion regarding format of future summary reports and whether to consolidate previous years or just show the last and current year. Mr. Turpin requested to show prior, current and since beginning information.

Mr. Foreman requested that the Annual Report is posted to the County's website.

Public Comments

None

Scheduled Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 10:00, am, Okaloosa County Administration Building, 1st Floor Training Room.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:30am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Cook
Public Works Administrative Manager