

May 12, 2022
Infrastructure Surtax Advisory Committee
Meeting

The regular meeting of the Okaloosa County Infrastructure Surtax Advisory Committee was called to order at 10:00 A.M. in the Okaloosa County Administration Building, 1st Floor Training Center Room. Members present were: Matthew Turpin, Chairman and District 4 representative; Hannah Wilbur, District 3 representative; Jim Foreman, District 1 representative: and Brig. General (Retired) Robert Buhrow, District 2 representative. Also present were: Craig Coffey, Deputy County Administrator; Jason Autrey, Public Works Director; Scott Bitterman, County Engineer; Stephen Blalock, Design Engineer; Faye Douglas, Office of Management and Budget Director; Jordan Steffens, Clerk of Court's Chief Financial Officer, Nick Tomecek, Public Information Coordinator; Carisse LeJeune, Surtax Project Manager; Patty Cook, Public Works Administrative Manager.

Opening Remarks and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened by Chairman Turpin and Craig Coffey stated that the meeting had been properly noticed in accordance with section 286.011, Florida Statutes on April 22, 2022.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Mr. Foreman made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Buhrow. Approved unanimously 4-0.

Public Comments

None.

Presentations

Jason Autrey welcomed and introduced Carisse LeJeune the new Surtax Project Manager to the Committee. Ms. LeJeune recapped her experience for the Committee.

Project Updates

- A. Project Update List- not much to update since the last meeting:
 - a. 6th Avenue, Shalimar-we have an agenda item a little later
 - b. Southwest By-pass- NickTomecek has an update via video narrated by Jason Autrey showing the progress. Project is still slightly ahead of schedule.
 - c. Redwood Sidewalk – Contractor has completed the sidewalk work we are in the process of closing the contract out, job looks great, one concern from citizen that we are taking care of in house.
 - d. Dirt to Pave (Dirt Road Stabilization project)- We are gearing up for the second round of substantial placements of lime rock stabilization and chip seal however we are unable to get some of the materials at this time. Lime rock should be in later this week
 - e. Lake Lorraine Stormwater Improvements is currently out for bids will talk about it later.
 - a. Staff is actively pursuing property acquisitions, easements and/or right of entry for the following projects: Beachview Drive Drainage, John King Road, Overbrook Stormwater

Improvements, Millside Roadway Improvements, Lake Lorraine Stormwater Improvements and West 98 Stormwater Improvements.

B. Annualized Funding Projection- No changes since our last presentation from last meeting. We are going through the budget process. We are still thinking forward about years 8, 9 and 10. We ask that if you see something as you are driving around please let us know

C. SW Crestview Bypass –

Jason shared that 90% of the project is where you can't see it. Mr. Tomecek share a 90 second video of the progress being made on the project.

DOT kicked off their project with the I-10 interchange, the round-about is part of this project. It will be expansive and huge and will scare people but it will work. The interstate will go over the realigned roads. DOT will shift the interstate traffic to build the bridge and interchange and then shift the traffic back.

Lots going on out the and it is amazing, please let Jason, Scott or Carisse know if you want to go out there and we will set up a tour.

Discussion of the court cases that are ongoing for acquiring land for this project

Agenda Items and Discussion

Lake Lorraine Stormwater Improvement Project- We are asking for approval or disapproval for surtax funding for construction of the Lake Lorraine Stormwater Improvement for a total project amount of

\$2,434,648.00 to include funding for CEI, project administration, contingency, and post-award design support.

The following amounts are needed to move forward with the project:

\$2,109,648.00 for construction
\$200,000 for contingency
\$30,000 for project administration
\$70,000 for CEI
\$25,000 for post-award design support
Total amount \$2,434,648

To date, \$873,914 remains from the original \$1,000,000 allocated towards the project, leaving a needed allocation of \$1,560,734.

Mr. Foreman made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Buhrow. Approved unanimously 4-0.

6th Street Stormwater Project- We are requesting additional funding (\$80,000.00) for extended CEI on project.

The work has progressed much slower than originally anticipated as we have found the water table at 3- 4 feet; we have to go down 15' to install the pipes. Additionally, it is a very constrained site and we have been required to use a trench box to be able to safely perform the work without completely destroying the street and adjoining yards. There are numerous utility crossings which have necessitated calls to the Water and Sewer Dept. and Gulf Power/FPL to relocate the lines further slowing progress. As a result, we have expanded all the CEI funds award as TO #9 to contract C19-2747. We are requesting additional CEI for 15 days (4hours/day) through completion. The 150 days is based on our estimate of progress and remaining work.

Ms. Wilburn made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Foreman. Approved unanimously 4-0.

Office of Management and Budget

Faye Douglas provided an update on the status of Infrastructure Surtax revenues and budget. \$9.3 million has been paid which is about 43% of the budgeted 19.3 million.

Clerk of Court and Comptroller

Mr. Steffens discussed the Summary Financial Report. Received almost 9.2 million in surtax receipts about 10% over last year. To date we have brought in about 57million. We currently have 48 million in cash reserves.

Public Comments

None.

Schedule Next Meeting-

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 14 at 10am in the Okaloosa County Administration Building, 1st Board Chambers.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:48 A. M.

Respectfully

Submitted,

Patty Cook

Public Works Administrative Manager