

CHESTER COUNTY GATEWAY DISTRICT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING FEBRUARY 6, 2019

Steering Committee Members Present

Sylvia Jennings, Chairman
John Agee, Vice-Chairman
Ed Sharpe, Town of Richburg
Fred Castles, Chester Metropolitan District
Hal Crenshaw, Crenshaw Oil
Jim Bennett, Spratt Savings & Loan
Philip Thompson-King, Chester County Wastewater Recovery
Walt Whitman, MCON Construction

Steering Committee Members Absent

Dr. Angela Bain, Chester County School District Bhavin Patel, Secretary Brian Singleton, TruVista Dilip Patel, Dilip Family FLP, LLC Tony Pope, First Citizen Bank

Others Present

Brian Garner, The News and Reporter
Jeff Burgess, Chester County Economic Development
Shane Stuart, Chester County Supervisor
Cole McKinney, Catawba Regional COG

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Sylvia Jennings, Chairman. Chairman Jennings welcomed the Steering Committee members and asked if anyone had any revisions or edits to the minutes from the February 6, 2019 meeting. Walt Whitman made a motion to approve the minutes and Ed Sharpe seconded the motion. Following discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

The first item on the agenda was the Committee Updates. Hal Crenshaw, Beautification Committee Chair stated the Chester Development Foundation had given a notice to proceed on the landscaping lighting project.

Cole McKinney stated a Gateway District Lighting Plan project summary was submitted to South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) on February 5, 2019 for consideration of eligibility for a Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) application. The proposed project is to install 42 Roadway LED lights along Highway 9 between Edgeland Highway and the entrance of Giti Tire. Upon determination of eligibility by SCDOT, the County Council will have to consider the TAP match and monthly operating expenses prior to a TAP application being prepared and submitted to SCDOT.

Ms. Jennings stated she had discussed with SCDOT about cleaning the litter around Exit 65. She stated that local organizations could participate in keeping the area clean and options to consider include Keep America Beautiful and Adopt a Highway programs. Ms. Jennings made a motion to organize a project clean up and explore implementation alternatives for review at a future meeting and Ed Sharpe seconded the motion. Following discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

There was some discussion about the need for two additional Steering Committee members. The Steering Committee members agreed to have three names at an upcoming meeting to forward to the County Council for consideration.

The Gateway Boulevard Designation was discussed as a memorial designation or a name change. Jim Bennett made a motion to change the name of Highway 9 from the J.A. Cochran Bypass to Fishing Creek officially to the Gateway Boulevard and the motion was seconded by Ed Sharpe. Phillip Thompson-King made a motion to table the motion on the floor until additional discussions are complete with local jurisdictions. Fred Castles seconded the motion to table. Following discussion, the motion to table passed 7-1.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:45 AM.

Approved

Sylvia Jennings, Chairman

Submitted by

Bhavin Patel, Secretary