



# Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes of the January 7, 2014 Meeting

6:00 PM

Administrative Services Building

130 Blythe Drive

Indian Trail, NC 28027

## Attendees:

Chip Long, Chair

Dan Jencka, Vice Chair

Mike Knight

Roland Geoffroy

Michelle Simmons

Chris Simmons

Scott Kaufhold, Director of Engineering & Public Works

Adam McLamb, Civil Engineer I

Keith Sorensen, Staff Liaison

Opening Business

Public Comment

Project Updates

Traffic Calming Update

Land Development Standards Update

General Discussion/Topics for next meeting

Adjourn

## **I. Introductory Business**

- The meeting was called to order by Chair Long at 6:00PM and the October minutes approved.
- Mr. Geoffroy opened the Public Discussion period asking if the speed limit could be reduced on Wesley Chapel Rd between Old Charlotte Hwy and Rogers Rd from 45 to 35mph. Mr. McLamb replied that the Town has already put this request to NCDOT but it was denied, but that we can revisit the issue if Council approves.
- Mrs. Simmons asked about the DOT presentation to Town Council on the Hwy 74 Corridor upgrades. Mr. Kaufhold replied that Council approved the Superstreet concept for the corridor and that DOT anticipates construction to begin in about one year, though Mr. Kaufhold warned it may likely be longer than that. He also stated that staff will provide the TAC with copies of the plans once they are made available.
- Mr. Knight inquired on the status of the Monroe Bypass. Mr. Kaufhold replied that Boggs Paving is still the contractor and DOT expects construction to begin in the near future.

## **II. Project Updates**

Mr. McLamb provided updates on the following projects:

- Unionville-Indian Trail Rd sidewalk is 85% complete.
- Rogers Rd sidewalk will go out to bid in the Spring.
- Chestnut Square park is about 20% complete.
- Chestnut Pkwy is 90% complete of the first segment, Phase 1A, from Matthews-Indian Trail Rd along the north side of the park. Phase 1B is about 10% complete; the land has been cleared to punch out to Hwy 74.
- Crooked Creek Park, Phase 1A, Oakwood Lane is under construction and 25% complete. Phase 1B includes the ball fields, internal roads, parking lots, and playground and is about 10% finished—the land has been cleared.
- The next pavement condition survey will begin in early spring.
- The draft scope of work for the Unionville Rd and Sardis Rd intersection is being handled by STV who will perform the design and traffic study for the Town. The traffic study will include the Union Grove subdivision project and the intersection/road improvements will be a public/private partnership between the Town, NCDOT and the developer.
- The Indian Trail Rd bridge replacement is currently under design by DOT and is scheduled to be under construction by summer. The cross section includes a widening to three lanes with a center turn lane from the bridge to the intersection of Old Monroe Rd.
- NCDOT will hold a public meeting at SPCC on January 21 from 4 to 7PM to gather public input on the widening of Old Monroe Rd.

## **III. Traffic Calming Update**

Mr. McLamb provided the committee with the following information regarding the Town's Traffic Calming Policy:

- Engineering staff has recommended speed humps for the neighborhoods Brookhaven and Brandon Oaks. We are analyzing the data for Brook Valley. Speed tables have been installed in Beacon Hills. Temporary speed humps have been installed at four locations.
- Town Council adopted the revised policy on October 8<sup>th</sup>. Council has yet to decide on what funding mechanism will be used to implement the policy. There are two additional study areas.

#### **IV. Land Development Standards Update**

- Mr. Kaufhold informed the committee that Town staff is in the process of updating the Town's Land Development Standards, which set the construction standards for what is built in the Town. The standards were adopted in 1998 modeled largely on Charlotte's standards and have seen only minor revisions since then. The overhaul will be done section by section starting with roads, which has been completed in draft form. Mr. Kaufhold shared the draft cross sections with the committee, explaining how the new, higher standards will improve the quality of how Town streets are built, which will reduce maintenance costs in the future. The revisions will also help the Town move more toward regional practices and sustainable designs.

#### **V. Topics For Next Meeting**

- Mr. Kaufhold told the committee that for the next meeting he would like to discuss the top ten list of ranked sidewalk projects to see if the committee would like to reevaluate how the projects are ranked.
- Before concluding the meeting Mr. Kaufhold made a list of the committee's requests for speed limit reductions and pothole locations to send to NCDOT for consideration.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:20PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Keith Sorensen  
Staff Liaison