

HOSCHTON CITY COUNCIL
Public Hearing Capital Fund
Minutes

February 24, 2011, 6:00 p.m.
Hoschton City Hall

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

A. CALL TO ORDER

Erma Denney called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

B. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Council:

- Post 1: Sandie Romer, present
- Post 2: Jim Higginbottom, present
- Post 3: Jim Cleveland, present
- Post 4: Richard Shepherd, present
- Post 5: Scott Butler, present
- Post 6: Theresa Kenerly, present

Also present Guy Herring, MDA Consultants

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

E. NEW BUSINESS

(1) West Broad Street Capital Project

Mayor Denney explained that the Georgia DOT is responsible for upkeep on Highway 53 and Highway 332 in Hoschton. Jackson County is responsible for Peachtree Road and E Jefferson Street. The city is responsible for the remaining 12.85 miles of roads in the city limits. After the last meeting, some of the items were amended. She outlined six short-term work projects for the city.

1. Pave W Broad Street, from Hwy 53 to the cemetery
2. The Safe Routes to School Grant, if successful, would provide for a 10' sidewalk from East Jefferson Street to West Jackson Road, and West Jackson Road from Hwy 53 to Lake Drive, where it will connect with Braselton's portion.
3. A 10' concrete sidewalk from the curb cut at Dollar General, down Hwy 53 to Hwy 332, then Hwy 332 to a crosswalk over to First Avenue. The length was amended slightly from the meeting February 17.
4. A new, multi-use path along Peachtree Road, connecting Deer Creek Farms Subdivision and Quail Crossing Subdivision to the entrance to Wildflower Subdivision. This would be a "soft" path, likely just a broadening of the shoulder(s).
5. Apply for Georgia DNR Trail Grant for a multi-use path from the parking lot of the West Jackson Park down Cabin Drive and W Broad Street to Hwy 53. This was a change from the February 17 meeting, where this portion was approved, but the Hwy 53 project was not. The Trail Grant would allow the city to use Recreation SPLOST funds to provide the required 20%

match for this grant, thereby covering the entire cost to the city with Recreation SPLOST.

6. Possible T-SPLOST funded improvements to the intersections of W Broad and W Jackson Road with Hwy 53 and sidewalks between the two intersections.

Guy Herring presented a map of the proposed short term work projects for transportation. These plans provide for a sense of place, a sense of community and an identity for the city. It also alleviates traffic. A cash flow projection was presented (and is attached) for each project showing which funds would be used, and the remaining balances in each fund (Roads and Recreation SPLOST Funds).

A motion was made by Richard Shepherd to proceed with the budgeting of items 1) W Broad Paving, 3) Hwy 53 sidewalk to Hwy 332, and 5) multi-use trail on W Broad. The meeting was opened to the floor where two citizens spoke in favor of the projects. No citizens spoke in opposition. **The motion was restated, Theresa Kenerly seconded it, and all approved moving forward with the budgets for items 1, 3 and 5.**

F. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Theresa Kenerly to adjourn and was seconded by Richard Shepherd. All approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.