

Minutes

CHESTER COUNTY GATEWAY DISTRICT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING APRIL 3, 2019

Steering Committee Members Present

Sylvia Jennings, Chairman
John Agee, Vice-Chairman
Bhavin Patel, Secretary
Bruce Brumfield, Founders Federal Credit Union
Ed Sharpe, Town of Richburg
Hal Crenshaw, The Crenshaw Company
Jason Stewart, Chester County Natural Gas Authority
Philip Thompson-King, Chester County Wastewater Recovery
Tony Pope, First Citizen Bank
Walt Whitman, MCON Construction

Steering Committee Members Absent

Dr. Angela Bain, Chester County School District Fred Castles, Chester Metropolitan District Jim Bennett, Spratt Savings & Loan

Others Present

Brian Garner, The News and Reporter
Jeff Burgess, Chester County Economic Development
William H. Bundy, Resident
Kara Drane, Catawba Regional COG
Robby Moody, Catawba Regional COG

The meeting was called to order at 10:50 AM by Sylvia Jennings, Chairman, and she welcomed the Steering Committee members. Chairman Jennings also introduced the two new Steering Committee members, Bruce Brumfield, Founders Federal Credit Union and Jason Stewart, Chester County Natural Gas Authority. She welcomed them to the Steering Committee.

Bhavin Patel, Secretary asked if anyone had any revisions or edits to the minutes from the March 3, 2019 meeting. Walt Whitman made a motion to approve the minutes and Phillip Thompson-King 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 landscaping lighting project was completed and thanked everyone who contributed to the project. Mr. Crenshaw then stated that the Beautification Committee is considering a clean-up project for the Gateway District that can be supported by physical and financial donations. Partnerships can be developed with the community and organizations to address litter pick up and community awareness.

Next, Tony Pope, Growth and Infrastructure Committee Chair shared discussions from the committee. Robby Moody gave an overview of the Edgeland Road proposed improvements and stated that South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) will develop a cost estimate based on a continuous middle turn lane and a partial landscaped median with designated turning locations. Installation and ongoing maintenance costs for landscaped medians will not be covered by SCDOT. The Growth and Infrastructure Committee supports landscaped medians for Edgeland Road if local funds can be approved for landscaping the corridor. Mr. Moody also shared a proposed Gateway Roadway Network that includes suggested collector roadways that support the Gateway District Master Plan vision.

In regards to the Gateway Boulevard Designation, Mr. Pope shared that the County Council supported the name designation 5-1. While there was some concern of the proposed designation, a community open house could be planned to share multiple proposed activities in the Gateway District, communicate the overall vision for the area, and receive input from residents. A community open house will allow the Education, Beautification, and the Growth and Infrastructure committees' opportunities to get feedback from the community.

Lastly, Kara Drane stated that nothing final had received from SCDOT regarding the eligibility of Lighting Plan for TAP funds. Ms. Drane said she anticipated receiving additional information from SCDOT soon.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:50 AM.

Approved

Sylvia Jennings, Chairman

Submitted by

Bhavin Patel, Secretary