



Richland County Council
DIRT ROAD AD HOC COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 24, 2017 – 4:30 PM
DECKER CENTER
2500 Decker Boulevard
Columbia, SC 29206

Bill Malinowski	Norman Jackson	Dalhi Myers
District One	District Eleven	District Ten

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER** The Honorable Norman Jackson

- 2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** The Honorable Norman Jackson
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- 3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** The Honorable Norman Jackson

- 4. **PROGRAM UPDATE [PAGE 4]**

- 5. **ADJOURNMENT**



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RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

SOUTH CAROLINA

DIRT ROAD AD HOC COMMITTEE

December 6, 2016
2:00 PM
Administration Conference Room

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, persons requesting notification, and was posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Dixon called the meeting to order at approximately 2:05 PM.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Dixon stated the approval of the minutes needed to be added to the agenda.

Mr. Rush moved, seconded by Ms. Dixon, to adopt the agenda as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 2, 2016 – Mr. Rush moved, seconded by Ms. Dixon, to approve the minutes as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

PROGRAM UPDATE

a. Progress of Dirt Road Paving Team

Mr. Perry stated Dennis Corporation has provided a milestone schedule to the County. The County Administrator has elected, through a change order with the Dennis Corporation, to focus on completing 64 roads instead of the original 104 roads.

The Transportation Department has approved final construction plans on 12 roads and those plans have been submitted for land disturbance permits. The plans have also been submitted to the SC Department of Transportation for encroachment permits.

Mr. Perry stated Dennis Corporation has received comments back on the land disturbance review.

Ms. Dixon inquired about the N/A(s) on the schedule.

The Dennis Corporation stated the first 12 did not require right-of-way or right-of-way approvals; therefore, they are marked as N/A.



Committee Members Present

Julie-Ann Dixon, Chair
District Nine

Bill Malinowski
District One

Torrey Rush
District Seven

Others Present:

Dalhi Myers
Norman Jackson
Tony Edwards
Shawn Salley
Brenda Parnell
Rob Perry
Michelle Onley
Janelle Ellis
Tangela Nichols
Mary Spence

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Mr. Perry stated many of the other N/A(s) relate to SCDOT encroachment permits. If a dirt road does not touch a SCDOT road, an encroachment is not needed.

Mr. Perry stated because Dennis Corporation has received several comments back on their land disturbance permit submittals, they have not met the dates on the revised schedule.

Mr. Perry stated the Transportation Department is committed to reviewing the plans within five (5) business days.

b. Delivery Plan for reassigned projects

- 38 roads that were previously under contract to Dennis Corporation will now be assigned to Mead & Hunt
- Completed right-of-way plans within 90 days
- Update will be placed in the Administrator's Report

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:36 PM

Dirt Road Project Question and Answer

1. **Number of dirt roads completed by Dennis Corporation:**
Constructed: 1
In Construction: 14
In Procurement process: 10
2. **Number of dirt roads remaining:**
On the Dennis Corp contract, there are 40 roads that are not in construction, built, or in procurement
3. **Date dirt road contract to engineering firm:**
For Dennis Corp, please see discussion above
4. **Cost of contracts:**
We were paying Dennis Corp \$33k/month for management, and paid them on a per-road basis for design and a per-tract basis for ROW.
5. **Schedule for completion:**
Dennis Corp is no longer under contract. Per procurement, we will be utilizing another firm to finish the contract. Until we can get another firm under contract, there is no schedule for completion
6. **Reasons for delays:**
Underperformance of the selected contractor (Dennis Corp)
7. **Current status:**
Need more detail to answer? Are you asking the status of the Dennis contract, of years 1 and 2, of the Dennis subs, of years 3 and 4, etc.?
8. **How many dirt roads provided to current contractors and what is current status:**
Is this in reference to years 3 and 4 of the program? If so, we haven't finalized our scope and fee yet, so technically it's 0.
9. **Number of dirt roads remaining:**
We will pave as many as our funding allows. As bid prices change, that dictates how much funding is remaining and many roads we can build. Right now, we are probably looking at 90 roads for years 3 and 4 (give or take)
10. **What is status of the remaining?**
We are finalizing scope and fee to have our Council-selected on-call engineers' complete years 3 and 4 of the program
11. **How will the 5 engineering firms be used?**
Dirt roads will be divided into groups of 10 and distributed to each of the on-call teams for design. As a group gets completed, the consultant will be given another 10. This will encourage the on-call teams to work expeditiously and mitigate the risk of a single underperforming consultant delaying the program (like what happened with years 1 and 2). Having 5 teams design dirt roads simultaneously will expedite the program and allow it to get back on schedule
12. **What will be the utilization of the SLBE?**
4 out of the 5 primes on the on-call teams are certified SLBEs. The fifth team has multiple SLBE's and has committed to giving all design work to those subs.

Disclaimer: I provided some quick answers, but keep in mind most of the answers to these questions require a more detailed discussion and the answers can vary depending on context.

For example, Dennis Corp was given a Limited Notice to Proceed Dec 23, 2014 to complete one road and do some preliminary work. They were given their full Notice to Proceed on May 7, 2015, another NTP for additional work on Sept 15, 2015 and a 3rd NTP on Nov 24, 2015. They originally started with a contract for 140 roads. Some were removed due to property owner refusals and they were left with 104 roads for design. After lack of performance by Dennis Corp, another 39 roads were removed from their contract and given to another consultant. I say all this to reiterate my point that the below questions require more context to be fully and properly answered.