Steering Committee Meeting

Minutes
April 17th, 2024
3:30 PM

I. **Welcome** – Chairwoman Lyon

II. **Previous Meeting Minutes** – Chairwoman Lyon
    Minutes from the March 27th, 2023, Steering Committee meeting were approved unanimously.

III. **Phase 1 Project Update – Sheila Parker**
    We did get the green light to advertise after SCDOT gave us conditional right away approval. We have sent the advertisement for that bid package to the County procurement department and it's been relayed to them that this project is one of our top priorities. They should have that bid out on the website shortly. We do usually advertise for 30 days to give contractors enough time to put in a bid. After 30 days we open all the submitted bids and select the lowest qualified bid. Those are the next steps. We should be able to have a better idea of when we're going break ground once we have a contractor on deck, so we are getting close.

IV. **Federal Funding Opportunity Discussion Continued- Various**

    Chairwoman Lyon indicated that she discussed matching funds with Town Council and unfortunately, Council was not up for contributing the full 100,000 that Katie suggested at this time. They indicated they were willing to go up to $30,000, depending on the rest of the match. She stated that there was not much jurisdiction in the Town moving forward but that she still wanted to help and participate.

    Councilwoman Parker explained that she was planning on an initial request of $200,000 from the City at their traffic and transportation meeting. She stated she was a little disappointed in Town Council's decision but understood their calculations, but she would see how her request landed on Tuesday.

    Ms. Parker indicated that Councilwoman Honeycutt would be the best person to speak for the County but wanted to mention that Folly Phase II is one of the projects that could possibly be on the third ½ cent sales tax, but we wouldn't know until the summer. If it was chosen and passed in November, then it would be fully funded.