**Minutes**

**TIA Citizens Review Panel**

**March 26, 2019**

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| **Members Present** | **Organization** |
| Bill Slaughter | Lowndes County |
| Walter Hudson | Irwin County |
| Robert Griner | Berrien County |
| D.W. Harper | Irwin County |
| Patrick Jones | Ware County |
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| **Others Present** |  |
| Kenneth Franks | TIA GDOT |
| Eric Wilkinson | TIA GDOT |
| Brent Moseley | TIA GDOT |
| William Eastin | GDOT |
| Corey Hull | SGRC |
| August Huckleberry | SGRC |
| Randy Lane | City of Adel |
| Pete Pyrzenski | City of Tifton |
| John Shepherd Jr. | City of Tifton |
| Scott Moye | Ware County |
| Dan Bodycomb | GDOT |
| Gene Thomas | City of Waycross |

**2:00 PM**

**CRP Item #1 - Call to Order**

Mr. Slaughter called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

**CRP Item #2 - Introductions/Roll Call**

Mr. Slaughter asked those present to introduce themselves and state their affiliation with the committee.

**CRP Item #3 – Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Slaughter gave the committee time to review the minutes. Mr. Jones made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Harper made a motion in the second. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

**CRP Item #4 – Public Comment**

Mr. Slaughter opened the floor for public comments. Mr. Slaughter asked Mr. Franks if there was there anything we need to consider for public comment such as time. Mr. Franks stated that he has never had an issue where rules needed to be put in place. Mr. Slaughter stated that we usually cut it off at 5 minutes.

**CRP Item #5 – Election of Chair and Vice-Chair**

Mr. Franks explained to the committee that in order to execute band changes, they have to consider the financial standing. Mr. Franks stated that he has calculated loose numbers to help with the band change requests; for the first 4 years, I have $7 million in administration and $10 million for band 2 and 3 startup and 93 million for the projects on TIA investment list. That leaves us with 38 million. I took the initial projection and docked it by 10% that would leave us with 23 million. I have since then gotten a new projection and we are looking to have 48 million for band one projects. We are currently 10% over our current projected amounts but looking at the band change holistically, I used all the same assumptions and applied all the band change requests. The first would be Adel request, which would be moving one project from Band 1 to 2 and two projects from Band 2 to Band 1. The state route turning lane project is broke in half due to the 112 million that was brought in from GDOT. The planning office was okay with advancing 250,000 dollars into Band 1. TIA office is in favor of this request. The Waycross request, I am inclined to agree with that request. Lowndes County request, we are in favor of that request. Tifton request, we are in favor of that request. Mr. Franks continued, the Coffee County request is a little bit more complex. It has 9.8 million in TIA funds and 15 million in state funds. We approached the planning office to request advancing funds but it was denied. The TIA office has some flexibility where we can do a budget change and advance the project into Band 1 but it will increase and change the TIA projects budgets. One thing that I am uncomfortable about is that the revenue has been great but bringing in 25 million into Band 1 might put band 1 project in a deficit. We are in favor of it because it was a previously programmed project that was going to let in 2020 or 2021 so the citizens were expecting the delivery of this project, but I would like to delay the approval of this project until the risk team can come in and vet the project. My recommendation is that agenda items A, B, D, E, all be approved and Agenda item C, be placed on hold for approval until the next meeting. Mr. Griner made a motion to approve the Adel band change request. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried. Mr. Hudson made a motion to approve the Waycross band change request. Mr. Harper seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried. Mr. Griner made a motion to table the Coffee County band change request until next meeting. Mr. Harper seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried. Mr. Jones made a motion to approve the Lowndes County band change request. Mr. Hudson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried. Mr. Hudson made a motion to approve the Tifton band change request. Mr. Griner seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

**CRP Item # 6 – TIA Update**

Mr. Franks gave a brief update on the projects. We are currently in Band one and we will have those projects all in construction by 2022. Also, if you would like to see what is going on in other regions please visit our website. The approved investment list has a total of 480 million and currently there are 84 projects in Band one, which has changed at this meeting and I will update that number by next meeting. Once the Southern Georgia region is added to the website, the projects, construction and cost will be updated once a month and you can keep up with what is going on via our website. Mr. Moseley gave the update of the projects that will be let in the Southern Georgia region this calendar year. He stated that Pierce County would be the 1st project to be let next month. Clinch County has two projects, Lanier has one, Coffee County has three and Irwin County has two, Fitzgerald has one, City of Alma has two next month. Cook County has one scheduled in December. Berrien County has agreed to let theirs on their own. We are waiting on the TIA agreement from them. Lowndes County has returned their agreements and they will administer their project. Asked if the bike lane can be considered in this project. Mr. Franks stated that with the current year layout he is looking to be aggressive early on especially if the trend continues.

**CRP Item # 7 – Privilege of the Floor**

**There were no comments.**

**CRP Item # 8 – Next Meeting Date, Place, Time**

Mr. Slaughter stated that the meeting will be held on August 6, 2019 @ 2:30 p.m.