



SPLOST Citizen Oversight Group
Meeting Minutes, August 22, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

1 **August 22, 2019**

2 **SPLOST OVERSIGHT GROUP MINUTES**

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4 **Call to order**

5 Nancy Love called to order the regular meeting of the SPLOST Citizens Oversight Group

6 Meeting at 6:30pm on August 22, 2019 in the Maloof Auditorium.

7 Randal Mangham leads the group in inspiration and prayer.

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9 **Register**

10 The following members were present:

11 Name Appointed By:

12 Teresa Hardy CEO

13 Gale Walldorff CEO

14 Nancy Love District 2 Co-chair

15 Alice Bussey District 3

16 Issac Blythers District 4 Co-chair (on phone)

17 Gina Mangham District 5

18 Ellen Nash District 6

19 Randal Mangham District 7

20 **DeKalb County Staff:**

21 Zack Williams DeKalb County Chief Operating Officer

22 Ernest Slaughter SPLOST Program Manager, Moreland-Altobelli

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2 Nancy Love wants to entertain a motion to approve the minutes for June and July. Randal
3 Mangham moved to defer both sets of minutes until later in the meeting.

4 Ellen Nash seconds. Motion carries.

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6 **Old business**

7 Teresa Hardy suggested the Oversight Group should come up with names of speakers who the
8 Oversight Group wants to come to the meetings so Delores Crowell can start making
9 arrangements for the speakers to attend the meetings. Randal Mangham talks about how he
10 wants more public speakers to be at meetings so the Oversight Group can be informed on
11 what's going on in the community.

12 Zack Williams, DeKalb County Chief Operating Officer, talks about effective ways to notify
13 people about the SPLOST Oversight meetings.

14 Alice Bussey talks about having brochures on hand for the public. She also talks about diversity
15 and communication methods to use media to help reach out to the community.

16 Gina Mangham asks Mr. Williams if the SPLOST Oversight Group has funds to use. Mr.
17 Williams said there is always money somewhere.

18 Randal Mangham says there should be speaker every month so he can get information on
19 facilities, sidewalks, transportation. He moves that someone from those three areas that are
20 knowledgeable to come to speak, a different speaker at the one of the next three meetings.

21 Gina

22 Mangham seconds and adds a friendly amendment to add somebody from every major area
23 SPLOST covers. Randal Mangham accepts the friendly amendment.

24 Motion carries.

25 Nancy Love said that Delores Crowell and Zack Williams have been very helpful in answering
26 questions in all areas of having someone knowledgeable come out and speak.

1 Zack Williams talks about different area in SPLOST, they consist of police, fire, transportation,
2 parks, facilities, roads and drainage.

3 Mr. Williams talks about having an orientation for the two new members Gina Mangham and
4 Randal Mangham. Nancy Love said that everyone in the committee might want to attend.

5 Gale Walldorff motions to accept the interim report, Ellen Nash seconds.

6 Gale Walldorff said the interim report can be used as a cover letter in front of the technical
7 information that the Program Manager will supply.

8 Teresa Hardy amends motion to defer approval of the annual report for next meeting, Ellen
9 Nash seconds. Motion carried unanimously.

10 **New business**

11 Gale Walldorff received a phone call from Press as well as Nancy Love about the money
12 allocated to each Commissioner for projects in their districts. Gale Walldorff and Nancy Love
13 were not familiar with the allocation.

14 Zack Williams said in the referendum there is a category allocated for each district, \$7 million.
15 Each commissioner gets \$1 million for projects in their districts. Mr. Williams said nothing has
16 been identified yet since it is so early in the SPLOST program.

17 Gale Walldorff wants to know if the projects have to be approved by the board. Mr. Williams
18 said each month the BOC discusses SPLOST projects in their meetings.

19 Alice Bussey moves to extend time for tonight's meeting so the Oversight Group can talk about
20 everything on the agenda. Teresa Hardy seconds. Motion carried unanimously.

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22 **SPLOST Updates**

23 Ernest Slaughter, SPLOST Program Manager, gives an update on SPLOST projects.

24 You can go online to TEAMS to see projects being done in DeKalb County.

25 The Board of Commissioners has approved authorized contracts, \$73 million to-date.

26 The elevator completion is done under capital projects category totaling \$2 million.

1 The cash flow projection is on track.

2 Over 100 miles of sidewalk projects are needed, 35 miles as high priority. The Board of
3 Commissioners should approve another 75 miles totaling \$1 million at their next meeting.

4 There is bridge work being done on five different bridges at this time.

5 Roof improvements totaling \$8.75 million are underway for libraries, fire stations and parks.
6 \$1.8 million has been identified for park facilities.

7 The Board of Commissioners approved contract for on-call roofing. DeKalb County is looking for
8 future contractors for their bridge construction.

9 Phase 2 of the resurfacing of 60 more miles of roads is underway for approval by the Board of
10 Commissioners.

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12 **Public comments**

13 Lena Render of the County Line-Ellenwood Community thanked the group for the agenda so
14 she could follow along. She was concerned about having sidewalks by the new County-Line
15 Ellenwood library so kids can walk to it as well as seniors.

16 She talked about having more street lights by the MARTA so people riding it can see walking
17 home. She said they can use more stop signs for heavily traffic areas so it can reduce the traffic
18 and keep it moving.

19 The second speaker, Mr. Brad Hubbard of AFEE Org., asked the question “What is the purpose
20 of having these meetings and their objectives. What do you all want to accomplish.” Wants to
21 know the companies that are on the on-call contracts list.

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23 **Notes**

24 The group thanked guest speakers for coming to the SPLOST Oversight Group meeting and
25 sharing their concerns, as well as Zack Williams.

26 Nancy Love thanks everyone for the extended time they had tonight.

- 1 Nancy Love motioned that the meeting be adjourned, Teresa Hardy seconds. It was
- 2 unanimously carried.
- 3 The meeting adjourned at 8:35pm
- 4 Next SPLOST meeting will be September 26, 2019 at 6:30pm