



SPLOST Citizen Oversight Committee
Meeting Minutes, May 23, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

1 **May 23, 2019**

2 **SPLOST OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES**

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4 **Call to order**

5 Issac Blythers called to order the regular meeting of the SPLOST Citizens Oversight Group
6 Meeting at 6:32pm on May 23, 2019 in the Maloof Auditorium.

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8 **Register**

9 The following members were present:

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| 10 | Theresa Hardy | CEO |
| 11 | Gail Walldorff | CEO |
| 12 | Jenna Teston | District 1 (on phone) |
| 13 | Nancy Love | District 2 co-chair (on phone) |
| 14 | Alice Bussey | District 3 |
| 15 | Issac Blythers | District 4 co-chair |
| 16 | Rod Frierson | District 5 |
| 17 | Ellen Nash | District 6 |
| 18 | Randal Mangham | District 7 |
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| 20 | Delores Crowell | DeKalb County Government Affairs Director |
| 21 | Chris Kingsbury | Moreland Altobelli representative |

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23 Issac Blythers asked for the approval of the March minutes. Ellen Nash made motion to approve
24 March minutes and Nancy Love second the motion. Motion carries.

25 Issac Blythers motioned to approve April minutes and Rod Frierson second the motion. Motion was

1 Unanimous. Ellen Nash wanted to adopt a style of minutes.
2 Randal Mangham wanted a combination of both minutes. He liked the line item numbers from
3 April and the headings from the March minutes.
4 Isaac Blythers spoke about the April format with additions be noted on minutes along with their titles.
5 Teresa Hardy motioned to accept for minutes using both March and April minutes combined.
6 Rod Frierson second the motion. Motion carries.
7 Isaac Blythers spoke about the April format with additions be noted on minutes along with their titles.

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9 **Old business**

10 none

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12 **New business**

13 Isaac Blythers spoke about how they were going to have someone in the parks area come and speak at
14 next meeting to educate everyone about what's going on.

15 Theresa Hardy said as a committee they need to choose who they want as a guest speaker and
16 when.

17 Nancy Love noted that Chuck Ellis is the current director of Parks.

18 Delores Crowell said they will find someone in whatever department the committee chooses. So the
19 committee needs to get together and choose who they would like to come and speak at the meeting.

20 Theresa Hardy motioned for June or July that someone in Parks come and speak at SPLOST meeting. It
21 was moved and second by Randal Mangham that the speaker comes and speaks either in June or July.

22 Motion was unanimous.

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24 **SPLOST updates**

25 Chris Kingsbury spoke about county website. He said interactive maps are at least a week behind on

1 updates but they are to be on real time.
2 Gail Walldorff asked Chris Kingsbury if they are on schedule with all the projects. Chris said
3 ahead of schedule. He stated that “The economy's been very robust. So everybody's out there
4 spending money.” He said the Board approved of \$200,000 for drainages in Parks. Designs are
5 underway to get out to contractors this summer.
6 The Sugar Creek golf and tennis complex has upgraded the lighting as well as setting
7 contracts to repair bridges and renovate the greens and fairways. They are hoping it will be open after
8 Labor Day this year.
9 Chris Kingsbury stated that “the first playgrounds should open this summer at Lithonia Park.
10 The equipment's been ordered, I think it's on site. And I think Sarah's working with parks
11 down when they can have a ribbon cutting. Installation is going on as we speak.”
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14 **Public comments**

15 Lena Render a resident of DeKalb for 70 years said her park was in disarray. Everything is out
16 of place. She spoke about how schools and libraries needed sidewalks. She was wondering if in the near
17 future they would get sidewalks since everyone else is.
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19 Steve Bennington another resident of DeKalb spoke about the funds being allocated. He wanted the
20 commissioners to hold their 1 million dollars to be spent on what they see fit until all the projects
21 are done like they promised the DeKalb residents.
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23 **Notes**

24 June 27th final discussions of the by laws
25 July 25th committee meeting
26 Randal Mangham thanked everyone for welcoming him to the committee

1 Issac Blythers put forth the motion that the meeting be
2 adjourned. Randal Mangham seconded the motion, and it was
3 unanimously carried.

4 (The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm)

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