



CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

Transportation, Infrastructure, Parks, SPLOST (TIPS) Committee

*Councilmember Terry Fye, Chair
Mayor Pro Tem George Turner
Councilmember Tara Graves
Gia Scruggs, ex-officio*

*Councilmember Tammy Grimes
Councilmember Alecia Washington
Mayor Jazzmin Cobble, ex-officio*

TRANSPORTATION, INFRASTRUCTURE, PARKS, SPLOST MEETING MINUTES

March 12, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

Citizen Access: *In-Person @ City Hall (3120 Stonecrest Blvd Stonecrest)*
[\(meeting will be recorded and uploaded to the Stonecrest YouTube page\)](#)

I. CALL TO ORDER: Councilman Terry Fye

The meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL: Councilman Terry Fye

All members present with the exception of Councilwoman Tara Graves, and City Manager Gia Scruggs.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There was a request to approve the minutes between Public Comments and Agenda items.

Mayor Jazzmin Cobble requested to add the following items:

1. 2025 CAB Community Block Development Grants
2. 2024 redirection fund for Capital Improvement Project

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem George Turner to approve the meeting agenda with the stated updates. Second by Councilwoman Alecia Washington.

Motion passed unanimously.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

*Overall limit in public comments is 20 minutes. Limited to 2 minutes per speaker.
Speaker can only speak once in public comments. Public comments are restricted to
topics regarding the TIPS Committee.*

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V. AGENDA ITEMS

o Approval of Meeting Minutes

- February 12, 2025

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem George Turner to approve the February 12, 2025, meeting minutes. Second by Councilwoman Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

- November 13, 2024

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem George Turner to approve the November 13, 2024, meeting minutes. Second by Councilwoman Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

- October 9, 2024

Councilman Terry Fye would like to postpone approval of these meeting minutes for corrections.

Motion – made by Councilwoman Tammy Grimes to postpone approval of the October 9, 2024, meeting minutes for corrections. Second by Councilwoman Alicia Washington.

Motion passed unanimously.

- September 11, 2024

Motion – made by Councilwoman Alecia Washington to approve the September 11, 2024, meeting minutes. Second by Councilwoman Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

- August 14, 2024

Motion – made by Councilwoman Tammy Grimes to approve the August 14, 2024, meeting minutes. Second by Councilwoman Alecia Washington.

Motion passed unanimously.

- July 10, 2024

Motion – made by Councilwoman Tammy Grimes to approve the July 10, 2024, meeting minutes. Second by Councilwoman Alecia Washington.

Motion passed unanimously.

- February 21, 2024

Motion – made by Councilwoman Tammy Grimes to approve the February 21,

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2024, meeting minutes. Second by Councilwoman Alecia Washington
Motion passed unanimously.

○ **Engineering**

▪ **Panola Road and Panola Shoals Update**

City Engineer Hari Karikaran gave an update on progress and demonstrated, by pictures, the improvements made at this location, from the Hurricane Helen disaster. Engineers had to redo the survey because there was no soil ground. The redesign consisted of a new structure for the project and the new structure will be built by The Rock Company. The bottom wall will be 9 feet tall, and the second wall will be 8 feet tall.

▪ **Southeast Athletics Complex Restroom Update**

City Engineer Hari Karikaran gave a progress update on the male restroom, female restroom, concession stand, and storage area. The city is currently waiting on Georgia Power to bring a transformer to the project. Planning is estimated to be completed by April.

▪ **Statewide Projects Update**

City Engineer Hari Karikaran gave an update on the Fairington Road/I-20 Bridge, stating it is tentatively scheduled to open around the end of August. A major shutdown of Hillandale Drive/Dekalb Medical Pkwy is scheduled for the weekend of April 25th, and drivers will see a tremendous difference once it is reopened. Athena Lane, which is the apartment entrance, will be converted to right-in and right-out only driveway.

There was an update on the Panola Road/I-20 Bridge. The Let date has been pushed out to December 2025.

There was an update on Fairington Road/Hillandale Drive. A work order has been submitted to the Georgia Department of Transportation for resurfacing roads and the cutting down of trees.

City Engineer Hari Karikaran advised that a grant will be applied for in the future. If approved, the grant will fund the (TAP) Transportation Alternate Program for Thompson Mill Road, which is a shared use path.

Mayor Pro Tem Turner spoke of a lighting situation at the roundabout, located at Browns Mill Road. City Engineer Karikaran advised a work order will be placed to correct this issue.

Councilwoman Grimes advised that there is also a lighting issue at Salem and Evans Mill Road. City Engineer Karikaran stated he is aware of this issue and is currently in the process of repairing the poll that is not working.

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- **Parks and Recreation**

- **Browns Mill Rec Center Discussion**

Director Ledbetter advised that Browns Mill has four renovation projects coming up:

1. Replacing VCT tile in the classrooms, lobby and offices; and adding carpet in the offices.
2. The new gym floor will be coming in May; it should take 3 to 4 weeks to complete.
3. Expansion of the classrooms at the rear of the building and adding a restroom and 2 classrooms.
4. Adding a Pickle Ball court outside the building.

Director Ledbetter also advised that Browns Mill is working with the aquatic vendor, Stanguard, in reference to the swimming team scheduled to start May 23rd. He also advised there was a misunderstanding in regard to the contract and that Stanguard will return and that the situation has been resolved.

- **Summer Programming Preview**

Director Ledbetter advised that the Program Coordinator Chris Suggs is working to get the summer program up and running. The plan is to begin June 2, 2025, and end July 25, 2025; with the time from 7am to 6pm. Registration started Monday March 10, 2025. Councilman Fye asked if notification has been sent to surrounding schools and Councilwoman Grimes and Director Ledbetter confirmed solicitations have been sent. The program is prepared to accommodate approximately 60 children for the summer program.

It was mentioned that more than 60 children could benefit from the program and that there should be a wait list, which would also require additional staff for an expansion be considered. Councilwoman Washington mentioned that the Botanical Garden may also be used as an alternative location for the summer program.

Director Ledbetter advised there will be a summer sports camp on June 9th thru July 11, 2025, with football, soccer and baseball. The ages are 12 – 16 years old. Brown Mills is sponsoring a Juneteenth celebration in addition to Screen on the Green. A band camp was also mentioned. Councilman Terry Fye asked if anything was needed, from the council for the mentioned activities and Director Ledbetter advised no assistance was needed at this time. The Easter Egg Drop and Earth Day were also mentioned.

Updates:

Councilman Terry Fye

1. Block Grants from Dekalb County: 2025 Community Development and Community Block Development. Mayor Cobble stated she would like to add them. City Engineer Hari Karikaran stated Stonecrest has met with the Dekalb County Development Department and solicited for municipalities within the County. We have not received an approval letter as of yet, but should be received soon. The deadline is April 7, 2025.

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2. City Engineer Hari Karikaran reported there are four sidewalks that are being designed: Walmart, Salem Road near Dollar General and the roundabout, Irish Drive Parkway and Phillip Road, connecting all of the communities to Redan Park. One Scope of Work has been created for all sidewalks with the exception of Salem Road. The plan is to complete one solicitation for all of the sidewalks.

VI. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

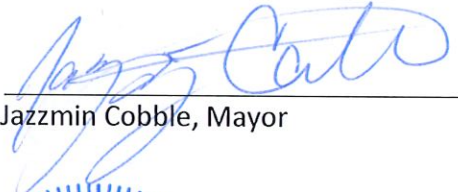
VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Motion - made by Councilwoman Tammy Grimes to adjourn the meeting. Second by Councilwoman Mayor Pro Tem
Motion passed unanimously.

As approved on the 9th day of April, 2025.

CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA



Jazzmin Cobble, Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk



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