

## MINUTES

The Georgia Highway Contractors Association Board of Directors met on Tuesday, July 24, 2007, in Ballroom C of the 1818 Club, 6500 Sugarloaf Parkway, Duluth, GA. Those who attended were:

L. Arnie Pittman, III	Darrell Robinson
Mike Williams	Sandy Sanford
Bill Hammock	Ferrell Scruggs
Max Carnes	Don Stewart
Mike Copeland	Clyde Shepherd
Cecil Pearce	David Snell
Will Peek	Dan Garcia

Guests:	Robert Ansley	Kim Carter-Smith
	Robert Chambers	Gene Smith
	Alan Childers	Ed Raynor
	Randy Hart	David Rawson
	Greg Mayo	
	David Moellering	

Staff:	Steve Parks
	Roger Dill
	Lisa Haden

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President Arnie Pittman called the meeting to order. He announced that two replacements are being made to the Board of Directors; Mr. Will Peek will be taking the seat of Mr. Don Peek and Mr. Dan Garcia will be taking the seat of Mr. Frank Whitaker. Further, a motion was made and seconded approving the minutes of the June 26, 2007 Board Meeting.

Treasurer Max Carnes gave the Treasurer's Report and briefly discussed the addition of three new members:

- Blackledge Emulsions
- Granite Construction Company
- McLendon Acres, Inc.

President Pittman introduced Mr. Greg Mayo and Mr. Randy Hart of the GDOT. Mr. Mayo spoke about the construction task force that is being put together and the important issues being worked on (DBE's, dispute resolution, semi-monthly payments, continuity of program, fuel index, immigration law and supplemental agreement/approval process). He stressed that he needed to hear our concerns. He also wanted to hear about

any GPS grading problems anyone is having and to assure everyone that GDOT is committed to working with us.

Executive Director, Steven L. Parks welcomed the two new Board Members and thanked Greg Mayo and Randy Hart for being with us today and for their efforts.

Mr. Parks notified everyone that Gerald Ross would replace David Studsill on the GDOT Transportation Board. He further discussed the Joint Legislative Study Committee that is looking at transportation funding, noting that they have met twice with both meetings being focused on the depth of funding shortfall. He expects that at the next meeting that they will begin to focus on solutions.

He stated that the Governor has formed a task force under the auspices of the New Georgia Commission to take a look at project costs and industry capacity. In addition to this task force, the Lt. Governor and Speaker have asked the state auditor's office to look at specific areas of DOT

operations to determine if legislative changes are needed to improve efficiency.

A handout (Transportation Investment Principles) was reviewed and discussed and Mr. Parks stressed that he would like to hear comment in the coming week. This document is a draft working document that has been produced by a coalition of transportation groups that are working in support of the Legislative Study Committee.

The new Immigration Law was discussed again and Mr. Parks said that he and Ray Rodriguez were going to meet with the Gwinnett County Commission chair next week to discuss the new ordinance that has been passed. This ordinance seems to be in conflict with federal statute and could make it very difficult to bid on Gwinnett County projects.

Roger Dill spoke about the Struck by Alliance sessions that are on-going and notified everyone of the GPTQ Meeting, December 5-7 in Athens, GA.

President Pittman thanked everyone for attending.

Meeting adjourned.

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