

MINUTES

The Georgia Highway Contractors Association Board of Directors met on Tuesday, October 23, 2007, in Ballroom C of the 1818 Club, 6500 Sugarloaf Parkway, Duluth, GA 30097. Those who attended were:

L. Arnie Pittman, III
Mike Williams
Bill Hammack
Max Carnes
Mike Copeland
Ricky Dykes
Charles Matthews
Cecil Pearce
Dan Garcia

Darrell Robinson
Sandy Sanford
Clyde Shepherd
David Snell
Don Stewart

Staff:
Steve Parks
Lisa Haden
Robert Ansley
Roger Dill
Joe Street

Guests were:

David Moellering
Richard Crochetiere
David Rawson
Kim Smith
Gene Smith

A motion was made by Mike Copeland and seconded by Bill Hammack to approve the minutes of the September 2007 Board Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer, Max Carnes presented the Treasurer's Report to the Board.

President Pittman discussed the need for a policy regarding convention travel outside of the U.S. He asked the convention committee take a look at forming a policy statement to bring back to the Board. He also stated that the GPTQ registration packages have been sent and should be received some time later this week. Anyone who wants to register should do so as early as possible as we expect a large group again this year.

Executive Director, Steven L. Parks discussed the appointment of the new GDOT Commissioner, Ms. Gena Abraham, and explained that he briefly met with her last week and looks forward to working with her. Regarding the DOT Board meeting last week, Mr. Parks noted that there

were no committee meetings that affected our business, but that there will be another construction task force meeting at the November meeting.

Mr. Parks reported that The Get Georgia Moving Coalition continues to meet and is in the discussion stages of legislative language that could be used in a funding bill if one is forthcoming. Mr. Parks noted that there are three web sites available for those who wish to keep abreast of legislative activity. The website for the Legislative Study Committee is www.gatransfunding.com; the site for the new Georgia cost and bid study is at www.newgeorgia.org, and the site for the Get Georgia Moving Coalition is www.getgeorgiamoving.com.

He further discussed his attendance at the ARTBA convention recently. The three topics he found of interest were:

- 1) The Minnesota bridge collapse and the criticism of design-build projects
- 2) GPS grading technology and
- 3) ARTBA may start a legal department to fight environmental issues.

ISC, Inc. was approved as a new Contractor Member.

Consultant, Joe Street, spoke about the Utilities Mediation Process relating to Senate Bill 19. He explained that Contractors must go through GDOT to non-binding arbitration if delayed by the utility company. The case would be reviewed by a three person arbitration board.

Robert Ansley spoke about the lawsuit with GUCA against Gwinnett Co. regarding the recent immigration requirements. He indicated that GUCA has decided to file and that AGC has joined the suit. It was decided without vote that GHCA would not become a party to the suit at this time.

Consultant, Roger Dill spoke about the GPTQ Meeting in December and asked for volunteers to speak noting that the program is about equal with item of interest to consultants and items for contractors. He also announced the Asphalt Pavement Conference in Macon, GA, being held February 5-7.

Meeting Adjourned.

Q. William Hammack, Jr., Secretary

Steven L. Parks, Executive Director

