

**2023 SPLOST Oversight Committee
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, April 21, 2025
JP Carr Community Center**

Present Members: Arthur A. Vaughn, Bill Campbell, Bill Hughey, Charles Staples (SPLOST Chairperson), Dexter Bowman, Doug Smith, Elaine Nash, John Van der Spek, Josh Bettenhausen, Joy Douglas, Mary Greco, Pamela Perdue, Robin Berry, Roger Cannon, Sandra Weatherly, Shawn Bilak, Tanya Cobb, Thomas C. Dean III (SPLOST Vice-Chair).

Not Present: Aviella Williams Gayden, Celia E. Hemphill, Charlotte Gellert, Dereck Davis, James Stone, Jeffery Allen Spencer I, Juan Sebastian Cruz, Michael Sellers, Nichele Ford, Sharmelle Brooks, Stephanie Hollman-Curtis, Venus Arthur, Vinette D'Andrade, Yvonne Duncan.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairperson Charles Staples called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.
2. **Invocation:** Bill Hughey
3. **Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Bill Campbell, to approve the agenda, seconded by Bill Hughey, and was passed unanimously. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Subcommittee Reports:**
 - a. **Parks & Recreation:** Parks and Recreation Subcommittee Chair Tanya Cobb reported that the subcommittee attended a tour of DeCastro and Wheeler Park on April 14, 2025.
5. **Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Bill Campbell to approve the meeting minutes of January 27, 2025, seconded by Arthur Vaugh, and passed unanimously. **Motion Carried.**
6. **SPLOST Chair Remarks:**
 - a. SPLOST Chairperson Charles Staples thanked the Fire department for providing the meal for the meeting.
7. **Subcommittee's Reports:**
 - a. **Courthouse:** Courthouse Subcommittee Chair Dexter Bowman provided a brief report on the Courthouse and that as soon as they obtain more information, an update will be provided. A question arose from Shawn Bilak regarding the parking garage. SPLOST Chairperson Charles Staples responded that the City of Conyers has provided the funds for the 3rd floor of the parking deck and that the 4th floor was authorized by the SPLOST committee once funds become available.
 - b. **Finance:** Finance Subcommittee Chair Doug Smith informed that as of February 2025, the sales tax collected is \$25.847 million, which is an average of \$1.993 million per month and collections continue to exceed the monthly goal by an average of \$755,000 per month, see the attachments for the collection and allocation reports. If the

projections move forward at the same rate, they could collect around \$140 million, with an excess of about \$54 million over the targeted \$89.1 million. The county is still on target to meet the goal of \$89.1 million by December 2026. Finance Subcommittee Chair Smith continued to encourage subcommittee members to be proactive and think of what projects the overage could be spent on. SPLOST Chairperson Staples mentioned that in the beginning quarter of next year, the SPLOST committee would begin voting on how to split the overage.

- c. **Fire/E911:** Fire Subcommittee Chair Bill Hughey provided the report for the Fire subcommittee, see the attachment for more information. Fire Subcommittee Chair Hughey encouraged SPLOST members to introduce themselves to the new Fire Chief, James Robinson.
- d. **Sheriff:** Sheriff Subcommittee Chair Roger Cannon provided the report for the Sheriff Subcommittee. The department is working on hiring employees for the Mental Health Ward and the department will try to have an open house for SPLOST members later this year.
- e. **Transportation:** Transportation Subcommittee Chair Arthur Vaughn presented a motion to approved SPLOST 5B Project List as attached for \$7,130,598.73 as funds become available, seconded by John Van der Spek, and passed unanimously. **Motion Carried.** Transportation Subcommittee Chair Vaughn presented a second motion to add \$57,300.00 for the ARC comprehensive transportation plan update, seconded by Joy Douglas, and passed unanimously. **Motion Carried.** Transportation Subcommittee Chair Vaughn presented the third motion to approve funding for the Sigman Road Project, specifically for Phase 4 and Phase 3B, to initiate the right-of-way acquisition process. A funding request of \$1.5 million is made for each phase, resulting in a total requested amount of \$3 million for the right-of-way acquisition as funds become available. Motion seconded by Dextor Bowman. SPLOST Chairperson Charles Staples commented that this major road project typically takes about 10 to 15 years to complete. He expressed appreciation for the subcommittee and Director of Transportation Brian Kelley for their proactive approach in acquiring the right-of-way and presenting this motion. Elanie Nash added that if the county does not take early action to purchase land, they may end up paying significantly more in the future. Motion passed unanimously. **Motion Carried.**

8. **Public Comments:**

- a. No public comment.

9. **SPLOST Members' Comments:**

- a. Robin Berry commended the Parks and Recreation department for removing the bush that was blocking one of the entrances at Wheeler Park, stating that Parks and Recreation Deputy Director Tahira Wilson prioritized safety for the public.
- b. Roger Cannon stated that the trees have been cleared on both sides of Salem Road in preparation for construction. SPLOST Chairperson Charles Staples added that there is ongoing construction at the Courthouse, as well, and urged the public to exercise patience in these active areas. He also requested that people help spread the word about the

active construction zones. Additionally, SPLOST pennies signs have been posted at Courtesy Parkway.

10. **Next meeting:** The next Oversight Committee meeting will be July 21, 2025, at JP Carr Community Center
11. **Adjournment:** There being no further business or discussion, John Van der Spek motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mary Greco. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm

Approved:

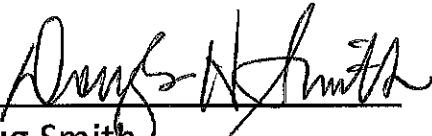


SPLOST Committee Chair

Date

SPLOST Finance Subcommittee Report
April 21, 2025

- The SPLOST Finance Subcommittee met on Wednesday, April 9, 2025.
- As of February 2025, SPLOST Sales Tax Collections collected \$45.847m - an average of \$1.993m per month and exceeded our monthly goals by an average of \$755K per month.
- An Allocated Funds Report as of March 31, 2025, has also been provided.



Doug Smith

ALLOCATED FUNDS REPORT

COUNTY PROJECTS	%	AUTHORIZED AMOUNT	(REVENUE) FUNDS ALLOCATED TO DATE	FUNDS OBLIGATED BY EXECUTED CONTRACTS	Splost Bond Series 2024 Debt Service Payments	FUNDS PAID TO CONTRACTORS	UNOBLIGATED FUNDS REMAINING AS OF DEC
			-	-		-	-
Transportation	39.51%	35,199,846	16,123,160	4,157,498	-	234,047	11,731,616
Fire & E911	9.00%	8,019,000	3,672,508	2,756,880	-	544,106	371,522
Sheriff	6.00%	5,346,000	2,448,578	644,725	-	1,198,683	605,170
Parks & Recreation	5.00%	4,455,000	2,040,759	913,649	-	620,999	506,110
Courthouse	22.00%	19,602,000	8,978,674	4,104,000	2,894,667	-	1,980,008
County Total	81.506%	72,621,846	33,263,680	12,576,753	2,894,667	2,597,835	15,194,426
City Total	18.494%	16,478,154	8,478,978	-		8,116,956	362,022
Grand Total	100.00%	89,100,000	41,742,658	12,576,753	2,894,667	10,714,791	15,556,447
			NOTE (1)	NOTE (2)	NOTE (2)		

NOTE (1): Report shows tax receipts allocations through February 28, 2025
NOTE (2): Report shows Obligated Funds & Payments to Contractors as of March 31,2025
NOTE (3): OSC approval 10.21.2024 allocate 1st overage funds \$4.4M to match City of Conyers Funds for Parking Deck

Interest earned	2023 total	209,425.87
	2024 total	1,522,709.50
	2025 total to date	316,009
Grand Total Interest		2,048,144.56

Rockdale County 2023 1% Special Local Option Sales Tax
(in thousands 1,000's)

Debt Service Requirements Series 2024

Period	Debt Service	Paid (Yes/No)
June 1, 2024	83,416.66	Paid
December 31, 2024	2,811,250.00	Paid
June 1, 2025	279,500.00	NO
December 31, 2025	3,824,500.00	NO
June 1, 2026	190,875.00	NO
December 31, 2026	3,915,875.00	NO
June 1, 2027	97,750.00	NO
December 31, 2027	4,007,750.00	NO
	<u>\$ 15,210,916.66</u>	

Monthly Remit		Sales Tax GOAL		Sales Tax ACTUAL		Variance
1	Apr-23	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,962.0	\$ 724.5
2	May-23	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,990.6	\$ 753.1
3	Jun-23	\$	1,237.5	\$	2,124.8	\$ 887.3
4	Jul-23	\$	1,237.5	\$	2,073.9	\$ 836.4
5	Aug-23	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,928.2	\$ 690.7
6	Sep-23	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,957.0	\$ 719.5
7	Oct-23	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,994.4	\$ 756.9
8	Nov-23	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,877.5	\$ 640.0
9	Dec-23	\$	1,237.5	\$	2,167.6	\$ 930.1
10	Jan-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,817.3	\$ 579.8
11	Feb-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	2,076.7	\$ 839.2
12	Mar-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,936.9	\$ 699.4
13	Apr-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,983.8	\$ 746.3
14	May-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	2,063.4	\$ 825.9
15	Jun-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	2,108.5	\$ 871.0
16	Jul-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	2,045.9	\$ 808.4
17	Aug-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,992.6	\$ 755.1
18	Sep-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,885.5	\$ 648.0
19	Oct-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,941.1	\$ 703.6
20	Nov-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,927.0	\$ 689.5
21	Dec-24	\$	1,237.5	\$	2,220.5	\$ 983.0
22	Jan-25	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,814.6	\$ 577.1
23	Feb-25	\$	1,237.5	\$	1,957.5	\$ 720.0
24	Mar-25	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
25	Apr-25	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
26	May-25	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
27	Jun-25	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
28	Jul-25	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
29	Aug-25	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
30	Sep-25	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
31	Oct-25	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
32	Nov-25	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
33	Dec-25	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
34	Jan-26	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
35	Feb-26	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
36	Mar-26	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
37	Apr-26	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
38	May-26	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
39	Jun-26	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
40	Jul-26	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
41	Aug-26	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
42	Sep-26	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
43	Oct-26	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
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46	Jan-27	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
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49	Apr-27	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
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55	Oct-27	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
56	Nov-27	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
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58	Jan-28	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
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61	Apr-28	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
62	May-28	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
63	Jun-28	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
64	Jul-28	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
65	Aug-28	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
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67	Oct-28	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
68	Nov-28	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
69	Dec-28	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
70	Jan-29	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
71	Feb-29	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
72	Mar-29	\$	1,237.5			\$ -
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Total		\$	89,100.00	\$	45,847.18	\$ 17,384.68
Month Average		\$	1,237.50	\$	1,993.36	\$ 755.86

SPLOST Oversight Committee
911/Fire Service Subcommittee Report
April 21, 2025

The 911/Fire Service Subcommittee on Thursday April 3 at Fire Headquarters

- 1. The subcommittee reviewed the update on the reconstruction of Station 5, Hightower Trail, the slab work in front of the building has been completed, rough plumbing work has been completed and framing will begin on April 23.**
- 2. Our new Fire Chief, James Robinson as introduced to the Subcommittee and a discussion of his priorities were shared.**
- 3. A discussion of possible new sites for the new Station 4 (currently on Union Church Rd) was held, no recommendations at this time.**
- 4. The discussion of the Fire Engine replacements approved by the full SPLOST Committee at our last meeting, were approved by the Board of Commissioners and have been ordered.**

Thank you

2023 SPLOST Oversight Committee

Recommendation Memo

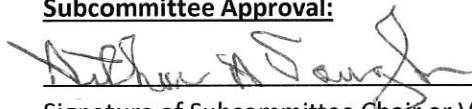
Date of SPLOST Meeting: 4/21/2025 Subcommittee: Transportation

Action Recommended to Board of Commissioners:

Motion to approve **SPLOST 5B Project List** as attached for \$7,130,598.73 as funds become available.

Budgeted amount for action: \$7,130,598.73

Subcommittee Approval:



Signature of Subcommittee Chair or Vice Chair

Apr 21, 2025

Date

Oversight Committee Approval:



Signature of Chair or Vice Chair

4-21-2025

Date

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Rockdale County SPLOST 5B
Programmed Roads

	From	To	I-20 (N or S)	Length (FT)	Width (FT)	SF	SY	Total
Blacklawn Road SW	Iris Drive	Klondike Road	S	1489	22	32,758	3,640	\$102,339.63
Goode Road	Ebenezer Rd	Stanton	S	0	21	0	-	\$0.00
Honey Creek	HWY 212	Ebenezer Rd	S	0	26	-	-	\$0.00
Hurst Road	Falls Brooke Dr	Klondike Road	S	4826	20	96,520	10,724	\$303,855.68
Klondike Road	Ruth Lane SW	DeKalb County Ln	S	6020	30	180,600	20,067	\$552,656.07
McDaniel Mill Road SW-1	Klondike Road	Iris Dr SW	S	7814	24	187,536	20,837	\$582,132.58
McDaniel Mill Road SW-2	Smyrna Road	Klondike Road	S	10507	24	252,168	28,019	\$782,757.49
Smyrna Road SW	HWY 212	McDaniel Mill	S	3795	24	91,080	10,120	\$282,722.44
Smyrna Road SW	McDaniel Mill	Flat Shoals	S	11458	24	274,992	30,555	\$853,605.72
Smyrna Road SW	Flat Shoals	Klondike	S	8870	36	319,320	35,480	\$967,787.96
Troupe Smith Road	Ebenezer Rd	McClanes Court	S	4519	24	108,456	12,051	\$336,659.47
Troupe Smith Road	Honey Creek	Ebenezer	S	2347	24	56,328	6,259	\$174,848.37
Troupe Smith Road 2	Crowell Rd	McClanes Court	S	704	24	16,896	1,877	\$52,447.06
Tucker Mill Road SW-1	HWY 212	HWY 138	S	7550	20	151,000	16,778	\$475,364.78
Tucker Mill Road SW-2	Morrison Rd	Goode Rd	S	10296	20	205,920	22,880	\$648,259.04

Subtotal	\$6,115,436.30
Contingency (10%)	\$611,543.63
CEI (6%)	\$403,618.80
	\$7,130,598.73
	15.188 Mile

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Recommendation Memo

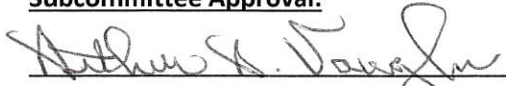
Date of SPLOST Meeting: 4/21/2025 Subcommittee: Transportation

Action Recommended to Board of Commissioners:

Motion to add \$57,300.00 for the ARC comprehensive transportation plan update.

Budgeted amount for action: \$57,300.00

Subcommittee Approval:


Signature of Subcommittee Chair or Vice Chair

Apr 21, 2025
Date

Oversight Committee Approval:


Signature of Chair or Vice Chair

4-21-25
Date

2023 SPLOST Oversight Committee

Recommendation Memo

Date of SPLOST Meeting: 4/21/2025 Subcommittee: Transportation

Action Recommended to Board of Commissioners:

Motion to approve funding for the Sigman Road Project for Phase 4 and Phase 3B for the

beginning of Right of way acquisition. Funding of \$1.5M is requested for each phase.

The total requested funding for the Right of way acquisition is \$3M total as funds become available.

Budgeted amount for action: \$3,000,000.00

Subcommittee Approval:


Signature of Subcommittee Chair or Vice Chair

Apr 21, 2025
Date

Oversight Committee Approval:


Signature of Chair or Vice Chair

4-21-25
Date