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City moves toward second phase of road paving

Stonecrest, GA – Mayor Jason Lary and the city council voted, at Monday’s city council meeting, to move into the city’s second phase of road paving which will cover large portions of Salem, Rockland, and Thompson Mill roads. The paving will begin in August and will be completed by November 22, 2019. The city’s first paving phase finalized this week with the completion of a full-depth reclamation project on the south end of Turner Hill Road.

The roads were selected from a Pavement Condition Index score provided by Stantec Inc., the company hired to complete a digital road analysis for the city. The PCI scores ranked the cities worst streets and gave city staff recommendations and a budget for systematically repairing or repaving the roads. According to Deputy City Manager Plez Joyner, the new paving project will pave roads in each of the city’s five districts.

Blount Construction Company, the same company that recently paved 18 city streets won the bid for phase two of the paving project. City staff recommended the company after reviewing their qualifications, current work, and their lowest bid of \$2.2 million. When the second phase of paving is completed, the city will have paved 8.4 miles. “We have listened to our residents and wisely spent our tax dollars to make sure our citizens are safe, and our roads are not the cause of automobile damage. This is a process that takes time. One lane mile of road reclamation can cost more than one million dollars. We will continue to use digital analyses and sound fiscal judgment to systematically get all necessary road work completed,” Mayor Jason Lary said. A Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) and a state Local Maintenance Improvement Grant (LMIG) funded the projects.

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