

MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING

August 2, 2017

The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, August 2, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. at the Williamson County Highway Department facility at 302 Beasley Drive in Franklin, TN. Commission members present: County Mayor and Highway Commission Chairman, Rogers Anderson; Commissioners Wayne Davis, Charles Wilson, Stan Tyson, and Charlie Bennett.

Also present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; Elaine Vasquez, Randy Hickman, Highway Department; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; Floyd Heflin, William Andrews, Engineering; Nena Graham, Budget Director; Robert Cook, County Attorney, Buerger, Mosely, and Carson, and other interested individuals.

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. and asked for the approval of the minutes of the July 5, 2017 Highway Commission meeting. Commissioner Tyson moved for approval, seconded by Commissioner Davis. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Special Announcements: There were no Special Announcements.

Citizen Communications: There were no Citizen Communications.

Elections and Appointments: There were no Elections and Appointments.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Request from Allison Pace, on behalf of Bethlehem United Methodist Church for approval to utilize Manley Lane, Jefferson Davis Drive, Bobby Drive, Overlook Drive, and Harpeth Hills Drive to conduct a charitable fundraising event called the Grassland Gallop, which will include a 6k run, 2k walk, and 1k kids fun run and will be held on October 21, 2017 beginning at 8:15 am. (Commissioner Wilson)(CC District 8, Sturgeon/Walton).**

Superintendent Hood recommended approval.

County Attorney Cook stated that all paperwork is in order.

Commissioner Tyson made a motion to approve utilization of the aforementioned roads in the Grassland Gallop event on October 21, 2017. It was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously, 5-0.

- 2. Request from the City of Franklin to annex a portion of Ridgeway Drive from Highway 96 East to October Park Subdivision. (Commissioner Wilson)(CC District 12, Ausbrooks/Smith).**

Superintendent Hood stated that he received an email from Mr. Paul Holson of the City of Franklin advising of their intent to annex Ridgeway Drive from Highway 96 to the October Park Subdivision, and added that he recommends approval.

Jimmy Wiseman of the City of Franklin stated that the land has been acquired. He added that he is in favor of open communication between the City of Franklin and the County Highway Board in situations such as this.

Chair Anderson stated that when a County road falls within the urban growth boundary, it can be annexed without approval from the Highway Commission. He added that he also is in favor of open communication between Williamson County and the City of Franklin.

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve the annexation of Ridgeway Drive from Highway 96 to the October Park Subdivision by the City of Franklin. It was seconded by Commissioner Tyson and passed unanimously, 5-0.

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Commissioner Davis: Commissioner Davis stated that Davis Hollow Road looks great.

Commissioner Wilson: Commissioner Wilson stated that his constituents in Chardonnay Subdivision are working on getting a traffic study done.

Commissioner Tyson: Commissioner Tyson stated that the Cottonwood and Cotton Lane residents are delighted with the paving job.

Commissioner Bennett: Commissioner Bennett was not aware of any road issues to report.

Highway Superintendent Report: Superintendent Hood acknowledged the July, 2017 Activity Report. He stated that paving is underway, and that the bush hog crews are running at full capacity.

Superintendent Hood also stated that he thinks it would be a good idea for the Highway Department to join the 811 Call Before You Dig Board. He stated that currently there are no counties involved in the 811 Call Before You Dig Board. The County is growing rapidly and it's becoming more and more difficult to keep track of the utility companies that are digging in the County Rights-of-Way. Membership would cost between \$40,000.00 and \$50,000.00 a year and would be well worth it to be able to keep track of the digging and installation of utility lines in our County Rights-of-Way. He added that the membership is renewable year to year and can be canceled if we decide that it isn't helpful.


Commissioner Tyson made a motion to approve Superintendent Hood's request to become a member of the 811 Call Before You Dig Board. It was seconded by Commissioner Davis and passed unanimously, 5-0.

Highway Chairman Report: Chairman Anderson had nothing further to present.

Legal Issues: County Attorney Cook had no legal issues to present.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 am.

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Rogers C. Anderson

Chairman and County Mayor