

MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING
October 4, 2017

The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, October 4, 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 Charles Wilson, Stan Tyson, and Charlie Bennett. Commissioner Davis was unable to attend.

Also present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; Greg Boll, Elaine Vasquez, Randy Hickman, Highway Department; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; Floyd Heflin, William Andrews, Engineering; Mike Matteson, Planning Director; Nena Graham, Budget Director; Leslie Mitchell, Purchasing Agent; LeAyn Barnhill, Gina Crawford, Benefits Department; Robert Cook, County Attorney, Buerger, Moseley, and Carson, and the employees of the Williamson County Highway Department.

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. and asked that everyone stand for a moment of silence followed by a prayer led by Commissioner Tyson in memory of Commissioner Lewis Green. Chairman Anderson asked everyone to remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Commissioner Wilson.

Chairman Anderson asked everyone to be seated and called for the approval of the minutes of the September 6, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Bennett moved for approval, seconded by Commissioner Tyson. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Special Announcements: Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Jim Barnhill, Mrs. LeAyn Barnhill, and Superintendent Hood to join him at the podium where Chair Anderson presented Mr. Jim Barnhill with a Proclamation of Appreciation for the lifesaving measures he took in performing CPR on Mr. Jerry Russell until Emergency Responders arrived to transfer Mr. Russell to the hospital.

Mr. Russell expressed his gratitude to Mr. Barnhill for saving his life.

Mr. Barnhill thanked the County for providing the First Aid and CPR Classes that taught him to respond to an emergency with life saving techniques such as CPR. He also thanked Brandon Wright for checking on him and ministering to him throughout the day.

Citizen Communications: There were no Citizen Communications.

Elections and Appointments: There were no Elections and Appointments.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Blake Turner with T-Square Engineering presenting a Traffic Impact Analysis for the South Creek Development located at 1994 Carter's Creek Pike. (HC Tyson; CC District 11, Beathard/Ryan).**

Mr. Blake Turner of T-Square Engineering appeared before the Highway Board requesting a traffic signal at the intersection of Southall Road and Carters Creek Pike, in conjunction with the South Creek Development which is across the street from the intersection. The traffic signal will increase functionality along with the added turn lanes in each direction of the intersection. Mr. Blake added that the Developer purchased the Bradley property to the Northeast quadrant of the project, and that the construction will take place in the opposite direction of the Halfway Market.

Mr. Collier stated that he took a look at the traffic study, and the intersection meets the requirements for a traffic signal. He added that the signal will improve traffic flow and safety and he reminded Mr. Turner that Carter's Creek Pike is a State Route. Any work done in the State Right-of-Way will require approval from TDOT.

Chair Anderson asked if the business owners and residents in the area were notified of the plan. He added that his concern is for the small business that will be impacted by the changes, and that the missing link in this request is that no one has met with the business owners.

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Superintendent Hood agreed with Chairman Anderson and asked that the Developer meet with the business owners before the Highway Commission approves of this improvement plan.

Mr. Turner stated that there is no design plan yet. A meeting with the residents and business owners will take place once a design plan is ready.

Commissioner Tyson made a motion to postpone approval of the improvements to the intersection of Southall Road and Carter's Creek Pike until a meeting is held with the residents and business owners in the area and until documentation of the meeting is provided. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed, 4-0.

2. Highway Bid for 2 dump trucks. (Leslie Mitchell/Greg Boll).

Superintendent Hood and the Purchasing Agent recommend the low bid submitted by Neely Coble.

Commissioner Tyson made a motion to accept the low bid submitted by Neely Coble. It was seconded by Commissioner Tyson and passed, 4-0.

3. Resolution 10-17- RESOLUTION TO LOWER THE SPEED LIMIT ALONG COX ROAD IN WILLIAMSON COUNTY. (HC Wilson; CC District 5, Green/Little).

Commissioner Wilson stated that he had several conversations with constituents who would like the speed limit lowered on Cox Road.

Superintendent Hood stated that this Resolution is for recommendation purposes only. The approval comes from the County Commission.

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to recommend lowering the speed limit along Cox Pike. It was seconded by Commissioner Tyson and passed, 4-0.

Highway Commission District Reports

Commissioner Davis: Commissioner Davis was not in attendance.

Commissioner Wilson: Commissioner Wilson had no road issues to report.

Commissioner Tyson: Commissioner Tyson spoke with a gentleman in his district about obtaining some traffic cones that would slow down the cut through traffic on his road from Sneed Road over to Hillsboro Road in order to avoid the Sneed Road/Hillsboro Road intersection.

County Attorney Cook stated that a traffic study supporting the need for the cones has to be conducted. He stated that the cones should be removable, and that a letter from the HOA to indemnify the County of any liability if someone hits the cones is required as well.

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

Highway Superintendent Report: Superintendent Hood acknowledged the September Activity Report and stated that finishing up paving projects before the cold weather sets in is a priority. He added that Bush hogging has slowed down because the grass isn't growing as fast. He added that there is plenty of road salt on hand to start the winter with.

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 9:03 am.

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Rogers C. Anderson

Chairman and County Mayor