

MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING

February 2, 2022

The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 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, Charles Wilson, Stan Tyson, Wayne Davis, and David Coleman.

Also present were: Highway Superintendent, Eddie Hood; Greg Boll, Brandon Wright, Highway Department; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; William Andrews, Floyd Heflin, Engineering; Nena Graham, Budget Director; Phoebe Reilly, Assistant Budget Director; Robert Cook, County Attorney, Buerger, Moseley, and Carson, and other interested individuals.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. and called for the approval of the minutes of the January 5, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Coleman moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Davis. The January 5, 2022 Highway Commission meeting minutes were approved unanimously, 5-0.

Special Announcements: There were no Special Announcements

Citizen Communications: There were no Citizen Communications.

Elections and Appointments:

<u>Highway Commission</u>	<u>Expiring Terms 3/31/2022</u>	<u>Nominations</u>
SW District 2 year term - expires 3/2024	Wayne Davis	Wayne Davis
SE District 2 year term – expires 3/2024	David Coleman	David Coleman

Commissioner Tyson moved to nominate Wayne Davis for another two year term as Highway Commissioner in the SW District. It was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously, 5-0.

Commissioner Wilson moved to nominate David Coleman for another two year term as Highway Commissioner in the SE District. It was seconded by Commissioner Tyson and passed unanimously, 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no New Business.

Highway Commission District Reports:

Commissioner Coleman: Commissioner Coleman had no road issues to report. He requested a road list by district.

Commissioner Tyson: Commissioner Tyson commented on the snow and ice removal from the recent winter weather event and thanked the Highway Department for a job well done. He requested a copy of the road list by district with a summary of the number of miles per district.

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

Commissioner Davis: Commissioner Davis commented on the snow and ice removal from the recent winter weather event and thanked the Highway Department for a job well done.

Highway Superintendent Report: Superintendent Hood reported that the Department used 2600 tons of road salt in the recent snow and ice event and thanked the crews for their hard work and dedication. He reported that the crews are now busy patching all the potholes that formed after the snow and ice event. He also reported that Holly Tree Gap Road will be closed during Spring Break, March 14th – March 18th for Harpeth Valley Utility District and Garney Construction to install a waterline. Superintendent Hood also reported that the Whiskey Odyssey Event was cancelled. He then called on Chad Collier to give an update on some of the projects from the Major Corridor Study.

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Mr. Collier of Collier Engineering began with the Arno Road projects. He stated that the Page High School area project is finished. All that's left to do is some follow up paperwork. He stated that the 840 portion and the Highway 96 portion of the project has been more challenging due to some changes in the permitting process. He stated that the construction on the ramps will have to be contracted out. The Highway Department will be doing the rest of the construction in those areas.

Mr. Collier stated that the round-about design is complete for the Farmington project. He added that a utility pole and monument need to be moved and some right-of-way still needs to be acquired. He projected that the project could be started later in the year with the Highway Department doing the construction.

Mr. Collier reported that the Henpeck Lane and Coleman Road intersections with Highway 31 will be taken over for Construction and paid for by TDOT.

Mr. Collier mentioned Clovercroft Road at the Wilson Pike intersection and stated that there is still some design work to be done. He then went on to report on Sneed Road. He stated that the Temple Road Intersection project at Sneed Road and the Harpeth River bridge project are not included in the offsite road improvements that are to be completed by the Stephens Valley Subdivision developers. He added that he has re-applied for a grant to help with the cost of the bridge.

Commissioner Tyson asked Mr. Collier how many lanes the new bridge on Sneed Road will accommodate. Mr. Collier stated that the new bridge will initially be two lanes but will eventually be able to accommodate five lanes.

Commissioner Tyson asked how many accidents have happened on Arno Road along the Page High School section since the project was completed. Superintendent Hood stated that there have been no accidents reported since completion.

Commissioner Tyson and Commissioner Coleman both asked questions regarding budgeting and the financing of the projects that are being addressed by the Major Corridor Study.


A discussion ensued regarding the various funding programs and grants from Federal and State entities and the way they are disbursed.

Highway Chairman Report: Chairman Anderson reported on salaries for County employees. He stated that there are many open positions within the County that aren't being filled and the County is also losing employees to higher paying jobs. He stated that he will be taking a plan before the Budget Committee whereby every employee will get a mid-year dollar an hour pay increase and then a two percent annual increase. He stated that this is the second year in a row that employees have received a mid-year pay increase and an annual increase. He added that law enforcement and 911 emergency employees will get a six percent salary increase and that jail employees will see a little more of an increase than the six percent. He stated that only Elected Officials are exempted from the salary increases and added that funding for the pay increase plan is in place.

Legal Issues: There were no legal issues to present.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:15 a.m.

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Rogers C. Anderson
Chairman and County Mayor