

## MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING

August 3, 2022

The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, August 3, 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, Stan Tyson, Wayne Davis, David Coleman, and Charles Wilson.

Also present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; Greg Boll, Elaine Vasquez, Brandon Wright, Highway Department; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; Floyd Heflin, Engineering; Phoebe Reilly, Budget Director; Leslie Mitchell, Purchasing Agent; Commissioner Lothers, District 5; Commissioner Rainey, District 8; 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 July 6, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Davis. The July 6, 2022 Highway Commission meeting minutes were approved unanimously, 5-0.

**Special Announcements:** There were no Special Announcements.

**Citizen Communications:** Tom Davis, 1164 Forest Drive, requested acceptance of Forest Drive into the County road system. He expressed concerns about emergency response should the road require closing for repairs. He stated that the alternate route to get to Forest Drive is a long way around and would add 20 minutes to any emergency response time. Mr. Davis presented a letter written to Commissioner Tyson from Kingston Springs Commissioner Carolyn Clark and read an excerpt from the letter. (Correspondence is attached).

Commissioner Beth Lothers, District 5, stated that Scott Alexander had a family emergency and will not be able to attend the meeting today to discuss item one on the agenda.

**Elections and Appointments:** There were no Elections and Appointments.

**OLD BUSINESS:** There was no Old Business.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **A Request from Scott Alexander, on behalf of the Nolensville Running Club, to utilize Kidd Road, McFarlin Road, Fly Road, Rocky Fork Road, and York Road which are more specifically described in the attached map, to conduct the annual Rollin Nolen 10 Mile Run, a charitable fundraising Event to be held on October 22, 2022 beginning at 7:00 am and concluding at 11:00 am. (HC Wilson; CC District 5, Lothers/Little).**

Superintendent Hood recommended approval.

Commissioner Tyson voiced concern about approving this request unless permission is granted from the State for the use of their roads.

County Attorney Cook stated that the vote being taken today is for the use of County roads as outlined in the request. Mr. Cook also stated that all required paperwork is in order.

Commissioner Wilson moved for approval of the request for the Nolensville Running Club to utilize the aforementioned County roads to conduct the annual Rollin Nolen 10 mile run on October 22, 2022. It was seconded by Commissioner Coleman and passed unanimously, 5-0.

2. **Brandon Baxter of Ragan Smith, presenting offsite road improvement plans at Nash Ridge Subdivision for Serenity Trust. (HC Wilson; CC District 8, Rainey/Sturgeon).**

Superintendent Hood and Staff recommend approval.

Commissioner Tyson had a concern about the traffic light. Mr. Heflin stated that the traffic light was approved by TDOT and is already in place.

Commissioner Wilson moved for approval of the offsite road improvement plans for Nash Ridge Subdivision. It was seconded by Commissioner Coleman and passed unanimously, 5-0.

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**3. REPORT FOR ACCEPTANCE OF FOREST DRIVE AS PART OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (HC Tyson; CC District 1, Jones/Jones).**

Superintendent Hood and Staff recommend acceptance.

**Superintendent Hood** stated that this situation was first discovered earlier this year when someone applied for a zoning certificate to put in a driveway. When investigating for the permit to be issued, it was discovered that Forest Drive is not in our County road system. It was then referred to County Attorney Cook.

**Mr. Cook** stated that this is a unique situation in that Forest Drive is a public road but not a County road. He went on to explain that the County should first accept the Report for Acceptance, then approve the Resolution that will follow this report to place the road in the County road system so that the bridge can be attended to.

**Commissioner Tyson** asked if Forest Drive meets the criteria to be accepted into the County road system considering that the bridge is in questionable condition.

**Mr. Cook** stated that the condition of the bridge is not a requirement for acceptance under the Private Act.

**Commissioner Tyson** asked about the sign that someone posted on the bridge.

**Mr. Cook** stated that he contacted this person's Attorney and the sign will come down.

**Commissioner Tyson** asked if the bridge is to be replaced at an estimated cost of \$700,000.00, will the funding be available?

**Chairman Anderson** stated that the bridge will more than likely have to be replaced based on the observations of Superintendent Hood. He added that first and foremost the road needs to be accepted into the County road system. Funding for the bridge is available through the fund balance, however; there are also funds that will be available through The American Rescue Fund and some of those funds could possibly be used to rebuild the bridge.

**Commissioner Tyson** then asked about liability in the event of an accident in the interim between accepting the road and the time the road is closed.

**Chairman Anderson** stated that the County is doing the right thing by accepting the road and subsequently rebuilding the bridge and does not think the County will be liable based on its good faith effort.

**Mr. Cook** stated that the road will be closed upon an engineering recommendation.

Commissioner Tyson moved for acceptance of the Report for Acceptance of Forest Drive as part of the County road system. It was seconded by Commissioner Davis and passed unanimously, 5-0.

**4. Resolution 8-22-xx RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LOCAL AGENCY PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTION FOR STATE PROJECT # 94LPLM-3S-135.**

Superintendent Hood stated that this Resolution is for the crosswalk at Grassland. He stated that 5% matching funds will come from the grant, another 5% will come from Schools, and the rest of the funds will come from Highway privilege tax. Superintendent Hood recommended approval.

Commissioner Wilson moved for approval of Resolution 8-22-xx. It was seconded by Commissioner Tyson and passed unanimously, 5-0.

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**5. Highway Bid Presentation (Mitchell/Boll)**

Ms. Mitchell presented the bid for concrete box beams for the Bellenfant Road Bridge. She pointed out a discrepancy in the total number of partial depth precast deck panels. It was originally bid out for 110 deck panels however; the project will require 992. Ms. Mitchell and Superintendent Hood recommend the bid submitted by Construction Products in the amount of \$178,383.96.

Commissioner Coleman moved for acceptance of the bid submitted by Construction Products in the amount of \$178,383.96. It was seconded by Commissioner Tyson and passed unanimously, 5-0.

**Highway Commission District Reports:**

**Commissioner Coleman:** Commissioner Coleman had no road issues to report.

**Commissioner Tyson:** Commissioner Tyson had no road issues to report except for Forest Drive.

**Commissioner Wilson:** Commissioner Wilson reported issues on Warren Road.

**Commissioner Davis:** Commissioner Davis complimented the paving in Fairview.

**Highway Superintendent Report:** Superintendent Hood reported on oil and chipping Kinnie Road and other paving projects. He reported on the status of the Bellenfant Road Bridge.

**Highway Chairman Report:** Chairman Anderson invited everyone to come out to the County Fair which will be starting on Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>.

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

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:05 a.m.

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**Rogers E. Anderson**  
**Chairman and County Mayor**

