

MINUTES OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING

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The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, October 6, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. at the Williamson County Highway Department facility at 302 Beasley Drive in Franklin, TN. Commission members present were: County Mayor and Highway Commission Chair Rogers Anderson; Commissioners Charlie Bennett, Dick Fowlkes, and Stan Tyson.

Also, present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; County Commissioner Betsy Hester; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; William Andrews, Engineering; Michael Matteson, Planning Department; Elaine Vasquez, Ray Campbell, Greg Boll, and Randy Hickman, Highway Department; County Attorney Bobby Cook, Buerger, Moseley and Carson; David Coleman, Leslie Mitchell and Nena Graham, Accounting Department; Carol Edwards, County Mayor's Office; Wayne Davis; Gary Rice; and other interested and concerned individuals.

Chair Rogers Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. and asked for approval of the September 1, 2010 Highway Commission minutes. Commissioner Fowlkes moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Tyson. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Special Announcements: Chair Anderson stated that the potential nominees would have three to five minutes during Elections and Appointments each to speak to the Highway Commission about their background and interest in the position of southwest highway commissioner.

Citizens Communications: There were none.

Elections and Appointments: Chair Anderson stated that the Highway Commission would send their recommendation to the County Commission as they have the final authority on replacing Mr. Baker in the southwest district.

The first nominee, Wayne Davis, 3761 Robinson Road, Thompson's Station, spoke about his experience with Middle Tennessee Electric Corporation before retiring after 38 years. Mr. Davis stated that he was born and raised in Williamson County, went to Franklin High School, has been married for 42 years and was a Vietnam Veteran. He stated that Mr. Baker was his wife's stepfather. He stated that he desired to replace Mr. Baker as a highway commissioner to represent his end of the County and he would like the board's consideration as it is an important job.

The second nominee, Gary Rice, 3893 Perkins Road, Thompson's Station, spoke to the Highway Commission about his background as the owner of Rice Electric for 42 years. Mr. Rice stated that he had been a trustee at his church, on the board of Keep Williamson Beautiful, a veteran, married with children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. He stated that he feels he would be beneficial in saving money with his ability to read profit and loss statements. He concluded by stating he would appreciate the support of the board and would do his best to fill the position.

Chair Anderson opened the floor for nominations to fill Mr. Baker's unexpired term until March 2012. Commissioner Tyson moved to nominate Mr. Wayne Davis to fill the unexpired term in the Southwest District, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. There were no other nominations. The motion to recommend Mr. Davis passed unanimously, 4-0.

Chair Anderson encouraged both nominees to attend the October 11, 2010 County Commission meeting in case there were questions. He stated that others could be nominated from the floor of the County Commission.

OLD BUSINESS: There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 10-10-10. **RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING AND AMENDING THE 2010-11 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BUDGET BY \$129,313 FOR PAVING EXPENSES – REVENUES TO COME FROM ROAD MAINTENANCE BOND.** Commissioner Tyson moved for approval, seconded by Commissioner Bennett.

Supt. Hood stated that the money was coming from Mallory Valley's letter of credit and that the road is currently being oil and chipped on the south end and they are working on the north end. This resolution puts their bond money into the operating budget to complete the Beech Creek paving.

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The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Highway Commission District Reports. There were no reports.

Highway Superintendent Report. Supt. Hood stated that besides the work on Beech Creek, Old Highway 96 will be worked on next. Old Highway 96 is the longest county road on record at over 8 miles.

Commissioner Tyson asked if the flood cleanup had been completed to which Supt. Hood stated that it had. Discussion was held on the potential reimbursement from FEMA once the paperwork had been completed and submitted.

Supt. Hood stated that the Highway Department needs to be involved with the School System in the Clovercroft Road area where the new school at Breezeway is to be built. Chair Anderson suggested that Supt. Hood contact Kevin Fortney, the Facilities Director with the Williamson County Schools to coordinate this effort.

Mr. Boll stated that the flood gauges were up on Del Rio Pike, but not yet operational.

Highway Chairman Report. Chair Anderson read an e-mail from the Zieman family thanking all who had a hand in the road improvements in the Clovercroft, McEwen and Wilson Pike areas.

Legal Issues. There were no legal issues.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:50 a.m., upon duly made motion and second, as there was no further business.

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Rogers C. Anderson
Chairman and County Mayor