

MINUTES OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING

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The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, June 1, 2011 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, Wayne Davis, Dick Fowlkes, and Stan Tyson.

Also present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; William Andrews and Floyd Heflin, Engineering; Joe Horne and Mike Matteson, Community Development Office; David Coleman and Nena Graham, Accounting Department; Elaine Vasquez, Ray Campbell, Greg Boll and Randy Hickman, Highway Department; Bobby Cook, Buerger, Moseley and Carson; and Amy Burch, P.E., representing RPM Transportation Consultants, LLC., 2000 Eastland Ave., Nashville, TN.

Chair Rogers Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. and asked for approval of the April 6, 2011 Highway Commission minutes. Commissioner Bennett moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Fowlkes. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Special Announcements: Chair Anderson welcomed former County Executive, Robert Ring. Mayor Anderson also announced a reception honoring Superintendent Hood for thirty years of service with the Highway Department. The reception will be held from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 6th, prior to the July Highway Commission meeting.

Citizens Communications: There were none.

OLD BUSINESS: There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 6-11-5. RESOLUTION TO LOWER THE SPEED LIMIT ALONG A SECTION OF CLOVERCROFT ROAD IN WILLIAMSON COUNTY. Commissioner Fowlkes moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Tyson. Superintendent Hood explained that currently there are four subdivisions and one new school scheduled to open in August, 2011 in the area between Tulloss Road and Wilson Pike on Clovercroft Road. Due to an anticipated increase in traffic in this area, it is recommended that the speed limit be reduced from 40 miles per hour to 30 miles per hour. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

RESOLUTION 6-11-17. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION. Commissioner Tyson moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Fowlkes. Chairman Anderson reviewed the history of vehicle emission testing in Williamson County which is required by the State of Tennessee and enforced by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. The contract for emission testing is required to be renewed every five years with the current contract expiring June 30, 2011. Chairman Anderson further discussed experimental testing with mobile units currently being conducted in Williamson County. This mobile testing unit will allow vehicles to be tested in various locations throughout the county with test results, after two tests, being forwarded to both the County Clerk's office and the owner's address. The motion to approve the renewal of the contract for the enforcement of vehicle emissions testing passed unanimously, 5-0.

RESOLUTION 6-11-19. RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2010-11 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGETS TO APPROPRIATE UP TO \$650,000 FOR HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT PURCHASES – REVENUES TO COME FROM UNAPPROPRIATED HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE. Commissioner Fowlkes moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. Superintendent Hood stated that three dump trucks, four pick-up trucks, and two tractors with bush hogs have exceeded their life cycle and require replacement. The funds for this purchase are available in the Highway fund balance. The retired equipment will be declared surplus property. with proceeds being returned to the Highway fund. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

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RESOLUTION 6-11-20. RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2010-11 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE UP TO \$150,000 FOR REPLENISHMENT OF ROAD SALT – REVENUES TO COME FROM UNAPPROPRIATED HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE. Commissioner Tyson moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Fowlkes. Superintendent Hood stated that a second shed has been constructed to store salt for upcoming inclement weather. It will be advantageous to purchase salt at this time to receive a more competitive price. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Request by David Scott, Bauer Askew Architecture PLLC, for School Signage on Sneed Road at Holy Trinity Montessori School. Commissioner Fowlkes moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. Chair Anderson recognized Amy Burch, P.E., representing RPM Transportation Consultants, Inc. Ms. Burch reported that a traffic study conducted by RPM in February, 2011 indicates the increased traffic generated by the expansion of Holy Trinity Montessori School will be manageable. RPM recommends establishing a school area and the installation of a School Sign (S1-1) approximately 300 feet in advance of the western property line for eastbound traffic and approximately 300 feet in advance of the eastern property line for westbound traffic. It was also noted that the School Sign (S1-1) to the east of the school will be in Williamson County, and the sign to the west of the school will be located in Davidson County which will require coordination with Metro (Nashville) Public Works. Commissioner Tyson clarified that costs related to the sign will be the responsibility of Holy Trinity Montessori School. County Attorney, Bobby Cook, stated a resolution will not be required for the designation of a school area and the installation of the signs because the speed limit will remain the same.

The motion to approve passed unanimously, 5-0.

Highway Commission District Reports. There were none.

Highway Superintendent Report. Superintendent Hood reported that paving on Murray Lane will begin June 1, 2011.

Commissioner Tyson asked if proceeds from the sale of parking permits at County high schools can be returned to the county and applied to the cost of paving high school parking lots. Mayor Anderson replied that proceeds from the sale of parking permits are retained by the individual school. He further stated that the Highway Department paves school parking lots and is reimbursed by the Williamson County School System.

Highway Chairman Report. There was none.

Legal Issues. There were no legal issues.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:50 a.m.

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Rogers C. Anderson
Chairman and County Mayor