

Minutes of the Williamson County Highway Commission Meeting

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The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 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, Stan Tyson, Wayne Davis and Dick Fowlkes.

Also present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; Joe Horne, Community Development Office; William Andrews and Floyd Heflin, Engineering; David Coleman, Budget Director; Nena Graham, Assistant Budget Director; Leslie Mitchell, Purchasing Agent; Elaine Vasquez, Greg Boll, Brandon Wright and Randy Hickman, Highway Department; Bobby Cook, County Attorney, Buerger, Moseley & Carson; and other interested individuals.

Chair Rogers Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. and asked for approval of the minutes of the March 7, 2012 Highway Commission meeting. Commissioner Tyson moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Special Announcements: Supt. Hood announced that, due to the retirement of Ray Campbell, Randy Hickman has been promoted to Assistant Superintendent of Construction. In addition, Brandon Wright has been promoted to Assistant Superintendent of Operations.

Citizens Communication: There were none.

Elections and Appointments: There were none. Chair Anderson did announce that the County Commission confirmed the election of Charlie Bennett and Wayne Davis at the March County Commission meeting and that they were sworn in prior to the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: There was none.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion on Heroes 6K Run in Leiper's Fork. Supt. Hood explained that this group had previously held the race under similar conditions and that he was comfortable with the request. Mr. Cook stated that the group had agreed to sign the road closure agreement and supply insurance for the event on September 15, 2012. Commissioner Tyson asked about running the necessary advertisements in the paper. Mr. Jeff Skillen stated that they would post signs, get letters to the area residents and run advertisements in the paper. Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of the request for the Heroes 6K Run in Leiper's Fork on September 15, 2012, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Report for Acceptance of Legends Park Circle, Additions to Legends Ridge, Section Two, as a Part of the Williamson County Road System. Commissioner Fowlkes moved for approval of the report, seconded by Mr. Davis. Mr. Hood and Mr. Andrews stated that staff recommends approval of the report. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Report for Acceptance of Chapel Lake Circle, Additions to Legends Ridge, Section One, as a Part of the Williamson County Road System. Commissioner Fowlkes moved for approval of the report, seconded by Commissioner Davis. Mr. Hood and Mr. Andrews stated that staff recommends approval of the report. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Report for Acceptance of Canal Street, Nolita Court and Broome Street, Silverstream Subdivision Section Two, as a part of the Williamson County Road System. Commissioner Fowlkes moved for approval of the report, seconded by Commissioner Davis. Mr. Hood and Mr. Andrews stated that staff recommends approval of the report. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

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Report for Acceptance of Canal Street, Trivaca Lane and Trivaca Court, Silverstream Subdivision Section Five, as a part of the Williamson County Road System. Commissioner Fowlkes moved for approval of the report, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. Supt. Hood and Mr. Andrews stated that staff recommends approval of the report. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Bid Results. Mrs. Mitchell stated that the low bid for asset management was Public Works at \$55,975.00 with an annual support and maintenance cost of \$8,280.00 (Attachment A). Commissioner Tyson moved for approval, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. Mr. Boll explained that this was an umbrella system that will replace the CTAS system they currently use, and provide asset management with GIS capabilities. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Mrs. Mitchell stated that the recommended bid (and only bid) for concrete beams is Construction Products at \$23,871.70 (Attachment B). Commissioner Bennett moved for approval, seconded by Commissioner Tyson. Supt. Hood stated that the beams were for a bridge project east of Page High School which would begin after school is out for summer vacation and expected completion would be prior to school resuming in August. Further, he stated that they had obtained a construction easement to build a detour during the building phase. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Mrs. Mitchell stated that the recommendation for the crane for a service truck was Stringfellow at \$12,787.00 (Attachment C) as they were the low bid meeting specifications. Commissioner Bennett moved for approval, seconded by Commissioner Fowlkes. Supt. Hood stated that this was a needed piece of equipment. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Highway Commission District Reports: There were no reports.

Highway Superintendent Report: Superintendent Hood referenced the March and April 2012 Activity Reports and stated that they were going to start paving roads with LGIP account funds. In addition, he stated they were bush hogging and working on ditches.

Highway Chairman Report: The chair asked Mr. Heflin to report on the possible traffic issues at Coleman Road and Columbia Pike. Mr. Heflin stated that TDOT had previously performed a safety study which stated that the intersection doesn't warrant a traffic signal. In addition, TDOT has recently performed a speed study in the same area and determined that the speed limit does not need to be reduced.

Chair Anderson stated that the Highway Department received a Notice of Violation from TDEC in March, 2012 regarding an unauthorized stream alteration on Lane Road. Personnel from TDEC met with Highway Department representatives to conduct a compliance review on April 4, 2012 (Attachment D). A restoration plan for the section of stream that was altered must be submitted to TDEC. Supt. Hood explained that Collier Engineering was preparing the plan and will hand deliver it to TDEC by the end of the week. Further, he stated that while TDEC referred to it as a stream, it appeared to him it was a ditch that was cleaned out and rock was placed in the ditch.

Chair Anderson addressed a group of late arrivals to the meeting and gave them an opportunity to speak since they missed the Citizens Communications portion of the meeting. Mrs. Amy Jones, 5044 Abington Ridge Lane, stated that she represented the group and the Abington Ridge HOA. She voiced their concerns about traffic in the subdivision and incidents involving children. She stated that they had asked the Sheriff's Department to step up patrols in the neighborhood which has been done and many were ticketed for speeding. Mrs. Jones stated that they had conducted an informal traffic study and believed they had a true safety issue with speeding. While a stop sign may not be the solution to the speeding, she asked the Highway Department for their guidance to resolve the problem.

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Mr. Andrews stated that staff has been to the development and studied the plans. Based on their informal study, they have determined that a stop sign was not warranted on Abington Ridge Drive. He suggested that the residents attend this Highway Commission meeting to express their concerns so they could provide the HOA more information to make an informed decision.

Mr. Heflin stated that this was a similar situation to the Oxford Glen subdivision situation and reiterated that stop signs were not for speed control and that perhaps traffic calming measures should be considered.

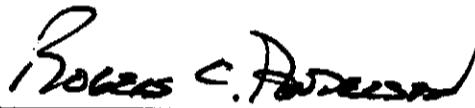
Supt. Hood stated that they would provide copies of the Traffic Calming Policy to the group after the meeting and that Commissioner Fowlkes was their Highway Commissioner.

Chair Anderson stated that this item will be back next month under Old Business for further review.

Legal Issues: There were none.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:05 a.m.

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Rogers C. Anderson
Chairman and County Mayor