

MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING

November 7, 2012

The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, November 7, 2012 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 Chair Rogers Anderson; Commissioners Charlie Bennett, Wayne Davis, Stan Tyson and Dick Fowlkes.

Also present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; Floyd Heflin and William Andrews, Engineering; Elaine Vasquez, Greg Boll, and Randy Hickman, Highway Department; Bobby Cook, County Attorney, Buerger, Moseley & Carson; Randy Carroll, Collier Engineering; 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 October 3, 2012 Highway Commission meeting. Commissioner Tyson moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Special Announcements: Mayor Anderson reminded those present of the Veteran's Day Parade scheduled for 11:00 a.m. on Friday, November 9th, in downtown Franklin.

Citizens Communication: Mr. Dan Solomon, 6639 Manley Lane, Franklin, discussed his concern about the lack of visibility at the intersection of Lynnwood Way and North Berry's Chapel Road and requested that consideration be given to the installation of a stop sign. He stated drivers in smaller cars have difficulty seeing oncoming traffic coming up the incline, whereas drivers in SUV's and larger vehicles have better visibility. He acknowledged the possibility of ice and snow affecting the flow of traffic but added that there are very few days when those conditions exist. Mr. Solomon further stated it is his opinion that the three-way stop sign located at Manley Lane serves no purpose, whereas, a sign at Lynnwood Way and North Berry's Chapel Road would be beneficial.

Chair Anderson thanked Mr. Solomon for his comments and advised him the request would be considered at the appropriate time during the meeting. With no one else wishing to address the Commission, Chairman Anderson declared Citizens' Communication closed.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Four Year Review of the Williamson County Regulations Governing Construction and Permitting for Work Within Williamson County Right-of-Way. Mr. Cook explained that the policy was adopted four (4) years ago and that no changes are recommended at this time. Commissioner Tyson made a motion to approve the Regulations. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis and passed by a unanimous voice vote, 5-0.

Acceptance of Maggie Court, Grey Cliff Court, Corinne Court and Durham Manor Drive, Durham Manor Subdivision, as a Part of the Williamson County Road System. Upon the recommendation of William Andrews and Superintendent Hood, Commissioner Bennett made a motion to accept the above listed streets into the Williamson County Road System. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fowlkes and passed by a unanimous voice vote, 5-0.

Highway Commission District Reports:

Northeast District – Dick Fowlkes – No Report

Southeast District – Charlie Bennett – No Report

Southwest District – Wayne Davis – Pleased with opening of State Route 840.

Northwest District – Stan Tyson – Mr. Tyson stated he received a call regarding improvements to Natchez Trace and also complimenting recent improvements to Moran Road. He informed the caller that Natchez Trace will undergo similar improvements in 2013.

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Highway Superintendent Report: Superintendent Hood acknowledged the October 2012 Activity Report and stated that he had spoken with Mr. Solomon regarding the installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Lynnwood Way and North Berry's Chapel Road and added that, in his opinion, a stop sign is not warranted due to the grade of the roadway. Randy Carroll, of Collier Engineering, stated he has inspected the area and determined there is not enough traffic from the side road to justify a traffic study. Randy Hickman stated there are two signs near Hidden Valley warning of the intersection. All parties were in agreement that Mr. Carroll will check the sight distance at the intersection, install traffic counters at an approximate cost of \$2,000, and advisory placards will be added to the existing signs. A follow-up report will be given at either the December 2012 or January 2013 Highway Commission meeting.

Mr. Hood also reported that curbing in Hillsboro Acres has been completed and paving is underway. He stated that Moran Road is now twenty feet wide and has been oiled and chipped; to date, no negative comments have been received. In response to a question from Mr. Tyson regarding reflective striping, Mr. Hood stated that the Highway Department uses ASHTO and TDOT approved striping, which costs approximately \$1500 per mile. He added that Thermo-Stripe is more expensive and lasts slightly longer.

In regard to the three-way stop sign at Manley Lane, noted earlier by Mr. Solomon, Mr. Heflin stated that the developer requested and funded the sign.

Highway Chairman Report: There was none.

Legal Issues: There were none.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:52 a.m.

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Rogers C. Anderson
Chairman and County Mayor