

MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING

March 1, 2023

The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, March 1, 2023 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, Charles Wilson, Stan Tyson, and David Coleman. Commissioner Wayne Davis was unable to attend.

Also present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; Greg Boll, Elaine Vasquez, Brandon Wright, Highway Department; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; William Andrews, Floyd Heflin, Engineering; Phoebe Reilly, Budget Director; Leslie Mitchell, Purchasing Agent; Wayne Franklin, Risk Management Director; 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 February 14, 2023 meeting. Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Coleman. The February 14, 2023 Highway Commission meeting minutes were approved unanimously, 4-0.

Special Announcements: There were no Special Announcements.

Citizen Communications: There were no Citizen Communications.

Elections and Appointments: There were no Elections and Appointments.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Resolution 2-23-2 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY, TENNESSEE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO REIMBURSE MULTIPLE FUNDS BY \$347,500.32-FUNDS TO COME FROM FEDERAL PASS-THROUGH GRANT.**

Superintendent Hood stated that this Resolution is to reimburse the Highway Department for expenses incurred during the 2021 Waverly Flood. He recommended approval. Commissioner Wilson moved for approval of Resolution 2-23-2. It was seconded by Commissioner Coleman and passed unanimously, 4-0.

2. **Resolution 3-23-22 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY MAYOR TO GRANT AN EASEMENT TO HB&TS UTILITY DISTRICT.**

Superintendent Hood stated that this Resolution will allow HB&TS Utility District to install a waterline on the south side of Harpeth School Road at no expense to the County. He recommended approval. Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of Resolution 3-23-22. It was seconded by Commissioner Coleman and passed unanimously, 4-0.

3. **Resolution 3-23-14 RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY APPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED \$850,000.00 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF A BRIDGE ON FOREST DRIVE – REVENUE TO COME FROM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS. (HC Tyson; CC District 1, Jones/Lenox).**

Superintendent Hood stated that ARPA funding will be used to replace the bridge on Forest Drive. He added that the bridge is 52 feet long and 30 feet wide. Collier Engineering did a cost analysis to replace the bridge which came to \$850,000. The construction of the bridge will be bid out. He recommended approval.

Ms. Reilly gave a brief overview of the ARPA Funds. She stated that ARPA funds are for improvements in the community such as improvements to storm water systems and infrastructure. She stated that each project has to be certified that it meets the standards set forth by the Federal Government. All funds must be committed by December 2025 and completely spent by December 2026.

Commissioner Tyson asked if more grant money could be accessed should the cost of the project run over budget. Chairman Anderson stated that the County will be responsible for anything over budget.

Mr. Collier stated that the project should be started by this time next year.

Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of Resolution 3-23-14. It was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously, 4-0.

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4. Resolution 3-23-21 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLS, ROADS, FIRE PROTECTION AND RECREATION.

Superintendent Hood stated that the 5-Year Capital Improvement Program is a yearly process where projections are made for equipment and other needs over the next five years. He recommended approval.

Ms. Reilly stated that the CIP is used as a tool to identify equipment or construction needs and then to identify funding for them.

Commissioner Coleman moved for approval of the 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan. It was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously, 4-0.

5. Hillsboro Road Multimodal Access Grant Proposal. (Leslie Mitchell).

Superintendent Hood stated that this Grant is for a crosswalk to be built across Hillsboro Road from Boxwood Drive to Manley Lane. He recommended approval.

Ms. Mitchell stated she received letters of interest from five Firms. The five Firms were narrowed down to three. Based on qualifications, Collier Engineering is recommended to be awarded the contract based on their proposal of \$138,790.00.

Commissioner Tyson moved for acceptance of the contract being awarded to Collier Engineering. It was seconded by Commissioner Coleman and passed unanimously, 4-0.

Highway Commission District Reports:

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

Commissioner Tyson: Commissioner Tyson had no road issues to report.

Commissioner Wilson: Commissioner Wilson reported problems among his constituents regarding the Hidden Valley round about. He had no other road issues to report.

Commissioner Davis: Commissioner Davis was unable to attend.

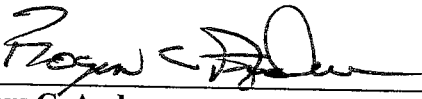
Highway Superintendent Report: Superintendent Hood acknowledged the February activity report and stated that a very busy paving season has started. He reported on being in Nashville the past few days at a House Transportation Meeting and spoke briefly about House Bill 321 known as the Transportation Modernization Act of 2023 and how it will help Williamson County and the State's traffic issues. He also reported that State Aid funding for Williamson County is proposed to be five million dollars.

Highway Chairman Report: Chairman Anderson reported that the County now has two employees who research and apply for grants to help fund potential projects. They have applied for two grants so far.

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

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:59 a.m.

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Rogers C. Anderson
Chairman and County Mayor