

Carter County Highway Committee

- Minutes of the committee meeting of September 10, 2012.
- Chairman Gebe Ritchie called the meeting to order at 10:00am.
- The roll call showed 7 committee members were in attendance, Robert Gobble, Russell Kyte, Jo Ann Blankenship, John Lewis, Gebe Ritchie, Steve Lowrance, Joel Street and Charles Von Cannon.
- The minutes of the July 9 meeting were approved on motion by Mr. Joel Street with a second by Mr. Steve Lowrance. The voice vote-All Ayes.
- Ms. Sonja Culler, the Secretary for the committee was absent so Chairman Ritchie appointed Mr.
 Charlie Von Cannon to record the meeting minutes.

Old Business:

- Mr. Street inquired about the change of Roaring Creek Rd. to Ripshin Rd or Ripshin Mountain
 Rd. Mr. Chris Sims of Carter County 911 indicated that all families living along the road from 19E
 South to A. E. Miller Rd. would need to:
 - ♦ Contact the Postal Department and complete a change of address form.
 - ♦ Contact the office of Randal Lewis (Trustee) of the address change for tax notices could be correctly mailed.
 - ♦ Address changes would need to be sent to electric, cable, water and other parties that bill each family, ie-insurance statements.
 - ♦ The date for the address/sign change will need to be established.
 - ♦ The full Commission will need to approve this change and also approve the County Highway Department Road List name change.
 - ♦ The name change would start at Highway 19E and end at A. E. Miller Rd. at this point Tiger Creek Rd. would loop south and east back to 19E.
 - Mr. Street made the motion to follow the advice of Mr. Doug Miller-19E to A. E.
 Miller Rd. Second by C. Von Cannon vote all ayes.
- Continuing with old business, Harvey Tester/Harry Cable water problems in Biltmore. Mr. Eugene Coleman of TH&P presented drawings of two (2) options to correct the flooding problems at the corner of Taylor Rd., and Cunningham Lane Rd.
- A separate proposal was presented to correct the problem on Hartley Dr. (Harry Cable).
 Extensive discussion concerning no tiles under driveways filled in ditch lines, etc.
 After a brief break Chairman Ritchie asked Mr. Coleman for his recommendation. Mr. Coleman indicated option #2 at a cost of \$44,500 would be the best solution. It was further pointed out, that other improvements on Taylor Rd. (South) would be necessary to yield a long range solution. Mr. Perkins was asked to look at the Taylor Rd. improvements necessary to adequately move the water to the Watauga River.

- Justin Markland of the Planning Department brought the recommendations that on unused dead end street Monument Court be divided between land owners, Beaty and Snell. The land accepted by each party would be added to their tax bills. Both parties according to Planning are in agreement with this arrangement.
- Mr. Jack Perkins was complemented for the Highway Department work after the recent Sunday storm, Warrior Lane and Smalling Rd. were mentioned.

Undermining of Greenlee Rd. at Joe Carr Bridge was pointed out; Sinking Creek at this point needs tree cutting attention.

Mr. Ritchie recessed the meeting to give Mr. Jack Perkins and Mr. Doug Miller time to evaluate the TH&P recommendation; the same members will be called back in session by Chairman Ritchie. No adjournment motion was made since the committee will reconvene at a later date.

Respectfully Submitted by

Gebe Ritchie, Chairman

Charles D. Von Cannon, Secretary

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October 18, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Name Change of Roaring Creek Road to Ripshin Mountain Road

Please be advised that in the Regular Session of the Carter County Commission on Monday, October 15, 2012 a motion was made by Gebe Ritchie on behalf of the Highway Committee and seconded by John Lewis to approve the name change of Roaring Creek Road to Ripshin Mountain Road by majority voice vote, motion passed.

Highway Committee Chairman, Gebe Ritchie at that time also indicated (as was noted in the Highway Committee Meeting on 09-10-12) that all families living along the road from 19E South to A.E. Miller Rd. would need to:

Contact the Postal Department and complete a change of address form.

Contact the office of Randal Lewis (Trustee) of the address change for tax notices being correctly mailed.

Address changes would need to be sent to electric, cable, water and other parties that bill each family, ie-insurance statements.

The date for the address/sign change will need to be established.

The County Highway Department Road List name changed.

This name change would start at Highway 19E and end at A.E. Miller Road at this point Tiger Creek Road would loop south and east back to 19E.

Sincerely,

Mary Gouge Carter County