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Carter County Highway Committee
Feb. 13, 2012

Meeting called to order by Chairman Ritchie.
Roll Call:
J. Lewis
S. Lowrance
E. Ritchie
R. Renfro
C. Von Cannon
S. Culler
Richard Winters for Joel Street

Approved 3-12-12
Gen Ritchie

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Abs: Pat Hicks

Minutes of Dec. Meeting Accepted by a motion from J. Lewis and 2nd by S. Lowrance.
All ayes
Old Business

Harvey Tester, Biltmore Area, drainage problem. Mr. Tester reported that the highway dept had cleaned out some ditches, but after a rain the ditches filled up again. Mr. Tester addressed the audience; about how "sorry" the county offices were...not returning phone calls etc. He showed them pictures of the drainage problem and told them some offices of the county should not receive money since they are not doing their jobs.

Mr. Tester told J. Lewis that this drainage problem had been going on for 6-8 years and that it was a result of residence filling in the ditches so they could mow closer to the road. Mr. Ritchie explained to Mr. Tester, since he had had a lawyer contact the county attorney, that it was now up to the attorneys and Mr. Perkins to correct the problem.

John Runyon:
Concerned about the date his part of Runyon St became a county road. He was told with the road list was accepted at the last county commission meeting.

Mr. Perkins reported that the Railroad grade bridge had been repaired.

Concerns about Railroad Street, Hampton....road problems was created by WRRWA and they are to repair or pay for repairs. Mr. Renfro will discuss with M. Hughes of WRRWA and report back to committee.

New Business:

Jimmy Street:
Mr. Street has purchased the old motel in Roan Mtn and was requested the "unnamed" road in front of the property be closed. Mr. Street plans to demolished the motel and do

ground work on the property to improve it and to help with drainage problems. Chris Scheuttler, Planning Director reported that he had checked on the road and could not determine who owes it. Motion by J. Lewis to close the road, 2nd by S. Lowrance. All Ayes

Mr. Ritchie said he had learned of a drainage problem near the Roan Mtn. Pharmacy. S. Culler reported that Commission Joel Street told her that he would investigate this problem and told to the owners, then report back to the committee.

Bishop Road

Several members of the community had concerns about increase in traffic when a new Assistance Living complex (Mikkah's Meadows) is built. They also questioned if Johnson City would more likely annex the area with this growth. After much discussion about the road, a motion was made by J. Lewis and 2nd by R. Renfro to create a 3-way stop at the entrance to Mikkah's Meadows and Bishop Road. This was the recommendation of C. Scheuttler. It was also decided to investigate the cost and possibility of widening Bishop Road. All Ayes

Trudy Brumit:

Requesting a copy of the road list, which included her road, Wildrose Lane. S. Culler retrieved a copy from the Highway Dept for Ms Brumit.

Ohio Street (central area)

Mr. Davis addressed the committee to request that Ohio Street, which has never been open be giving to he and his neighbor the committee requested a letter from both parties for this request.

John Snyder

Mr. Snyder requested the committee to accept his payment for work by the highway dept on the road and area at the house near the landfill that the County Carter Gun Club uses. Motion by J. Lewis, 2nd by R. Renfro All Ayes

Commissioner John Lewis addressed the committee regarding a drainage problem on Oscar Johnson Rd. Slim Miller reported to him that the problem was the resident had a small pipe going into the drainage pipe, and the highway dept had been up there several times.

Mr. Lewis also gave the members a letter from Pastor Mike Hyder regarding a drainage problem at Hampton First Bapt. Church. Slim Miller and Jack Perkins will investigate this concern.

Motion to Adjourn, R. Renfro.

Respectfully submitted,
Sonja Culler