

Carter County Highway Committee

March 13, 2017

2:00 p.m.

Commissioner Hill called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Present: Collins, Dietz, Hill, Peters, VonCannon, Ward

Absent: Peters, Simerly

Motion to move #7 Citizen Road Concerns and Communications to after Public Comments by Commissioner Hill, 2nd by Commissioner Von Cannon. Voice Vote: All Ayes: Motion Passed

1. Motion to approve the previous minutes of previous meeting by Commissioner Dietz, 2nd by Commissioner Miller. Voice Vote: All Ayes: Motion passed
2. Motion to approve current meeting agenda by Commissioner Miller, 2nd by Commissioner Dietz. Voice Vote: All Ayes: Motion Passed
3. Public Comments
No public comments

Citizen Road and Concerns and Communications (#7) Moved

Flooding concerns:

- Charmaine Gentz (270 Ingram Branch Rd.) voiced concerns about flooding and a drain pipe not large enough to handle all the drainage. This problem is causing damage to her property, an outside building and a retaining wall. Mrs. Gentz asked that the highway department try to replace with a larger drainage pipe and angle the pipe in a different direction to protect the retaining wall.
 - Shannon Burchett from the highway department stated that the pipe could be replaced as long as there were no rock/boulders underneath the area, enough space for the pipe, and if funds were available.
 - Motion made by Commissioner Von Cannon to install a larger pipe across the roadway at a different angle. Motion Amended by Commissioner Ward to try to fix the problem as best as the highway department could. Taking into consideration the area the pipe will be placed, size of the pipe and rock/boulders underneath the area.
 - Discussion - Mr. Burchett stated that they would address the problem area and if the area was not big enough for a bigger pipe or rock was underneath, the existing pipe would have to be used, possible angling the pipe for better water flow. Voice Vote: All Ayes: Motion Passed

4. Old Business:

- Bear Cage Road request for maintenance — Johnson and Whitehead residences do not want snow removal but do need potholes patched.
- Lynnview Circle - Referred to next month's highway meeting.
- Dry Hollow Rd - no action taken
- IDEAS Group - Hampton Project
 - Carter County Board will vote on Thursday, March 16th to give the land to the county, as long as all criterias were met. The full commission will vote at next meeting.

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5. New Business:

- Motion made by Commissioner Dietz, 2nd by Commissioner Ward to have a public hearing on naming both sides of the bridge #10SR0600231 on SR 67 (crosses over Happy Valley Road) to LCP Harold W. Wilson. If only one side is approved the family asked that the East Bridge, the one closest to the school be the first choice. Voice Vote: All Ayes, Motion passed
 - Clayton Wilson represented the family, explaining that Mr. Wilson was a former student and athlete at Happy Valley High School before enlisting in the Marine Corp. Harold was killed in Vietnam on March 21st, 1966 while serving his country.
 - Discussion - It was explained that the family or parties sponsoring a bridge would be in charge of paying for the sign(s) and any upkeep. Also the request would have to go through the full commission and state department.
- Commissioner Miller requested that a guard rail and/or right of way be placed on Heaton Branch Road. Mr. Burchett stated that there was no shoulder to place a guard rail and no space on the other side for a right of way, due to the mountain wall. No action was taken.
- Commissioner Hill introduced the Dog Tag Brigade Veterans' project - it is a project for parking signs reserved for Combat Veterans that are available to be placed at county buildings as long as no handicap spaces are eliminated. Any representative from a county building or private establishment may request to place a sign in their parking area for \$50.00. Several county offices have already requested a sign.

6. Road Superintendent Colbaugh Report:

- Superintendent Colbaugh was unable to attend due to an illness, Shannon Burchett gave an update on the Stateline Project stating that was on track. He stated that the weather had been good and they hoped that would continue.

Public Comments Continued:

Several citizens came in after the time had passed for public comments, Commissioner Hill asked if they would like to speak. They represented the Laurel Highlands area requesting an update on the adoption of the Laurel Highlands Road being placed on the Carter County Road list. Mr. Burchett stated that the survey had been completed but no construction had taken place. No further action was taken.

8. Commissioner Comments: (#7 was moved)

- Commissioner Dietz requested that signs be placed on the curves on Alf Taylor Road. Mr. Burchett stated that many signs have been placed on the road over the years but are always removed or stolen. Mr. Burchett said they would try to put signs up.
- Commissioner Von Cannon discussed the Ridgecrest Drive parking issue. He stated that he would like for the issue to be placed on next month's agenda.

Motion to Adjourn made by Commissioner Hill seconded by Commissioner Deitz.

Voice Vote: All ayes, Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:56 p.m.