

**Newberry County Public Works and Planning Committee
Minutes
Monday, August 19, 2013**

Members Present: Mr. Scott Cain, Mr. Steve Stockman, Mr. Bill Waldrop, Mr. Kirsey Koon

Others in Attendance: Wayne Adams, Mike Pisano, Johnny Willis, Jay Tothacer, George Mack, Debra Strickland, Phil Strickland, Jimmy Wallace, Sandy Wallace, Louis Moreland, Sandra Moreland, Tommy Amick, Patrick Meetze, Ervin West, Paula Spradley, Anne Peters, Larry DeHart, and Laurie Renwick

1. Call to Order

Chairman Cain called meeting to order.

2. Approval of May 13, 2013 Minutes

Mr. Waldrop motioned to approve the May 13, 2013 minutes; seconded by Mr. Stockman. The vote was unanimous.

3. George Mack, Citizen - Discussion of Federal Lane

Mr. Mack introduced himself and asked the Committee if they could accept Federal Lane, a private road, into the county maintenance system. Mr. Mack stated that the road has 16 lots with homes on 13 of those lots.

The Committee stated that the road did not meet the qualifications to become a county road due to its condition. The Committee also shared that in order for it to be considered, the road would have to be brought up to county standards.

4. Phil and Debra Strickland, Citizens - Discussion of Flood Zone

Mrs. Strickland introduced herself and shared her concerns about the high cost of her flood insurance and why her house and her neighbors were located in the flood zone. Mrs. Strickland wanted a representative from FEMA to come down and explain this process and how they arrive with their information. After much discussion between the committee and Mrs. Strickland, the committee reiterated that the county was not responsible for determining who was or was not in the floodplain but would contact FEMA and ask if they could come and explain this to Mrs. Strickland.

5. Paula Spradley, Citizen- Discussion of Raymon Finch Drive

Mrs. Spradley introduced herself and shared her concerns about some drainage issues on her property with members of the committee. After much discussion, Mr. Stockman agreed to meet with Mrs. Spradley along with a representative from Alliance Engineers to evaluate and recommend possible solutions to her drainage problems.

6. Tommy Amick, Citizen- Discussion of Proposed Land Swap

Mr. Amick reported that he was interested in doing a land swap at the corner of Highway 34 and Wilson Road. Mr. Amick also stated that he was interested in possibly sharing the driveway on Dixie Dr. Mr. Amick stated that he would work with staff and engineers in order to make this happen.

7. Discussion of Maintenance and Improvement Prioritization for County Roads - Scott Cain, Chairman

Councilman Cain stated that he was interested in the county preparing some type of maintenance and improvement system for all of the county roads.

Mr. Pisano stated that there are 270 miles of roads in the county; 2/3 are dirt and gravel and 1/3 are paved. He said that Public Works would work on getting a system together to categorize and list the roads in an efficient manner and bring back to the committee.

8. Recommendation of Ordinance #08-18-13 amending Chapter 153 of the Newberry County Code of Ordinances amending nonconforming structures or uses to permit changes on lots containing less than two (2) acres, and for other matters related thereto. - Wayne Adams, County Administrator

Mr. Adams asked the Committee to entertain amending the zoning ordinances. He said Mr. and Mrs. Suber, who live on College St., would like to make an addition to their home for the arrival of a baby but are not able to do so under the current zoning. Mr. Adams presented a draft ordinance before the committee that would allow this process to happen.

Mr. Waldrop motioned to bring this to full Council. Mr. Stockman seconded. Vote was unanimous.

9. Public Works Update- Mike Pisano, Public Works Director

Mr. Pisano updated the Committee on the current Public Works projects. He said the Animal Shelter is almost complete and was \$100,000-150,000 under budget. He also shared that the specs for refining Berley Rd. Bridge would be bid soon. Mr. Pisano informed the Committee of the road projects that were funded by the County Transportation Committee. They are Hill Trace Rd., Blackberry Ln., Pineland Rd., and Maple Knoll Court.

10. Other Items

No other items.

11. Public Comments

No comments.

12. Adjournment

Chairman Cain adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Scott Cain, Chairman

Katherine Derrick, Recorder

APPROVED: