

PUBLIC WORKS & PLANNING COMMITTEE

September 4, 2012

6:00 p.m.

Courthouse

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Rhonda Allen
Commissioner Jack Black
Commissioner Tiffany Phillips
Commissioner Chantho Sourinho
Commissioner Robert Stevens
Commissioner Brad Turner
Commissioner Joe F. Jernigan, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess
David Jones
Greg Brooks
Rodney Hendrix
John Gaessler
Del Corbitt
Mac Nolen
Anita Dorman
Ruth Hendrix
Becky Shelton

Chairman Jernigan presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with all members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner Black moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to approve the minutes of the last meeting as mailed. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT:

There was no report at this time.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

Del Corbitt presented the Planning Commission report and subdivision lot inventory for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Stevens moved, seconded by Commissioner Allen, to approve the Planning Commission report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Corbitt next advised there will be a joint work session of the County Commission and Planning Commission on September 17, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. regarding the Zoning Resolution.

BUILDING CODES REPORT:

David Jones presented the Building Codes report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Allen moved, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve the Building Codes report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

CONVENIENCE CENTERS REPORT AND LANDFILL REPORT:

Mac Nolen presented the Convenience Centers and Landfill reports for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Stevens moved, seconded by Commissioner T. Phillips, to approve the Convenience Centers and Landfill reports as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

ADDRESS BY CITIZENS:

John Gaessler and Ruth Hendrix of Rockvale addressed the Committee regarding Highway 99 and the need for a turn lane into their

subdivision Clearidge at Clearidge Drive. Mr. Gaessler advised while traffic studies have been done of pieces of the area for the Dollar General Store or schools there has never been a traffic study on the entire road and there are now 70 houses and 5 businesses. Mr. Gaessler advised he was requesting a comprehensive traffic study of the businesses and residences in the neighborhood to see if someone should be required to put in a turn lane at Clearidge Drive. Ms. Hendrix advised although they have better visibility there are three crosses on the highway due to accidents and people go around cars on the shoulder of the road.

Chairman Jernigan advised he understood the State will be widening the entire road at some point so he did not think the State would be interested in doing a traffic study at this time. TDOT previously advised a turn lane was not required for the Dollar General Store. Additionally, this is a State road so the County cannot do anything.

Ms. Hendrix advised the turn lane into Clearidge was in the original Dollar General plans and she did not understand why it got changed.

Chairman Jernigan advised he thought the request needed to go to the Planning Department before coming to the Public Works Committee. Commissioner Allen advised the Commission can only hold the developer responsible for the road fronting on his property.

Mr. Gaessler and Ms. Hendrix were advised to contact Doug Demosi.

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Jernigan declared the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

JOE FRANK JERNIGAN, Chairman