

**PUBLIC WORKS & SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT  
COMMITTEE MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013**

The Public Works & Solid Waste Management Committee met on Tuesday, September 24, 2013 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:38 p.m. Mr. Cullum, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

M. Todd Cullum, Chairman	Debra B. Summers, V Chairman
Bobby C. Keisler	Johnny W. Jeffcoat
K. Brad Matthews	

Also attending: Joe Mergo, III, County Administrator; Chris Folsom, Deputy County Administrator; Randy Poston, Chief Financial Officer; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

**Laredo Road Proposed Closing - Council District 8 - Public Works - Wrenn Barrett, Director -**

Mr. Barrett presented a request for the closure of Laredo Road. He reported Mr. and Mrs. Peeples have filed a petition for the road closure through their attorney, Mr. Andrew Syrett. Laredo Road is 480 feet long and 30 feet wide with four properties bordering the road. Mr. Peeples owns two of the properties, one owner is in default and the other property owner has no objections. None of the bordering properties need road access. Mr. Peeples will be responsible for all costs associated with the road closure.

A motion was made by Ms. Summers, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend to Council that there is no objection to the closure of Laredo Road.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Matthews	

**Lexington County Land Development Manual Overview - Public Works - Wrenn Barrett, Director -**

Mr. Barrett and Ms. Beth Chesson, AMEC Environment and Infrastructure, Inc. Associate Water Resources, presented a Power Point overview of the Land Development Manual. AMEC is the company assisting Public Works with the manual and the County's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Permit. Mr. Barrett reported information provided would be primarily on buffer regulations comparing the County versus the state, stormwater detention and the unified sizing criteria. Ms. Chesson outlined technical details on the buffer requirements and the benefits of buffers beyond stormwater management. She reported for buffer requirements DHEC has a Construction General Permit effective January 2013 that contains unclear language regarding the application of buffers along surface waters compared to the County's buffer criteria that is more clearly defined. Ms. Chesson said stormwater programs do not stay the same as they are constantly evolving and being modified. She reported on the development of a stakeholder's group to make sure stakeholders in the community are involved and to provide feedback on the manual. Staff provided stakeholder's comments on the Stormwater Ordinance and

Land Development Manual for the Committee's review. The members of the stakeholders group are comprised of home builders, developers, regulatory agencies, and engineers who review and learn how the changes are going to impact their developments. Ms. Chesson provided the following list of the changes made: water quality volume, channel protection, overbank flood protection, and extreme flood protection. She said from May to August this year there were 327 drainage complaints as compared to 181 for the same time last year. Ms. Chesson reported that providing low impact development credits related to activities for natural area conservation, stream buffers, overland flow infiltration areas, and large lot development be considered for stormwater quality treatment credits in an effort to reduce the size of the total treatment and best management practices. Staff provided two examples of a residential and commercial development that reflected a 12 percent and a 40 percent reduction in the footprints utilizing the unified sizing criteria before running the credits available which would allow for further footprint reductions. Ms. Chesson discussed the new design criteria for the downstream analysis called the 10 percent rule. Staff will return with the draft NPDES MS4 permit in October. For information only no action taken.

**Old Business/New Business - Letters to Municipal Grants** - Mr. Barrett reported Public Works was preparing to send out the municipal grant letters in the upcoming week for \$50,000 in C-Funds. Grant submittals will be directed to Mr. Joey Derby, C-Fund Project Manager. Mr. Barrett said the letters will include the roads, procedures, state procurement law, and C-Fund law. Mr. Cullum encouraged the Committee members to tell their municipalities to pay attention to the procedure.

**Meeting of June 11, 2013 - Approval of Minutes** - A motion was made by Ms. Summers, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve the June 11, 2013 minutes as submitted.

In Favor:            Mr. Cullum                      Ms. Summers  
                         Mr. Keisler                      Mr. Jeffcoat  
                         Mr. Matthews

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee  
Assistant to the Clerk

M. Todd Cullum  
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett  
Clerk