

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
OCTOBER 23, 2007**

The Public Works Committee met on Tuesday, October 23, 2007 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:20 p.m. Ms. Summers, Committee Chairman presided.

Members Attending:

Debra B. Summers, Chairman
Bobby C. Keisler
William C. Billy Derrick

M. Todd Cullum, V Chairman
John W. Carrigg, Jr.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; 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.

“C” Fund Paving Issues - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director – Mr. Fechtel reviewed the “C” Fund paving issues previously presented to the Committee on September 26, 2006. This included paving requests for Clay Hill Road, Elbert Taylor Road, John Kinard Circle, and John Kinard Court involving right-of-way issues with the owners.

Staff was requested to look at alternate paving methods for Elbert Taylor Road, John Kinard Circle, and John Kinard Court, to include the extension of Clay Hill Road without needing the right-of-way, and return with an alternative price for all four roads instead of the projected \$1,600,000. In addition, staff was requested to develop a proposed criterion for paving portions of roads and addressing right-of-way issues in order to establish a County policy and bring back to the December 11 meeting. For discussion only. No action taken.

Approval of Minutes - Meeting of September 25, 2007 - A motion was made by Mr. Cullum, seconded by Mr. Derrick to approve the September 25 minutes as submitted.

The vote was in favor. Mr. Carrigg was not present at the time the vote was taken.

Old Business/New Business - Private Roads, Road Maintenance Fee Ordinance, Alternate Funding Sources, and Paving of Roads – Discussion continued on road maintenance fees, bonding issues, high costs of road maintenance, and competitive bids. Staff to bring back to the December meeting a list of roads ready to be paved with the costs involved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

Debra B. Summers
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk