

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 23, 2010**

The Public Works Committee met on Tuesday, February 23, 2010 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:55 p.m. Mr. Derrick, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

William C. Derrick, Chairman	John W. Carrigg, V Chairman
Bobby C. Keisler	William B. Banning, Sr.
James E. Kinard, 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.

Community Action for a Renewed Environmental (CARE) Grant Support Letter - Public Works - Synithia Williams, Environmental Coordinator - Ms. Williams presented a draft support letter for approval to the Central Midlands Council of Governments (CMCOG) for their Community Action for a Renewed Environment (CARE) Grant. She reported CMCOG is applying for the Environmental Protection Agency's CARE Grant and plans to implement the South Department of Health and Environmental Control's Breathe Better (B2) anti-idling program for schools in both Lexington and Richland counties. Ms. Williams said the program is an anti-idling/clean air campaign to reduce vehicle emissions around school campuses and Lexington County would be partnering with CMCOG by assisting DHEC on promoting the program to Lexington County schools. She pointed out that she revised the letter originally submitted for review from "diesel emissions from idling school buses" to "emissions from idling vehicles" since there is a state policy for school buses not to idle.

A motion was made by Mr. Banning, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend to full Council to approve staff's proposed grant support letter to the Central Midlands Council of Government for the Community Action for a Renewed Environmental (CARE) Grant.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Line Striping Project - Public Works - Randy Edwards, County Engineer - Mr. Edwards presented a proposal to adopt a line striping project in an effort to improve highway safety for unmarked roads throughout the County. Staff proposed the following criteria for roads to

be striped; A) Ditch section - stripe center and edge lines, B) Valley gutter section - stripe center only, C) High volume - stripe with raised pavement markers (RPM), and D) Low volume - RPM only. Mr. Edwards said the project would be placed out for bids and advertised as a Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) "set aside" in compliance with C-Fund regulations. Staff recommends allocation of up to \$200,000 from the remaining FY09-10 C-Funds appropriated for road resurfacing (present balance is \$1,195,657) for the proposed project.

A motion was made by Mr. Banning, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend that full Council approve staff's recommendation for the proposed line striping project and allocation of C-Funds.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - Traffic Congestion, Alternate Material for Road Swells, New Road - Corley Mill/Riverchase, Assessment of Ponds Inventory, Flooding Issues - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

William C. Derrick
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk