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Joel K. Street

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CARTER COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

AUGUST 12, 2013 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Lewis, Charles VonCannon, Robert Gobble, Buford Peters for Gebe Ritchie, Sonja Culler, Bobbie Gouge-Dietz and Vice Chairman Joel Street

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gebe Ritchie and Steve Lowrance

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Joel Street. After corrections were made to the minutes of July , a motion was made by Ms. Culler- seconded by John Lewis to accept the minutes and approve the August agenda. Motion carried all Ayes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mr. Rusty Barnett presented a petition of 22 names requesting to change the speed limit on OLD CHARITY HILL ROAD from 35 mph to 20 mph. Sonja Culler made the motion to reduce the speed--seconded by Buford Peters. Motion carried--all Ayes.

The highway department reported that the new tile has been installed at BROWN'S BRANCH ROAD. Ms. Culler thanked the highway department and Joel Street for all the work and time involved at Brown's Branch Road.

Doug "Slim" Miller from the highway department reported that a representative from Tysinger could not attend this meeting but would attend the September highway committee meeting.

Sonja Culler gave a report on the topic of placing a traffic light at the Happy Valley High School and Powder Branch Road. The University of Tennessee is to do a study of the area.

John Lewis reported that Bob Stout Construction and the city of Elizabethton had done some work on a county road next to Hampton Utilities and had left the road in unacceptable condition. Mr. Lewis made a motion to have Mr. Bowers write a letter to Bob Stout Construction and to Jerome Ketchens of Elizabethton, asking them to repave CROOKS STREET ROAD in Hampton--motion seconded by Robert Gobble. Motion carried- all AYES.

NEW BUSINESS: Residents from Brown's Branch, Braemer, and Biltmore asked the committee for help with drainage problems. Planning director, Chris Schuettler recommended that Tenn. Dept. of Transportation look at the tiles in the Braemer area. After much discussion, Ms. Culler made a motion to let Vice Chairman Joel Street and Highway Supt. Perkins investigate the ditching off MELROSE STREET in Hampton. Motion seconded by Buford Peters--Motion carried all Ayes.

Motion for 10 minute recess--all Ayes.

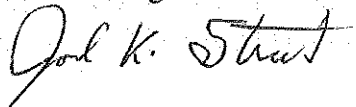
Meeting called back in session by Vice Chairman Joel Street

Mr. VonCannon reported that Mrs. Robert Sams, 1673 Old Bristol Highway (Bullocks Hollow), was concerned about a curve where numerous vehicle accidents had occurred. The highway department reported that a safety group was going to place new signs and guard rails in the area.. The highway department will follow-up on the area after the group has completed their work.

Several citizens informed the committee of problems in their areas. Most complained of ditch lines filled with debris. Bernie Taylor thanked the committee for the time and work spent to solve the problems caused by the heavy rains.

Vice Chairman Joel Street reported on ongoing projects. John Lewis made the motion to adjourn--Seconded by Sonja Culler. Motion carried - all AYES.

Bobbie Gouge-Dietz, Secretary



Joel Street, Vice Chairman

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