

Decatur County Board of Commissioners
Road Workshop
February 25, 2014
6:00 P.M.

Present: Chairman Frank Loeffler, Vice Chairman Dennis Brinson, Commissioner Russell Smith, Commissioner Butch Mosely, Commissioner Oliver Sellers, Commissioner Jan Godwin, County Clerk Beverly King, County Attorney Brown Moseley, County Administrator Gary Breedlove, Public Works Superintendent Dennis Medley.

Chairman Loeffler called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Chairman Loeffler recognized Road Superintendent Dennis Medley.

Mr. Medley presented the Board with an annual road and bridge report.

Mission:

- Provide and maintain a superior road system within Decatur County.
- Maintain effective cost analysis records
- Coordinate with both the State Department of Transportation and the Corps of Engineers

Goal:

- Provide the taxpayers of Decatur County with a safe and viable road system.

Total Roads:

- 227 Paved Roads and 295 Dirt Roads
- 315.95 paved miles and 360.80 dirt miles
- Total 522 roads and 676.75 total miles

Total Bridges:

- 15 Concrete Bridges
- 1 Wooden Bridge

Approved D.O.T. Projects

- 2013 – Safety Action Plan: 43.66 miles, \$149,207.50, contract awarded to Peak Pavement Markings – completed
- 2014 Safety Action Plan: 35.25 miles – awaiting contract
- 2013 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant: 2.83 miles Faceville-Attapulugus Road from SR 302 to Willacoochee Creek Bridge: 2.5 miles widen road 2 feet on each side, level, resurface & stripping. Cooler Road from Hanover Road for 0.33 miles to the south level, resurface & stripping
- Total Project: \$679,348.70 DOT Funded: \$518,493.95 County Funded: \$160,854.75 (Labor & Equipment Only)
- 2014 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant: 2.8 miles Faceville-Attapulugus Road from SR 309 to Attapulugus City Limits: 2.8 miles widen road 2 feet on each side, emplace #7 Seal Stone, level, resurface & striping Cyrene Road from Railroad tracks to a point 400' North, level and resurface
- Total Project: \$674,042.14 DOT Funded \$518,493.95 County Funded: \$155,548.19 (Labor & Equipment Only)

Proposed D.O.T. Projects:

- 2015 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant: 3.2 miles on Old Whigham Road from Palmer Road to the Bainbridge City Limits
- 2016 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant: 3.3 miles of Faceville-Attapulugus Road from SR 309 to the Willacoochee Creek Bridge. This will complete Facville-Attapulugus Road.
- 2015 Off System Safety Action Plan 36.39 miles

Completed County Projects:

- Roads stabilized with crushed concrete / GABC
- FEMA Property Demolition – 14 properties

- County Property Demolition – 707 Miller Avenue & 910 Anderson Street

Proposed County Projects:

- Stabilize Roads with crushed concrete / GABC
 1. John Rich Road from John Sam Road to Bennett Rentz Road
 2. Willow Road
 3. Boyd Road

Community Block Development Grant:

- Carters Mill Road and Beaver Circle: Widen, Establish Drainage and Pave 1.4 miles
- Total Estimate Costs: \$631,916.77
- Total Funded: \$495,363.00
- Difference: \$136,553.77

Proposed Community Block Development Grant:

- Simmons McIntyre Road and Alice Lane: Widen, Establish Drainage and Pave .80 miles

Proposed Golden Triangle Grant:

- Bowyer Drive: .0.20 miles, establish ditches, build up and shape road bed, emplace GEO Textile mat and 6 inches of GABC

Equipment:

- Items due on the five-year buy back for FY 2014-2015

FY 2013 Budget

- Ideal remaining percentage at the end of February 36%
- Actual remaining percentage at the end of February 42%
- 6% under current budget or \$132,775.00

Personnel Position Breakdown:

- 37 total positions
- 27 positions filled
- 10 vacant positions

Commissioner Sellers requested Mr. Medley to research the dollar amount to pave all the dirt roads in Decatur County as they are without right-of-ways and the possible funding sources; a loan or bond. Commissioner Sellers stated it could possibly save the County money in equipment and personnel.

Commissioner Sellers requested information from Mr. Medley pertaining to a pot hole machine that was previously discussed with the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Medley explained how he presently patches pot holes. Mr. Medley discussed a spray injection patcher that cleans, tacks, fills, and compacts in one continuous operation. A brief discussion followed.

Commissioner Mosely made a motion to allow Mr. Medley to spec out a spray injection patcher to receive prices and bring before the Board at the next Commissioners' meeting. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

Commissioner Godwin requested the road department be allowed to go on private property to clean up Poitevint Road that leads to Poitevint Cemetery. County Attorney Moseley stated with very few exceptions the County is not allowed to do work on private property. Mr. Moseley stated the Board of Commissioners passed an ordinance to that effect. Mr. Moseley stated the County would need a written request from the property owners and a Hold Harmless Agreement before it can even be considered.

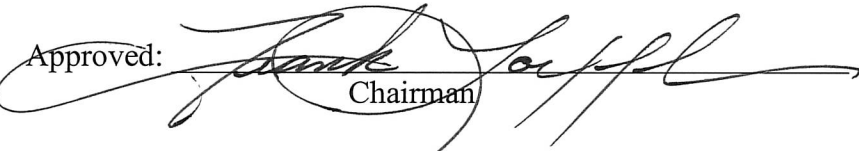
Commissioner Mosely requested that the Public Works Department do better maintenance on the roads and have a no non-sense approach for the employees.

Commissioner Godwin commended Mr. Medley and his staff for quickly responding to her calls for assistance on some roads in her district.

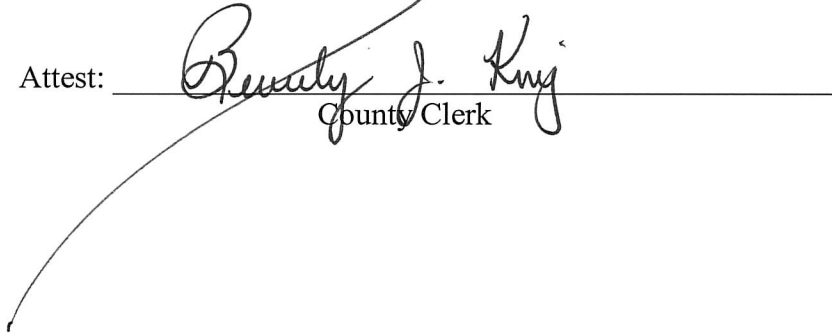
Commissioner Smith and Vice Chairman Brinson also commended Mr. Medley and his staff for their quick responses to their requests.

Chairman Loeffler thanked Mr. Medley for a very informative workshop. Chairman Loeffler called the work session adjourned.

Approved:


Chairman

Attest:


County Clerk