

VILLAGE OF WIMBERLEY
Transportation Advisory Board

Minutes of Meeting
March 28, 2007

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Mark Roden at 9:03 AM

PRESENT:

TAB MEMBERS: Bob Bullock, Kelly Kilber, Bert Ray, Mark Roden and Gene Woodruff.

CITY OFFICIALS: Mayor Tom Haley, Council Member Bob Flocke

CITY STAFF: Don Ferguson, City Administrator, Robert Ronson, Assistant to City Administrator, and Bill Bowers, Public Works Assistant

VISITORS: None

MINUTES:

Minutes of the March 14, 2007 meeting were reviewed and approved without change.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

A. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Transportation Master Plan Subcommittee: A current draft of the Plan was distributed. In order to expedite adoption of the most essential parts of the Plan, it will be organized and submitted in increments. The body of the Plan, plus the sections covering the Wimberley Valley Transportation Plan, and the Village of Wimberley Thoroughfare Plan will be presented to TAB at the next meeting on April 11.

If approved by TAB (with any suggested modifications) at that meeting, a Public Meeting will be scheduled at the TAB meeting on April 25.

If there are no significant changes from that meeting, the Plan will go to P&Z for review at their May 10 meeting. If approved by P&Z (with any suggested modifications) at that meeting, a Public Meeting will be scheduled at the P&Z meeting on May 24.

If the Plan survives this process, it will go to Council for a Public Hearing and (hopefully) adoption at the regular Council meeting on June 7.

2. Safe Routes to School Grant Program: It appears that the task of organizing the four affected entities (Hays County, WISD, Woodcreek and the Village) to develop a plan by mid-May is not feasible. There may still be an effort to apply for a grant to fund the preparation of a future application.

During a general discussion about this program, it was learned that WISD is looking into acquiring an alternative to Texan Blvd. for access to Scudder and Danforth schools. This could have a significant impact on the long-running TAB program to improve the intersection of Texan Blvd., Las Flores Dr. and RR2325.

B. PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS:

1. Flooding on the Blanco River: Bill Bowers reported that all three crossings were still closed. The debris had been mostly cleaned up, but there was one auto in the water.

2. Creek Crossing on Little Ranches Road: Several issues regarding this crossing were reviewed. There is uncertainty whether, at this location, the road is in or out of the City. Kelly Kilber will research this for next TAB meeting. There is also a question of the right-of-way width (if any), and whether there is room for a legal rail or barricade to prevent autos from driving into the creek. Warning signs and accident history were also discussed.

The City staff will look into this item and make a recommendation to TAB.

C. CITY ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:

1. Citizen Complaint Letters: Two Complaints were reviewed:

a. A letter representing 57 River Meadows property owners complained of speeding on River Road. They requested more speed limit signs and police patrols.

b. Some citizens of Mill Race Lane are concerned that the road is a hazard for pedestrians and cyclists, and request that the long-discussed improvements be undertaken.

The city Administrator said that the City will be in touch with the citizens and address these complaints.

D. WORK SESSION:

1. Accurate City Mapping: The need for accurate City boundary maps and a permanent monumentation network was discussed. The City Manager said that TAB needs to recommend that the City appoint a technical committee to look into this need. This will be a Consider and Act item on the next TAB agenda.

E. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

1. Leave of Absence: Charles Lancaster has requested a leave of absence for several weeks due to out-of-town business. The request was granted. Motion Kilber, second Roden, passed 5-0.
2. Emergency Planning Committee: The board voted to designate Tom Wallace to the proposed Emergency Preparedness Committee, and to act as a liaison between TAB and that committee. Motion Bullock, second Kilber, passed 5-0.

F. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None

G. ITEMS ON HOLD: None discussed.

H. SCHEDULED FUTURE MEETINGS:

1. April 11, 2007
2. April 25, 2007
3. May 9, 2007

I. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM

Submitted by Bert Ray, TAB Secretary

Approved at TAB meeting April 11, 2007