

**VILLAGE OF WIMBERLEY**  
**Transportation Advisory Board**

Minutes of Meeting  
February 25, 2004

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Corwin Vansant at 9:00 AM

**PRESENT:**

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

COUNCILPERSONS: Carroll Czichos

CITY STAFF: Steve Harrison and Rickey Wright

**MINUTES:**

Minutes of the February 4, 2004 meeting were reviewed and approved without change.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Ms. Merry Gibson and Mr. Herschel McCullough commented on the Mill Race Lane status. They have had a meeting and considerable communication with most of the adjacent property owners, although several are out-of-state and not available. They said that the general feeling is that the road was never deeded to the County and should revert to a private road. . In preparation for their previously scheduled appearance at the TAB March 10, 2004 meeting, Chairman Vansant asked that they continue to circulate a petition to verify this position, and to acquire documentation of rights-of ways and easements for both the road and the mill race

**A. REPORTS:**

1. Transportation Master Plan Subcommittee. Subcommittee members have each selected the organizations or resources which they will work with to acquire information related to area growth and long-range planning. Letters of introduction will be sent by the City Administrator to the appropriate resources.

2. Public Works Director. Several issues were discussed:

a. Traffic Control at River Road and Wayside Drive: The City Engineer is studying the project and will prepare a project description and cost estimate. The Village will also initiate talks with the adjacent owner, Carroll Czichos, regarding the details of removing a portion of the bank on the southwest corner.

b. TxDOT has responded to the letter from the Mayor regarding the possibility of the City obtaining access to a left-over parcel of State land when the Junction is redesigned in the future. Their letter says the State is required to give the controlling municipality the first option on acquiring such a tract, so Wimberley would be first in line.

c. A report on future growth needs prepared by a WISD citizens advisory group was reviewed. It was noted that the location of new school sites will have an impact on long-range transportation planning.

d. The time and location of a TxDOT hearing on the proposed Trans-Texas Corridor was announced.

3. City Administrator. Steve Harrison reported on the progress of the Blue Hole project. The City is in the process of engaging the Trust for Public Land to assist in the fundraising process.

**B. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

None.

**C. WORK SESSION:**

1. Special Events Ordinance. The City Administrator pointed out that the purpose of the February 4 review by TAB was misunderstood, and that the Board was requested to only comment on those items related to traffic issues. He pointed out that the Ordinance was drafted more than two years ago, that it was borrowed from another city, and that it needed tailoring to suit Wimberley. To that end, it was previously submitted to P&Z, EDAB and TAB. A re-review and memo of recommendation are requested and this subject will be an Action Item at the next TAB meeting.

2. Budgeting and Planning. The City Administrator said that this year the City is requesting budgets from the boards and commissions early enough so that they can be reviewed and adjusted before the final overall budget is set by Council.

Chairman Vasant distributed a series of sheets with past, present and proposed budget breakdowns for review. He also requested that other past budgets showing amounts carried forward be furnished to the Board. It was pointed out that unspent portions of transportation-related categories are carried forward as a "road fund" designated for emergencies.

TAB needs to develop a prioritized list of proposed projects, including their estimated costs, for use in developing a recommended budget. This will be a Work Item at the next meeting.

3. Handicapped Parking at the Square. There are several places in the Square where the current parking arrangements create traffic problems. This is especially critical in some handicapped parking areas. The Board agreed that there are two categories of information that are needed to address this problem:

a. Determination of the locations of private property and public property. The City Attorney is preparing an evaluation, so this will be a Future Agenda Item.

b. Because the recent detailed survey of the Square did not extend east of RR12, the information necessary to properly lay-out parking spaces and sidewalks in that area is not available. Consideration of a recommendation to Council to authorize a survey of the east portion of the Square will be an Action Item at the next meeting.

4. Improvements to Mill Race Lane. Several aspects of this issue were discussed. It was felt that it is not clear exactly what the property owners want or don't want----why do they want to consider leaving the lane essentially in its current condition and why do they want it to be a private road? The Director of Public Works agreed to discuss these questions with Ms. Gibson and Mr. McCullough before the next meeting. This will be a Work Item on the next agenda.

**D. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

None.

**E. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 11:05 AM

Submitted by Bert Ray, TAB Secretary

Approved at TAB meeting March 10, 2004

