

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

Minutes of Meeting  
October 25, 2006

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Corwin Vansant at 9:05 AM

**PRESENT:**

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

COUNCILPERSONS: Tom Haley, Mayor, Council Members Marilee Wood, Terrie Bursiel and Curt Busk.

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

VISITORS: Jennifer Anderson, Precinct Three Liaison, Kim Harrell and Sonja Simmons

**MINUTES:**

Minutes of the October 11, 2006 meeting were reviewed and approved without change.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Kim Harrell reported on walking-to-school issues. See Work Session below.

**A. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. Transportation Master Plan Subcommittee: The Mayor and all Council Members except Busk have had the opportunity to review the draft Plan showing primary roads. A review with P&Z and Council Member Busk is scheduled for October 26, and a review with TxDOT Area Engineer Don Nyland will be scheduled shortly.

**B. PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS:** None

**C. CITY ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:** Mayor Haley reported that an agreement between the City and the County for law enforcement has been arranged, and that the City is expecting the deployment of a part-time deputy soon. He pointed out that this enforcement also covers parking violations. Also, the Mayor and the Constable plan to schedule a survey of areas of inadequate lighting.

## **D. WORK SESSION:**

1. Signage Inventory/Replacement Survey: The draft inventory form was discussed and further revisions suggested. Chairman Vansant will make additional revisions and email a revised form to TAB members for further testing. Quadrant assignments were made so that each member has a specific area to survey.

The question of maintenance of private (red) street signs was discussed. In theory, the City does not maintain them, but if they are down or illegible, emergency access is compromised. The Public Works director was asked to contact Carroll Czichos to determine if there are public safety funds available to repair or replace damaged signs.

2. Old Kyle Road/RR 3237 Intersection: As the use of Blue Hole Regional Park increases and the facilities expand, traffic on the primary entrance, Blue Hole Lane, will continue to grow. To avoid conflict and congestion, the intersection of Old Kyle Road and RR3237 will need to be improved and updated.

This item was on the TAB agenda several years ago, but was shelved in favor of more pressing projects. At that time TxDOT had said that any improvements outside the TxDOT r.o.w. would be the City's responsibility. It was requested that the earlier sketches of this rework, plus drawings documenting the highway r.o.w. be retrieved.

It was also requested that Public Works install the City's traffic counters on Old Kyle Road to get a current picture of the traffic counts and vehicle speeds.

The Blue Hole Lane dimensions, r.o.w., and drainage were discussed. The 30 ft. r.o.w. will support a comfortable entrance road, but not the extra width required for surface drainage. Therefore, future widening will either require a subsurface storm drain system, or added r.o.w. to accommodate bar ditches.

3. Square Enhancement: Several months ago, TxDOT said that the Village's desired improvements of RR12 through the Square would have to be done at an unspecified future time. One reason for this shelving was the requirement for an extensive and expensive storm drainage system. Chairman Vansant requested that the subcommittee look at reinstating this project and studying possible less expensive alternatives to the drainage issues.

4. Walking to School Program: Kim Harrell reported on the current status of this program:

- a. She has asked WISD Superintendent Strauss to write TxDOT to request the installation of crosswalks across RR2325 at the Texan Blvd./Las Flores intersection and also at Carney Lane.
- b. She also obtained input from the TxDOT engineer for the RR2325 area, who said that there was a possibility of installing sidewalks along the highway in 3 to 5 years. In the meantime, she would like to explore arranging for volunteers to install mulch or gravel paths along the highway and other appropriate streets which serve as routes to school.

**E. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: None**

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

1. Winter's Mill Parkway: It was requested that TAB research the possibility of having Winter's Mill Parkway designated as a "Truck Route"
2. Crosswalk Lights: It was requested that TAB look into the installation of warning lights at significant crosswalks.
3. TxDOT Meeting: Ray attended a TxDOT "Utility Information Meeting" in Pflugerville. The announcement implied that future planned TxDOT projects would be discussed, but it was actually a discussion of how TxDOT coordinates with utility companies, and had no relevance to TAB's work.

**G. ITEMS ON HOLD:**

TAB requested that Public Works report on the status of these items at the next TAB meeting:

1. Consultant for Traffic Control Study: April 12, 2006
2. Revised Estimate for Texan Blvd./Las Flores Intersection: August 23, 2006

**H. SCHEDULED FUTURE MEETINGS:**

1. November 8, 2006
2. NO Meeting Nov. 22
3. December 13, 2006
4. NO Meeting Dec. 27

**I. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM

Submitted by Bert Ray, TAB Secretary

Approved at TAB meeting November 8, 2006