

VILLAGE OF WIMBERLEY
Transportation Advisory Board

Minutes of Meeting
November 14, 2007

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

PRESENT:

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

CITY OFFICIALS: None

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

VISITORS: Will Conley, Hays County Commissioner, Precinct Three; Mark Matthews, Brent Baker and Jeff Watson, planners representing HNTB Corporation; Paula Gruber, a representative of Prime Strategies Corp.; Ray Kotowski, resident; Scott Johnson, rancher; Ken Strange, Wimberley EMS; Gary Knight, Hays County Transportation Board; Steve Klepfer, Hays County Transportation Board; and Bob Wilson, Hays County Transportation Board.

A. MINUTES:

Minutes of the October 10, 2007 meeting were reviewed and approved without change.

B. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: None

C. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS: None

D. VILLAGE STAFF REPORTS:

1. Stop Signs: Bowers reported that the stop signs at the intersection of River Road and Wayside Drive have been installed. There was a brief discussion regarding the possible need for signs alerting drivers that there are new stop signs ahead.

E. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS: None

F. WORKSHOP SESSION:

Commissioner Conley opened the Workshop with a review of the recent history of the RR12 improvement project and the failed bond election. He said that the primary purpose of the TAB workshop was to begin to address what RR12 should look like someday, and commented that most people agree that the highway is not as safe as it should be. He said that the County is not sure of the status of any future TxDOT funding, but even if that is not viable, there may be other sources or offers in the future.

Commissioner Conley introduced members of the planning team which the County has engaged to implement a Context Sensitive Solution design process involving much public input and evaluation. He said that there would probably need to be more than one TAB workshop on this subject.

Mark Matthews and Jeff Watson from HNTB Corp. made a PowerPoint presentation giving background statistics and showing possible configurations for future consideration. After that introduction, the attendees were asked to suggest issues and concerns that should be addressed as the planning process proceeds. A partial list included:

- Safety
- Traffic Capacity
- Beauty
- Flooding and Drainage
- Traffic Calming
- Limiting Access
- Communicating with the Public
- Controlling Adjacent Development
- Transition---Highway into Gateway
- Speed Transition
- Timeline
- Affordability
- Traffic Projections---RR32 to SH281
- Bicycle Accommodations
- Preservation of Vegetation
- Preservation of Unique Landforms

The next TAB-County-HNTB workshop will focus on the vision of what might be. Issues like financing, rights-of-way and communication will come after this first step.

G. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: None

H. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

1. TAB Project List: The second draft of the TAB Project List will be reviewed at the next meeting. This will include addressing Mark Roden's proposed Rating, Analysis and Timeframe System for prioritizing projects.

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

J. FUTURE MEETING DATES:

1. November 28, 2007
2. December 12, 2007---this meeting will be the next RR12 workshop.
3. January 9, 2008
4. January 23, 2008

K. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM

Submitted by Bert Ray, TAB Secretary

Approved as corrected at TAB meeting November 28, 2007