

Hartsville/Trousdale Planning Commission Regular Meeting

Meeting Minutes

June 22, 2022 - 7:00 P.M. – Trousdale County Courthouse – 2nd Floor Courtroom

Present: John Kerr, David Nollner, Rhonda Keisling, David Thomas, Mark Swaffer, Mary Ann Baker, Sarah Murray and Sam Edwards.

Absent: Thomas Harper and Carol Pruitt

Others Present: Stephen Chambers, Landon Gulley, Kristine Hetticer, John Hetticer, Rachel Jones, Marshal Myhan, Becky Johnson, Michelle Wright, Mike Keisling, Joey Martin, Steve Whittaker, Ray Russell, Rosalie Myhan, Dwight Jewell and Lonnie Taylor {Mark Dudney and Evan White participated via ZOOM}

Roll Call

Chairman Kerr called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and Secretary Baker conducted a roll call.

Discussion Topics

2022 Multimodal Access Grant – Propose sidewalks along Broadway from Depot Street to McMurry Blvd. Mayor Stephen Chambers advised members that Hartsville/Trousdale County had applied for this grant previously not received it and therefore would be applying again. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the application process and to have a public hearing.

Mark Dudney of the Rural Planning Organization advised that this is a very competitive Grant due to the match only being 10% from the county and he would be assisting with the application. He discussed the need for sidewalks had increased due to pedestrian traffic increasing and the connectivity the sidewalks would provide.

Evan White with Mid Tenn. Engineering would be assisting with the application as well.

Mayor Chambers advised that the pedestrian traffic has increased and has witnessed pedestrians having to get in the roadway as there are no current sidewalks and several residents in that area are in favor of the project.

David Thomas asked if existing sidewalks being rehabilitated would they need to be redone in order to meet the new codes and was advised they were grandfathered in until they were worked on then they would need to be brought up to current codes.

Mark Swaffer asked what PROWAG standards was, Evan White advised that was another acronym used meaning you can run the sidewalk grade the same as the road grade.

Rosalie Myhan asked if any utilities would be affected and how could we make the project more attractive to TDOT? She was advised possibly water meters only and Public Support.

Sam Edwards voiced concern over the rock walls along the project area and asked if it could be saved.

Dwight Jewell added that the County Commission in the past has been very supportive of these types of grants and sees a great need for the sidewalks in that area.

Rhonda Keisling made a motion to support the Multimodal Access Grant, Seconded by Mary Ann Baker.

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Public Comment

Joey Martin, a resident, asked if the project included a crosswalk between the existing sidewalk and this project? Mayor Chambers said that was in the project.

Marshall Myhan, a resident, asked if petition could be submitted with the application showing the need? Mr. Dudney said yes if that could be submitted to the mayor he would get it included.

Kristine Hetticer, a resident, spoke in support of the grant, she noted that in her 3 years living in the area she has seen an increase in traffic as well as pedestrians walking on the street. She stressed this is a need for the county.

Sheriff Ray Russell noted that 2 years ago a disabled subject in a wheelchair was trying to cross the road in the project area and was struck by a vehicle and he was in support of the project.

Michelle Wright, a resident, stated that this project was needed due to the growth our county.

Adjourn

David Nollner made a motion to adjourn, Seconded by Sarah Murray.

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