

**JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
ENGINEERING COMMITTEE
COUNCIL OFFICE
NOVEMBER 6, 2007
10:30 A.M.**

MINUTES

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN TUTEN, COUNCILMAN TYLER, DALE TERRY- DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES, JUDITH FRANK – CLERK TO COUNCIL

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT THE ELECTRONIC AND PRINT MEDIA WERE NOTIFIED.

DURING PERIODS OF DISCUSSION AND/OR PRESENTATIONS MINUTES ARE TYPICALLY CONDENSED AND PARAPHRASED.

CALL TO ORDER:

CHAIRMAN TUTEN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 10:30 A.M.

INVOCATION:

COUNCILMAN TYLER GAVE THE INVOCATION.

DISCUSSION:

MR. TERRY REPORTED THAT 117 ROADS WERE WORKED. CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED HOW MANY MORE ROADS NEEDED TO BE WORKED AND MR. TERRY SAID THERE WERE ABOUT 15 ROADS TO FINISH. CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED ABOUT THE BELLINGER HILL ROAD AND WERE THERE ANY PROBLEMS. MR. TERRY RESPONDED THAT CURRENTLY NO PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN REPORTED. CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID HE RECEIVED A CALL ABOUT A PERSON WORKING ON SATURDAY AND HE ASKED MR. TERRY ABOUT OVERTIME. MR. TERRY SAID THERE WAS A LOT OF DOWN TIME DUE TO EQUIPMENT BREAKDOWNS. AND HE WAS WORKING SOME PEOPLE TO GET THE WORK DONE. CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED ABOUT THE OVERTIME AND THE BUDGET. MR. TERRY SAID HE FELT THAT HIS DEPARTMENT WAS ON TRACK AND HE DID NOT FEEL THEY WOULD BE OVER BUDGET.

CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID THAT HE RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM MR. PEEPLES REGARDING THE MOTOR GRADER WORKING A ROAD THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY A PRIVATELY OWNED AND THEY WERE ALSO PULLING OUT A DITCH. MR. TERRY SAID THAT HE WAS ALSO CONTACTED AND THAT THE ROAD WAS A COUNTY ROAD AND IT WAS WORKED ON SATURDAY TO GET CAUGHT UP. MR. TERRY SAID HE WORKED THE ROAD AND HE CLOCKED OUT AT 6:18 P.M. COUNCILMAN TYLER ASKED HOW THE WEEKEND WORKERS ARE PAID. MR. TERRY SAID THEY ARE PAID OVERTIME, BUT DUE TO THE EQUIPMENT BEING DOWN AND THE WEATHER SOME OF THE MEN WORKED SATURDAY. COUNCILMAN TYLER SAID HE UNDERSTANDS PEOPLE WORKING OVERTIME IN AN EMERGENCY, BUT HE DOES NOT BELIEVE IN FAVORITISM TO HELP A CERTAIN PERSON. MR. TERRY SAID THAT NO FAVORS WERE INVOLVED.

CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED IF THE GRAYS AREA HAS BEEN TRIMMED AND MR. TERRY RESPONDED THAT HE ONLY HAD ONE MACHINE ON THE ROADS AND ONE IN THE DITCH BANK AND THEY WERE WORKING TOWARDS GRAYS, BUT WERE CURRENTLY IN HARDEEVILLE. MR. TERRY SAID ONE DITCH IS LOCATED NEAR A SCHOOL AND THEY CANNOT GET TO IT AND HE WAS GOING TO CHECK WITH RUDY SMITH ABOUT THE EASEMENTS. MR. TERRY SAID THE WATER IS LAYING THERE BECAUSE THE DITCH IS DEEPER THAN WHERE THE PIPE IS LOCATED, BUT THE WATER CAN BE PUMPED. MR. TERRY SAID THE WATER HAS ALWAYS BEEN THERE AND WILL STAY THERE BECAUSE THE WATER IS UNDER THE PIPE. CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED WHAT WORK REQUESTS FOR MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR WAS AND WHO DID THEM. MR. TERRY SAID THEY WERE CALLS THAT WERE HANDLED BY BUCK ETHERIDGE. CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID THAT HAL WAL ISSUED 3 TICKETS IN SEPTEMBER AND HE ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY RESULTS. MR TERRY SAID THE TICKETS WERE FOR PEOPLE WHO WERE CAUGHT LITTERING. CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED ABOUT THE DECALS FOR THE NEW EQUIPMENT. MR. TERRY SAID THAT HE WAS GOING TO CHECK WITH THE LEASING COMPANY AND SEE IF THEY CAN PUT THE DECALS ON THE LEASED EQUIPMENT. THE COMMITTEE WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING POTENTIAL LEGAL MATTERS
THE MEETING ENDED AT 11:10 A.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

JUDITH M. FRANK, CCC
CLERK TO COUNCIL

FRED TUTEN
CHAIRMAN