

VIRGINIA: County of Lee, to-wit:

At the Public Hearing of the Lee County Board of Supervisors in the Conference Room of the Lee County Courthouse on May 20, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. thereof.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Slemp, Jr., Chairman
Jason Crabtree
Carl Bailey
Larry Mosley

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Allen Sumpter, VDOT
Chris Byington, VDOT
C.M. Callahan, County Attorney
Dane Poe, County Administrator

OTHERS ABSENT: Jeny Hughes, Administrative Assistant

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

SECONDARY SYSTEM SIX-YEAR PLAN

The Virginia Department of Transportation and the Board of Supervisors of Lee County, Virginia in accordance with Section 33.1-70.01 of the Code of Virginia, conducted a joint public hearing in the Conference Room of the Lee County Courthouse, Jonesville, Virginia on May 20, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. The purpose of this public hearing is to receive public comment on the proposed Secondary Six-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2014/15 through 2019/20 in Lee County and on the Secondary System Construction Budget for Fiscal Year 2014/2015. Copies of the proposed Plan and Budget may be reviewed at the VDOT Wise Residency office, 703 Hurricane Road, Wise, Virginia 24293 and in the office of the Lee County Administrator located in Room 111 of the Lee County Courthouse, Jonesville, Virginia.

All projects in the Secondary Six-Year Plan that are eligible for federal funds will be included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which documents how Virginia will obligate federal transportation funds.

Allen Sumpter, Virginia Department of Transportation, Wise Residency Administrator, presented information on funding and projects currently on the Secondary Six-Year Plan and explained that there have been some changes to the Transportation Bill that was presented last year. The allocation of the money has changed. The total allocation has gone from \$1.7 million last year to around \$3.9 million for a six year period. \$3.47 million is the six year allocation for unpaved roads.

Mr. Sumpter stated that there are three projects on schedule to begin with the next fiscal year, which are Route 683, Raymond Carter Rd; Route 656, Friendship Hollow Road; and Route 688, Dry Branch Road. The additional funding will help projects move closer to the construction stage sooner than projected. He added that if they could get donated right of way on the Dry Branch Road project, that could potentially reduce

the project cost by up to \$1 million and get it to construction sooner. Mr. Sumpter also advised that approximately \$200,000 could be available for Rural Additions.

Harold Hilt, District 1, stated McLin Hollow Road needs to be widened.

Mr. Sumpter stated that they would look into it, and try to help from a safety standpoint.

Roy Witt, District 1, Crockett Ridge Road asked about paving and dust control.

Mr. Sumpter stated that for future projects, the County has a project priority list.

Ms. Rowe entered the meeting at 4:29 p.m.

Dean Bieber, District 4, asked if Country Cove Road was on the plan yet, and if there is something that can be done for maintenance.

Charles Slempp asked that something be done for the brush over growth on Wamper Hollow Road.

Carl Bailey asked that Cedar Valley Road be looked at for the Rural Addition program. He also asked that Red Clover Road be looked at for maintenance.

Mr. Sumpter is asking that the Board members look in their areas, and get a list of realistic projects that would not take a lot to get them into the system. Once VDOT has the list they will go out and get cost estimates on those projects.

Mr. Slempp closed the public hearing.