

Hope Township Road Committee Meeting
October 25, 2007

Members in attendance:

Don Dice; Dennis Guthrie; Jim Hockemeyer; Joe Lunsford, Matt Smith

Date of the next meeting: Jan 31, 2008

- Agenda will be to develop the package for the millage renewal

Meeting called to order by Jim Hockemeyer with a pledge to the flag

Review of the previous meeting minutes: Minutes accepted

Jim reviewed the types of roads in Hope Township. Both roads supported by the county (primary roads) and those supported for Hope Township.

Joe, reviewed the need to build the package needed in order to try and renew the road millage. In Hope Township there are about 30 miles of roads that need to be maintained. Also the fact that roads are not lasting as long as expected (30 years). Approximately \$150K is needed to do a mile of roads.

The current estimate for 2008 dollars is

\$85,500 millage

\$36,500 county matching

\$10,000 from Hope

\$132,000 Total

-\$10,000 carry over from 2007

\$122,000 estimated for 2008

Road discussions:

Curtis Road:

Committee ask to check who is responsible to enforce road weight restrictions and the hauling logs on Curtis Road. Pictures were submitted as to what resulted from this use and the effect which resulted this Spring. Also discussed the thought that the ditches are plugged and this is part of the problem. The estimate is \$149,000 for approximately 1 mile (short \$27,000). This includes such things as: drainage; ditching; trim trees, etc (\$20K); asphalt, gravel (\$132K).

Hope road (between Bombay and Schaffer):

A petition was submitted by the residents requesting that the upgrade to this road. The cost for paving, gravel \$139,000. This includes some drainage and is a mile section of road. There are 14 residents. First time for this formal request. In 2006 the road was rated average gravel. The cost just to upgrade the gravel would lower the cost by \$75,000.

