

FARMERSVILLE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES
November 16, 2015

The Farmersville Citizens Advisory Committee met in special session on November 16, 2015 at 7:49 p.m. at the City of Farmersville Council Chambers with the following members present: Bryce Thompson, Mark Vincent, Sarah Jackson-Butler, Charles Casada, Craig Overstreet and Chad Dillard. Commissioner Todd Rolen gave his resignation notice the same day as the meeting. Staff members present were City Attorney Alan Lathrom and City Secretary Edie Sims. Council Liaison John Klostermann was present.

CALL TO ORDER AND RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS/VISITORS

Chairman Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:49pm. Edie Sims called roll and announced that a quorum was present.

Item II – A) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND REVIEW PLANNING-RELATED ISSUES AND THE CITY’S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND THE SUBMISSION OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO CITY COUNCIL REGARDING SUCH DISCUSSIONS

City Manager Ben White requested to review the Transportation section of the Comprehensive Plan for review. Per the strategy goals for Transportation, the newest housing development in Farmersville is opening opportunity to create street connectivity which adhering to the Thoroughfare Plan. Planning in the past has led to a good job planning for trails. Our trail plan is also integrated with Collin County’s Trail Plan.

Per the Comprehensive Plan Transportation Goal 2, the City has taken the leading role improving the Chaparral Trail which is part of the Northeast Texas Trail system connecting at the Trail Head in Farmersville and following through to New Boston, Texas creating 130 miles of hiking, biking and equestrian riding trail area.

Goal 3 sets out a course to maintain and enhance Farmersville’s existing transportation system. Currently this portion of the plan does not need to be updated. Our focal point is fixing and maintaining our road system. The East side of Main Street is needing attention. The problem remains there are more issues than available funding. Mr. White is expecting to introduce improved street, water and wastewater designs this upcoming year. The Safe Routes to School project has been completed from the list.

Listed under Goal 4 is the update of City-wide Standard Details with cross-sections for pedestrian realm design standards for widths, lighting, buffers and other amenities. These streetscape enhancements are due for an upgrade and Mr. White stated he is expecting to move forward with these enhancements during this upcoming year.

Goal 5 requires coordination with regional entities to plan for future passenger and freight rail connections. The Intermodal Hub which was part of Farmersville’s plan was moved to Wylie, which then removed the need for transit service in Farmersville.

Goal 6 is being accomplished to coordinate with regional entities to plan for future road and trail connections.

Item III) ADJOURNMENT

The Citizen Advisory Committee adjourned at 8:04pm.

ATTEST:

Bryce Thompson, Vice-Chairman

Eddie Sims, City Secretary

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