## **Subcommittee on Planning** Thurs. March 21, 2024 | 4:00 pm Room 310, Courthouse

**Committee Members:** 

Stanley Hall, Road Superintendent

Darrell Threet, 3<sup>rd</sup> District

Terry Lowe, 5<sup>th</sup> District

Wendell Wilson, 6th District John Stubbs, Planning Comm.

Linda Clark, Planning Comm.

John Wedgeworth, Planning Comm. 1 constituent

**Others Present:** 

Gary Nelson, Crossville Chronicle

Scott Humphrey, 3B Media

Torey LaMontagne, Mayor's Office, Minutes

Allen Foster, County Mayor Philip Burnett, County Attorney

Tommy Lee, Deputy Planner

#### CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Convener Terry Lowe called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm on Thursday, March 21, 2024 in room 310 of the former Cumberland County courthouse.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Wendell Wilson made a motion to nominate Terry Lowe as Chair of the subcommittee. John Wedgeworth seconded the motion, none were opposed, and the motion to nominate Terry as the Chair of the subcommittee carried.

John W. made a motion to nominate Linda Clark as Vice-Chair of the subcommittee. Wendell seconded the motion, none were opposed, and the motion to nominate Linda as Vice-Chair of the subcommittee carried.

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Terry opened the floor for public comment(s) related to the agenda and there were none.

## 1992 ROAD CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS DISCUSSION

Discussion was had about the need to go through the 1992 Road Construction Standards page-by-page and make any necessary updates or changes.

The pages that were reviewed and corrected during this meeting are attached. Changes are highlighted in yellow.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting was set for Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 4 pm in room 310 of the old Cumberland County courthouse.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Wendell. The motion was seconded by John W, none were opposed, and the motion to adjourn carried. The meeting was adjourned at 4:59 pm on Thursday, March 21, 2024 in room 310 of the former Cumberland County courthouse.

Approval:

erry Love

# CUMBERLAND COUNTY ROAD ACCEPTANCE AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

## ARTICLE I PURPOSE, AUTHORITY, AND JURISDICTION

## A. PURPOSE

The purpose of this manual is to define the procedures and improvements which are required before Cumberland County, Tennessee will accept maintenance responsibility for a proposed public road. The procedures and minimum standards are necessary in order to provide fair and equitable treatment to all persons seeking to have a road accepted by the county, in order to ensure that all roads accepted are suitable for public use, and in order to help protect Cumberland County taxpayers from excessive and unnecessary expenditures for roads and road maintenance.

## B. **AUTHORITY**

These road acceptance and road construction standards are adopted under the authority granted by Section 5-5-119 of the <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> which entrusts the establishment and general supervision of roads to the Cumberland County Commission; and by Section 54-10-102 of the <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> which empowers the Cumberland County Commission to build, repair, and maintain bridges and highways, and pay for same out of general county funds; and by Section 13-3-406 of the <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> which provides that the Cumberland County Commission shall receive the recommendation of the appropriate regional planning commission prior to accepting or laying out any road. Section 54-10-216 alternate road closure procedure

## C. JURISDICTION

This manual shall govern the acceptance and changes of all roads for county maintenance in the unincorporated portions of Cumberland County, Tennessee.

## ARTICLE II PROCEDURE FOR ROAD ACCEPTANCE and Changes

## A. GENERAL

The procedure for evaluation and acceptance or change of a road for county maintenance involves the Cumberland County Regional Planning Commission, the Environmental Committee of the Cumberland County Commission, the Cumberland County Road Superintendent, and the Cumberland County Commission. In those cases when a road proposed for acceptance or change is located within the planning region of Crossville but outside the municipal boundary, the process will also involve the Crossville Regional Planning Commission.

There are two three circumstances which may lead to a request to the county road superintendent for acceptance of a road for county maintenance. First, a resident or residents of Cumberland County may petition for the acceptance or change of an

existing private road. Second, a developer may petition for the acceptance of a proposed newly constructed road and follow the procedures for adoption under the regional planning commission regulations. Third, the county road superintendent may petition for the acceptance or change of an existing private road. In both these circumstances the road shall meet the construction standards specified in Article III of this manual. The county road superintendent shall make a recommendation to the regional planning commission regarding any of the foregoing three requests.

## B. PROCEDURE FOR PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL

- 1. All roads proposed for acceptance for county road maintenance shall first be reviewed and approved by the Cumberland County Regional Planning Commission or the Crossville Regional Planning Commission if the road is located in the Crossville Planning Region.
- In order to secure the review and approval by the appropriate Regional Planning Commission a Preliminary Road Plan/Survey shall be submitted to the appropriate regional planning commission. Upon completion of the required road improvements, a Final Road Plan/Survey shall be submitted to the appropriate Regional Planning Commission.
- 3. In the Crossville Planning Region, subdivision plats may be substituted for the Road Plan/Survey, providing that all information required on the Road Plan/Survey is depicted on the subdivision plat and further provided that the subdivision plat is reviewed and approved by the Crossville Regional Planning Commission.

## C. CLASSIFICATION OF ROADS

- 1. All roads proposed for acceptance for county road maintenance shall be classified to meet the following definitions:
  - a. <u>Arterial</u>: Roads and highways used primarily for movement of fast or heavy traffic within and through the county; a secondary function is land access. Arterial roads are not normally constructed by a developer.
  - b. <u>Collector</u>: Roads which carry traffic from arterial roads or highways to local or minor roads. Collector roads serve the internal traffic movement within a section of the county and connect this section with the arterial system.
  - c. <u>Local or Minor</u>: Roads designed to accommodate local traffic, the major portion of which originates along the road itself. The primary function of a local or minor road is land access.
  - d. <u>Cul-de-sac</u>: Permanent dead-end local or minor road with a paved turnaround designed so that it cannot be extended in the future.
- 2. Where the determination of road classification is necessary, it shall be made by the appropriate Regional Planning Commission.

## D. PRELIMINARY ROAD PLAN/SURVEY REQUIREMENTS

1. The preliminary road plan/survey shall be drawn to a scale of not less than one-inch