

Minutes

JACKSON COUNTY SPLOST 5 CITIZEN'S REVIEW COMMITTEE

JUNE 23,2015
12:00 P.M.

A: Call to Order:

Vice Chairman Adam Pethel

B: Approval of minutes :

Meeting of March 4, 2015 approved.

C: Election of New Chairman: Discussion of this item was moved to the end. See below.

D: Review City of Nicholson SPLOST 5 Expenditures:

The committee reviewed several handouts that highlighted the roadway/driveway in question and had some discussion about whether this roadway section was ever deeded as a city street to Nicholson and whether some of it was still DOT land. The discussion centered on a timeline of aerial photographs from 2001 and 2011 that showed the current "driveway" area that was cut through what used to be a chicken house which was not part of the old pre-aligned James Maxwell Road roadbed. The committee members asked Mayor Ronnie Maxwell about the history of the street to which he stated it was a part of "Old James Maxwell Road" from before the DOT realignment. Discussion amongst the members centered on getting more information to make a better determination on whether the \$10,607 was used on City property or private property.

The committee also asked the mayor to reclassify the Christmas decorations out of SPLOST along with a camera purchase. These items were reviewed in previous meetings and deemed inappropriate. The mayor said he "thought he would just run it through the committee first to see if it passed." Technical committee member Logan Propes stated that the SPLOST expenditures should be vetted by the City first, not the SPLOST committees.

The committee scheduled a follow up meeting at the request of Jackson County BOC Chairman Tom Crow. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss in detail the findings after the technical resources and citizen's review committee members could visit the Nicholson site in person and form an opinion as to whether the funds from SPLOST 5 were appropriate. (The site visit meeting was later scheduled for Wednesday July 15th.) The follow up meeting was scheduled for Friday July 17th.

E: Other Business:

Election of New Chairman: Elton Collins made a motion to make current Vice Chairman Adam Pethel the new Chairman of the SPLOST 5 Citizen's review committee. His appointment replaces Ron Johnson who officially resigned on January 5, 2015 but had not attended a meeting since the May 14, 2014 meeting. Elton Collins was then approved as the new Vice Chairman of the Citizen's Review Committee.

F: Adjourn

Those present:

Logan Propes
Kevin Poe
Tom Crow
Tony Beatty
Elton Collins
Peggy Kriegal
Janice Minish
Jim Hix
Adam Petha
Vance Holifield
Debbie Gammon