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**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING  
RE: SECONDARY ROADS PROGRAM  
OF THE JACKSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
HELD ON  
FEBRUARY 5, 2006**

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on February 5, 2007 at 5:00 p.m., Room A201, Justice & Administration Building, 401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Sylva, North Carolina.

Present: Brian T. McMahan, Chairman  
Joe Cowan, Vice Chair  
Tom Massie, Commissioner  
William Shelton, Commissioner  
Mark Jones, Commissioner  
Kenneth L. Westmoreland, County Manager  
Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk to the Board

Chairman McMahan called the public hearing to order and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive public input on the proposed Secondary Roads Program for Fiscal Year 2007.

Representatives present from the N.C. Department of Transportation were: Conrad Burrell, State Representative for 14<sup>th</sup> Division, Joel Setzer, Division Engineer, Jonathan Woodard, District Engineer, and Brian Burch, Division Maintenance Engineer, Wes Jamison, Asst. Division Engineer, and Right of Way Agents: Teddy Green, Frank Dills, Dale Davis, and Todd Woodard.

Mr. Burrell reported that the allocation for Jackson County is \$4,229,790. The Board of Commissioners will be requested to adopt a resolution approving DOT's proposed FY 2007 Secondary Road Program.

Mr. Setzer reported on new programs being implemented for improving roads and what funds are allocated for improving secondary roads (see Attachment A). The majority of the program consists of paving unpaved roads. The majority of gravel roads in the county have either been constructed or paved or DOT is attempting to obtain rights-of-way. The program is a right-of-way conditional-type program and there are instances that property owners do not want certain roads paved. The program also includes improving the existing paved roads.

Mr. Woodard stated that \$2.2 million is available for prior fiscal year programmed projects. A projected balance to carry forward from 2007 to 2008 is \$367,000.

**Public Comments:** Debra Edwards stated she is a realtor and builder and represents 90% of the property owners on a road near the Macon County line. She requested that the road adjoining their properties not be paved because it will increase traffic and noise as well as more litter.

Bob Stafford of Fenley Forest Road (SR1146) requested that an additional .07 of a mile be paved.

There being no further comments, Commissioner Cowan moved that the public hearing be adjourned. Commissioner Massie seconded the Motion. Motion carried and the hearing adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Attested By:

Approved:

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Evelyn B. Baker, Clerk

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Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman

