

**JEFFERSON COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, January 6, 2010

The Jefferson County Highway Committee and Infrastructure Committee met on Wednesday, January 6, 2010, at 8:30 A.M. for a joint meeting at the Jefferson County Courthouse.

ROLL OF THE HIGHWAY COMMITTEE:

Members present: Ron Buchanan; Robert Yachinich; John Molinaro; Glen Borland; Donald Reese;
Carol Ward Knox; John Kannard; Richard Jones; James Braughler

Members absent: Blane Poulson

Also Present: William Kern, Highway Commissioner
Gary Petre, County Administrator
Sharon Schmeling, County Board Chairperson
Tammie Jaeger, Administration
Ann Jenswold, Highway Department
Bill Buglass, Payne & Dolan

Purpose of the meeting was to discuss and take action on combining the Highway Committee and Infrastructure Committee.

The following was discussed:

6. Discussion and possible action on combining the Highway Committee and Infrastructure Committee.

County Administrator, Gary Petre, presented and discussed the responses he received from counties around the state regarding their committee assignments. The twelve counties that responded showed some combined committees, some separate, and some public works committees.

The Highway Committee and Infrastructure Committee discussed various advantages and disadvantages to combining. Discussion included that the committees are similar, but hold a different purpose. Members discussed wanting to be efficient, without micromanaging. The idea of combining department staff was also discussed.

It was moved by Mr. Molinaro and seconded by Mr. Yachinich to NOT make any changes or consolidation of the committees until there is a working plan from administration regarding the future make up of the departments. The committees will maintain their current setup.

Carried by the following roll call:

AYES: Buchanan, Yachinich, Molinaro, Borland

NOES: None

ABSENT: Poulson

ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Kannard to have the Infrastructure Committee maintain its current purpose and structure, and meets as necessary.

Carried by the following roll call:

AYES: Kannard; Jones; Reese

NOES: Ward Knox; Braugler

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Mr. Buchanan and seconded by Mr. Kannard to adjourn at 9:20 a.m.

Carried by the following roll call:

AYES: Buchanan, Yachinich, Molinaro, Borland, Reese, Ward Knox, Kannard, Jones,
Braugler

NOES: None

ABSENT: Poulson

ABSTAIN: None

Approval:
