



Minutes

Public Utilities and Transportation Committee

Caucus Suite 204

December 17, 2025

8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Scotty Hancock, *Committee Chair, Board of Commissioners*
Mike Burnes, *Committee Co-Chair, Board of Commissioners*
Bruce Ivey, *Public Utilities & Transportation Division Director, Special Projects Manager*
John Carroll, *Airport Manager*
Mark Welsh, *County Engineer*
Steve Hulse, *Utilities Administrator, Water*
Tim Shuler, *Assistant Utilities Administrator, Water*
Michael Skeen, *Public Works Director*
Charles Hankins, *Solid Waste/Recycling*
John Bailey, *Assistant County Clerk*

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8 a.m.

II. Review Minutes from October 15, 2025 Meeting.

The minutes were approved through common consent.

III. Public Participation

IV. Order of Business

1. Airport

- Corporate Hangar Update
Mr. Carroll reported the corporate hangar is scheduled to be complete in late February or early March.
- Runway Lighting Project Update
Mr. Carroll reported the lighting project is 90-95% complete.
- Runway Extension/Jones Mill Relocation Update
Mr. Carroll reported the runway extension is complete and the Jones Mill relocation is underway.
- RFP for Engineer of Record

2. Water

- Big Texas Valley Water Update
Mr. Shuler said the project is completed under budget. The crew is wrapping up cleanup efforts.
- Treatment Plant Update
Mr. Hulsey reported the treatment plan is near completion.
- Bell's Ferry Road water line relocation
Mr. Shuler said the project is completed under budget. The crew is wrapping up cleanup efforts.
- Tap Fee Discussion
Mr. Hulsey discussed connection fees and compared Floyd County practices with others in nearby counties. Those connection fees may be presented as part of a rate increase early in 2026.

3. Recycle/Solid Waste

- Scrap Tire Day
Mr. Hankins said that he would participate in a Scrap Tire webinar on Jan. 9 at a location to be determined.
- HHW Schedule Update
Mr. Hankins said he will be meeting with the Clean Harbors CEO to discuss the processes moving forward.
- Remote site restrooms
- Potts Road Paving
Mr. Hankins discussed the project with the committee.

4. Public Works

- Public Works Facility Update
Mr. Skeen said they outsourced the design for the project and reviewed engineering plans from the Southeast Civil Group.
- Faster & Fuelmaster Update
Mr. Skeen said he expects that Fuelmaster should be live by the end of January and Faster should go live in March.
- SRTA Grant Application - Park & Mango
Mr. Skeen said there is a potential for utilizing a SRTA grant for the projects especially with matching SPLOST funds.
- 2026 Milling Contract
Mr. Skeen said they're looking at getting started on Shannon, Riverside and Garden Lakes projects after the first of the year.
- Infrastructure Lindale/Riverside
- Bells Ferry Road Bridge Closure
Mr. Skeen said the Bells Ferry Road bridge will likely remain closed for a time. This will be outsourced by GDOT and currently isn't funded.

5. Engineering

- Old Summerville Village Maintenance Acceptance
Mr. Welsh updated the committee regarding the status of the request.
- Hamilton Drive Right of Way
Mr. Welsh said there is a petition for the closure of a public road. The committee recommended that engineering move forward with gathering information for consideration of the request.

V. County Manager's Report

VI. Chief of Staff's Report

- AGL Regulator Station on Burlington Rd.
Mr. Ivey discussed the planned placement of the station in relation to the park.

VII. Chairman's Report

VIII. Other Business

IX. Adjourn

With no other business, the committee adjourned at 8:58 a.m.

****Next Meeting, February 18, 2026**