

**HCOA Board Meeting
September 10, 2007**

Present: Donn Hall, Blake Bentley, Diane Harris, Wade Hays, Brian Monroe, Jose Sanchez, Reggie Spivey, Donna Hays, Katie Lyles, Cindy Norton and below lists of guests and residents

GUESTS

Name	Company/Entity
Loretta Spencer	Mayor
Mark Russell	City Council
Mo Brooks	County Commissioners
Jerry Craig	County Commissioners
Butch Taylor	State Representative
Marie Bostick	City Planning Dept
Richard Morris	Resident Attorney
Sam Givhan	HCOA Attorney
Bill Pippin	Huntsville Utilities/ Pres
Jay Stowe	Huntsville Utilities/VP
Steve Wright	Huntsville Utilities
Bill Yell	Huntsville Utilities/PR

RESIDENTS

NAME	ADDRESS
Chuck Clark	3029 Twelvestones Rd
Jana Clark	3029 Twelvestones Rd
Gerald Wiekamp	3009 Flint Mill Run
Bonnie Wiekamp	3009 Flint Mill Run
Suzanne Erickson	3202 Stonewall Rd
Chris Erickson	3202 Stonewall Rd
Rhonda Scott	2709 Persimmon Place
Ellery Williams	3153 Mallard Point Dr.
Matthew Spivey	2512 Little Cove Rd
Will Hicks	2976 Hampton Cove Way
Shelia Hicks	2976 Hampton Cove Way
Samantha Thompson	3033 Twelvestones Rd
Chuck Thompson	3033 Twelvestones Rd
Brenda Alaniz	3113 Longshadow Way
Hiram G Woods Jr.	2738 Whistler Lane
Ben Faulds (future)	3211 Mossy Rock Rd
Courtenay Simmons	2823 Willowick Trail
Mitchell Moore	2620 Trellis Post Court
Ginger Moore	2620 Trellis Post Court
Mona Miller & Max	3226 Stonewall Rd

Wendy Payne	3109 Honor's Row
Jim Williams	3007 Flint Mill Run
Frances Harless-Woods	2738 Whistler Lane
Michael B. Nix	3021 Flint Mill Run
Angel Coleman	2901 Kincade Way
Michael Kopecky	3209 Wellstone Lane
Devry Coghlan	3215 Stonewall Rd
Curtis Coghlan	3215 Stonewall Rd
Betsy Faulds	3101 Field Chase Rd
Michael New	3115 Rocky Meadows (future)
Beverly Hood	2640 Quarter Lane
Kevin McClure	2609 Quarter Lane
Joseph Summers	3108 Arborshade Trace
Susie Herring	3117 Longshadow Way
Sherry Utley	3118 Longshadow Way
Jennifer Edwards	3104 Arborshade Trace
George Foozer	3115 Longshadow Way
Thomas Barthel	3032 Twelvestones Rd
Tracy Brown	3106 Arborshade Trace
Marilyn Cardno	3015 Flint Mill Run
Richard Cardno	3015 Flint Mill Run
Marge Hubbard	3115 Mossy Rock Rd
Don Hubbard	3115 Mossy Rock Rd
Andrea Jones	3221 Stonewall Rd
Charles Jones	3221 Stonewall Rd
Jean Nelson	
Suzan Bodnar	
Andy Bodner	
Philip Hill	2202 Little Cove Rd
Laura Hale	3111 Longshadow Way
Steven Burkett	3210 Mossy Rock Rd
Veronica Rico	3216 Mossy Rock Rd
Joe Ackerman	2623 Bransford Trail
Roy Willett	3215 Wellstone Lane
John Farris	3207 Stonewall Rd
Penny Wright	3204 Stonewall Rd
Kim Mordecai	2627 Bransford Trail
Greg Mordecai	2627 Bransford Trail
Rami Hawari	3113 Longshadow Way
Lacey Clark	3109 Arborshade Trace
Cookie Keller	3035 Flint Mill Run
John Moe	2516 Cranfield Rd
Sandy Moe	2516 Cranfield Rd
Amy Harper	2719 Tammerack Lane
Emily Eckley	3213 Mossy Rock Rd

Mark Henry	3114 Mossy Rock Rd
Carina Henry	3114 Mossy Rock Rd
Mitchell Bruce	3025 Twelvestones Rd
Brenadette Bruce	3025 Twelvestones Rd
Michael Theodoss	3010 Flint Mill Run
Kay Theodoss	3010 Flint Mill Run
Ralph Jones	3200 Dry Stone Cr
Sandra Jones	2726 Deford Mill Rd
Mike Wadzinka	Cobblestone Cove
Karen Long	3110 Longshadow Way
Ben Long	3110 Longshadow way
Troy Hopkins	2609 Sandalhaven Dr
Roy H. Martin Jr	2832 Winterberry Way
Jeff Hawkins	3020 Cobble Farm Dr
Barbara Hawkins	3020 Cobble Farms Dr
Joanne Stroz	3040 Twelvestones Rd
John Brown	HCS
Juan Carlos Abanes	2914 Turnberry Dr
Mary Beth Walker	3009 Brunswick Cir
Lynette Fairlamb	2973 Hampton Cove Way
Ken Knowles	2646 Quarter Lane
Marty Caune	3219 Wellstone Lane
Joseph Vins	3117 Rocky Meadow Rd
Jerry Stallings	4700 Slalom Road, OXR
Yvette Melkerson	2709 Kentshire Circle
David Wilson	2603 Sandalhaven Dr
Mike O'Melia	3202 Dry Stone Circle
Belinda O'Melia	3202 Dry Stone Circle
Russ Beshirs	3202 Wellstone Lane
Brain Pollock	3025 Flint Mill Run
Sue Pollock	3025 Flint Mill Run
Jeff Klabish	3039 Twelvestones Rd
Pascual Rico	3216 Mossy Rock Rd
Dwayne Hubbard	3107 Rocky Meadow Rd
Khatuna Hubbard	3107 Rocky Meadow Rd
Fred Gilmore	3106 Tenker Creek Lane
Ron Hackney	2906 Madrey Lane
Debbie Barrie	3218 Stonewall Rd
Rusty Bryce	3037 Twelvestones Rd
Susan Bryce	3037 Twelvestones Rd
Angelyn Hill	3045 Twelvestones Rd
James Hill	3045 Twelvestones Rd
Molly Vardaman	3042 Twelvestones Rd
Bill Vardaman	3042 Twelvestones Rd
Tim Norton	3100 Arborshade Trace

Karen Norton	3100 Arborshade Trace
Wendy Lee	3030 Twelvestones Rd
Lori Moore	3021 Cobble Farms Dr
Mike Moore	3021 Cobble Farms Dr
Lane Wilson	3107 Arborshade Trace
Emani Shah	3112 Longshadow Way
Wesley R. Gibson	2319 Little Cove Rd
Jonathan Lusk	3206 Stonewall Rd
Roslyn Honan	2826 Winterberry Way
Bernard Honan	2826 Winterberry Way
Keith Harris	3216 Stonewall Rd
Pat Morgan	3111 Arborshade Trace
Brenda Nunnally	2715 Deford Mill Rd
Becky Litz	2929 Eastern Shore Drive
Chuck Sanders	3108 Chamlee Place
Susan Baldwin	3006 Willow Trace Cir
Willa Cummings	2519 Little Cove Rd
Jo Cummings	2514 Little Cove Rd
Frank Vinz	3023 Flint Mill Run
Ruth Vinz	3023 Flint Mill Run
David Voytko	2703 Kentshire Circle
Eddie Baldwin	3006 Willow Trace Cr
Lisa Thomas	2821 Willowick Trail
Marion Merrell	3035 Twelvestones Rd
Clive Arlington	3014 Cobble Farms Dr
Dean Rolin	3207 Waterman DR
Diane Rolin	3207 Waterman Drive
Robert Bryce	3037 Twelvestones Rd
David Chandler	2212 Little Cove Rd
Judy Chandler	2212 Little Cove Rd
Caryn Williams	3219 Stonewall Rd
Jim Cruce	2704 Bransford Trail
Susan Cruce	2704 Bransford Trail
Jeff Schrader	3114 Longshadow Way
Lori Cribbet	3013 Cobble Farms Dr
Kay Webb	2709 Tammerack Ln
Alta Depa	3211 Wellstone Lane
Kay Depa	3211 Wellstone Lane
Bob Osborne	3103 Tantallon Cr
Paige McClure	3209 Mossy Rock Rd
Jill Harris	3216 Stonewall Rd
Julie MacMurray	3019 Flint Mill Run
Jana Marshall	3013 Flint Mill Run
Lou Bowden	2810 Centerridge Rd
Beverly Parkes	3224 Stonewall Rd

John Faulds	3101 Field Chase Rd
Courtney Spivey	2512 Little Cove Rd
James Miller	3226 Stonewall Rd
Matt Eckley	3213 Mossy Rock Rd
Stuart Howe	2809 Stepper St
Maryam Emami	3112 Longshadow Way
Jim Nelson	3045 Flint Mill Run
Kevin Evers	3225 Stonewall Rd
Whitney Evers	3225 Stonewall Rd
Dave Bryant	2810 Willowick Trail
Jim Stroz	3040 Twelvestones Rd
Gladys Oaks	3214 Stonewall Rd
Al Oaks	3214 Stonewall Rd
Allen Sasso	3102 Arborshade Trace
Brooks Sasso	3102 Arborshade Trace
Frances Soley	2674 Quarter Lane
Tom Devenish	2807 Castle Pines Cr
Eric Rives	3223 Stonewall Rd
Becky Hall	2806 Stonewall Rd
Fred Flack	3031 Twelvestones Rd
Lisa Rives	3223 Stonewall Rd
Bob Marshall	3013 Flint Mill Run
Paula Haider	2810 Callodon Place
Vicki Justice	2508 Cranfield Rd
Lisanne Sykes	3012 Boundary Oaks DR

Donn Hall called the meeting to order at 6:05. Donn introduced the panel to the residents and welcomed the residents. At this time, he asked all the residents to quit contacting the Sublett family to allow the Huntsville Utility company to negotiate an alternate route with them.

Mayor Spencer was introduced and said she is working on effort with the Utility Company and also asked that the residents quit contacting the Subletts. She mentioned that she was unaware of this project and as soon as she became aware she met with the Utility Company.

Marie Bostick from the Huntsville City Planning Department spoke next as to why they didn't use the Eastern Bypass. There are unknowns about the future with that road (i.e. widening, knowing ultimate right of way) and it was their recommendation that the road not be used.

Mark Russell, City Councilman, is supporting the Huntsville Utilities to try to help them obtain a better route further away from the property line. When he voted to approve the project, he didn't realize the impact of the lines to the homeowners due to wording of the motion in the meeting.

Mo Brooks, Madison County Commissioner, commented that he had no vote on the issue and no vote on those who are able to make the decision; however, he is troubled by the zigzag position of the easement. He requested that the affected homeowners be notified in future situations.

Bill Pippin, President of the Huntsville Utilities, first and foremost apologized for not notifying the affected residents. He stated that in his 22 years that they have never notified the surrounding residents and he agrees that in the future they should change their policy. However, he did state that this issue was voted on in three public meetings (Huntsville Electric Utility Board Meeting, Gas & Works Board Meeting, City Council meeting) and approved. Mr. Pippin explained to the residents that the need for the line is that the load has gotten so great that a power outage could be 2-3 days since there is no back up supply. When they build the lines, it will be a transmission line from Hampton Cove to Gurley to Chase substations and Moon Town substation will connect in the future between the Gurley and Chase substations. This will provide a power ring for the area to eliminate lengthy outages. He stated the reason that they are doing it is for current and future reliability.

Jay Stowe, VP of Operations for the Huntsville Utilities, spoke about how the route was determined. Since the road was not a practical option, negotiations had started with the Sublett over the last year to determine an appropriate easement. They did not use eminent domain because they try to avoid it if an easement can be negotiated with the homeowner which it was. A tree line will remain for a portion and the lines will not be visible through the tree line; however, a guarantee that the tree line will permanently remain cannot be given because the property owner could remove them or they could interfere with the lines and need to be removed. Since the opposition to the lines arose, Huntsville Utilities is trying to work with the property owner to alter the original easement; however, at this time the route that they have is the only route that they have.

Kevin McClure gave a PowerPoint presentation on behalf of the Twelvestones residents. (It is attached and made part of these minutes) As a group, they are not against the power line and understand the need for it. Their main issue is the location of the power line in certain areas. Joseph Summers presented the economic impact (This handout is attached and made part of these minutes). Kelly Myers, resident of Twelvestones and accountant, went to multiple real estate agents to try to get a fair assessment of the affect on property values and calculated this handout. Mr. Summers said they believe the stewardship of tax payers and can see the negative financial impact these lines might have.

The floor was then opened to residents to ask questions. (A number of questions were asked but only the ones not covered previous in these minutes are discussed in these minutes.)

- A resident asked about the health risks from the transmission lines and no answer was given.

- The Huntsville Utility company was asked for a timeline and they stated they would like to have an answer by the end of the month and when they do know the final option they offered to meet again with the HCOA.
- A resident asked why the HCOA was not notified of the use of the U & D easement behind Cobblestone Cove. The utility company responded that they are not required to notify people if they need to use a U & D easement.
- A resident asked how to know to go to city meetings and of similar type issues before they are approved. Mr. Stowe stated that the three meetings are standard meetings with public agendas. The Huntsville Utility agendas are published on their website.
- A resident asked if an impact analysis was performed. Mr. Stowe stated that ADEM has approved the project and there was no cause for an impact study.

Before the Huntsville Utility company and other City officials exited the meeting, Huntsville Utilities summarized what they would do. They said they would keep trying to negotiate another route with the property owner and will talk to the attorney to query about eminent domain.

Mo Brooks suggested an effort that would put together resources to purchase property and/or utilize eminent domain that will be used in the future to place a road through the Sublett property. This acquisition would allow the power lines to go on this property. To do this, the residents would need to have City of Huntsville in agreement to obtain the land and four of the seven county commissioner votes. Donn Hall agreed to discuss this loosely described option further with the city.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20.