

**SPECIAL SESSION:**

State of West Virginia, County of Jefferson, to-wit:

At a Special Session of the County Commission of said County and State held at the Jefferson County Commission Meeting Room on the lower floor of the Old Charles Town Library at 200 E. Washington Street, Charles Town on Tuesday, January 22, 2013, beginning at 11:30 a.m.

**SENATOR JOHN UNGER AND THE WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS DISCUSSION ON ROAD/HIGHWAY ISSUES AT CATTAIL ROAD/RT. 9, CHARLES TOWN ROAD/RT. 9 INTERSECTIONS, RT. 51, RT. 340, PAVING ON HITE ROAD, TIMING OF CAUTION LIGHTS AT RT. 340/BAKERTON ROAD & SUBDIVISIONS DISSECTED BY RT. 340.**

Mr. Manuel opened the Work Session at 11:30 a.m.

Present for the County Commission: Dale Manuel, President  
Walt Pellish, Vice President  
Patsy Noland, Commissioner  
Jane Tabb, Commissioner  
Lyn Widmyer, Commissioner

County Administrator: Debbie Keyser  
Administrative Assistant Cynthia Schott

WV Department of Highways Representatives: Tim Kirk, Traffic Operations  
David Bodnar, Engineering Division  
Marvin G. Murphy, Asst. Deputy Secretary  
Barry Knotts, D5 Maintenance Engineer  
Nathan Ware, Expressway Supervisor WV 9/WV 340  
Kyle Koppenhaver, Project Engineer  
Richard Warner, P.E., Program Planner & Administration  
Ken Colhan, District Traffic Engineer

Elected Officials Representatives: Senator John Unger  
Delegate Paul Espinosa – 66<sup>th</sup> District

The Commission shared their concerns to the WV Division of Highway representatives regarding Cattail Road/Rt.9, Charles Town Road/Rt. 9 intersection, Rt. 51, Rt. 340 and the timing of caution lights on Rt. 340/Bakerton Road. Mr. Manuel inquired as to the status of the paving on Hite Road. Mr. Pellish enquired if any dialogue had been started regarding the expansion of 340 E. with the Park Service, MD, VA and Federal Representatives. Ms. Noland enquired if the ATF is planning on installing any traffic lights on 340. Ms. Widmyer enquired about the State Bikeway Plan and if Jefferson County is included.

Senator John Unger requested of the WV Department of Highways to come back to the Jefferson County Commission with a report on their findings resulting from the questions posed today. Mr. Unger also stressed communications between the WV Division of Highways, Jefferson County Commission and the Jefferson County Planning Commission.

Mr. Manuel opened the floor to questions from the audience.

Peter Fricke, Middleway resident – inquired as to the change in speed limit on Rt. 1 from 25-35.

Rachel Douglas – Jefferson County resident – expressed concerns about sight distance on 115 and old Rt. 9.

Richard Sussmann – Representing Property Management People, representing County Green and Norborne- Glebe- requested a traffic light at the intersection Citizens Way & 115.

Nance Briscoe, Jefferson County resident - thanked Senator Unger for convening the meeting. Ms. Briscoe asked for some kind of information regarding Ryan Glenn for residents who might lose their homes.

Brad Grubb, Ryan Glenn subdivision asked for clarification as to the realignments in Ryan Glenn regarding path number 4.

Bill Chesley, Jefferson County resident – encouraged the WV Division of Highways not to overlook the growing future population when expanding 340S.

Cheryl Keyrouze, Director of Eastern Panhandle Transit Authority – inquired if the WVDOH takes into consideration the use of buses when planning and developing roads.

Jean Reynolds – Jefferson County resident, expressed concerns regarding the safety on Cattail Road with the increase in traffic.

The meeting recessed at 12:40 pm and will reconvene at 1:30 to board the bus to tour areas of concern.

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm when the bus tour concluded.

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Dale Manuel, PRESIDENT