

MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY
ORDINANCE NO. 2022-05

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SPECIFICATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPOSED COUNTY (GRAVEL) ROADS WHICH EXISTED PRIOR TO THE ENACTMENT OF THE MEADE COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

SUMMARY VERSION

This is a summary version of an ordinance relating to specifications and minimum requirements for roads which are proposed for acceptance into the County Road System (gravel roads), but which roads were in existence before the enactment of the Meade County Planning and Zoning Ordinance.

The full version of this ordinance can be obtained in the Meade County Judge Executive's Office at the Meade County courthouse, 516 Hillcrest Drive, Brandenburg, KY 40108.

Given First Reading on the 13th day of December 2022, and approved by at least a majority of the fiscal court members.

This ordinance will be read again, considered again, and possibly adopted by the Meade County Fiscal Court in the main courtroom of the Meade County Courthouse, 516 Hillcrest Drive, Brandenburg, KY on the 10th day of January, 2023.

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WHEREAS, the Meade Fiscal Court desires to adopt certain specifications and minimum requirements for roads which are proposed for acceptance into the County Road System (gravel roads), but which roads were in existence before the enactment of the Meade County Planning and Zoning Ordinance;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF THE COUNTY OF MEADE, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Before any gravel road can be accepted into the Meade County Road System under this ordinance, the following conditions must exist:

- (a) The road must have been in existence and constant usage prior to the enactment of the Meade County Zoning ordinance and must have been in continuous use for at least five (5) years prior to the date of its proposal to be accepted into the County Road System. Said road must service a minimum of three (3) residences.
- (b) The road must be approved by the Magistrate of the District in which it lies and must also be approved by the County Road Supervisor.
- (c) The road must have a minimum twenty (20) foot wide roadbed from ditch line to ditch line, with a minimum of sixteen (16) foot wide travel surface.
- (d) If the road goes thru a subdivision or leads from a public road to a subdivision, it shall have a minimum eight (8) inch dense grade aggregate base or equivalent.
- (e) If the road is constructed of bituminous concrete, said road must conform to applicable Meade County Road Department specifications.
- (f) Ditches and cross-drainage ditches must be provided in order to assure positive drainage.
- (g) The road and the related right-of-way shall be at least thirty (30) feet wide, fifteen (15) feet in each direction as measured from the centerline of the road.

- (h) A road that dead ends and is not a through road shall end in a cul-de-sac at least sixty (60) feet in diameter and with a right-of-way at least seventy-four (74) feet wide. Said cul-de-sac and related right-of-way shall be constructed in accordance with the minimum specifications as shown on Exhibit A attached hereto.
- (i) The road and the related right-of-way shall be deeded to Meade County if said road is accepted into the County Road System.
- (j) A plat of said road shall be recorded in the Meade County Clerk's Office after the acceptance into the County Road System.
- (k) All driveways and other roads intersecting the road shall have a tile of at least fifteen (15) inches in diameter. All tiles shall be bought by the land owner and shall be installed by the county. Tiles may be omitted if the location is at a crest of a high point in the road and water will flow in each direction, if approved by the county road foreman.
- (l) If the land owners who own property on the road do not have the funds or ability to bring the gravel roadway up to County Road standards, the County Road Supervisor may estimate the total cost of the materials necessary to bring the road up to the aforesaid standards. If the land owners are able to collect sufficient funds to cover the cost of the materials, the road may be voted into the County Road System, the funds used to provide the materials for the road enhancements, and the County Road crew may provide the labor to bring the road up to the aforesaid standards and specifications.
- (m) If the land owners desire to change the road surface from gravel to asphalt or chip and seal, even after the road is accepted into the County Road System, the road must meet county road specifications and the land owners must pay the costs associated with said road improvements.

SECTION 2: All motions, ordinances, orders, resolutions, and parts thereof, in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

SECTION 4. If any part of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, such part shall be deemed severable and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this ordinance.

Given first reading on the _____ day of _____, _____;

Given second reading on the _____ day of _____, 2023, 7:00 pm EST at the Meade County Courthouse, 516 Hillcrest Drive, Brandenburg, KY 40108;
Adopted by the Fiscal Court of Meade County, Kentucky on the _____ day of _____, 2023.

MEADE COUNTY FISCAL COURT

ATTEST TO:

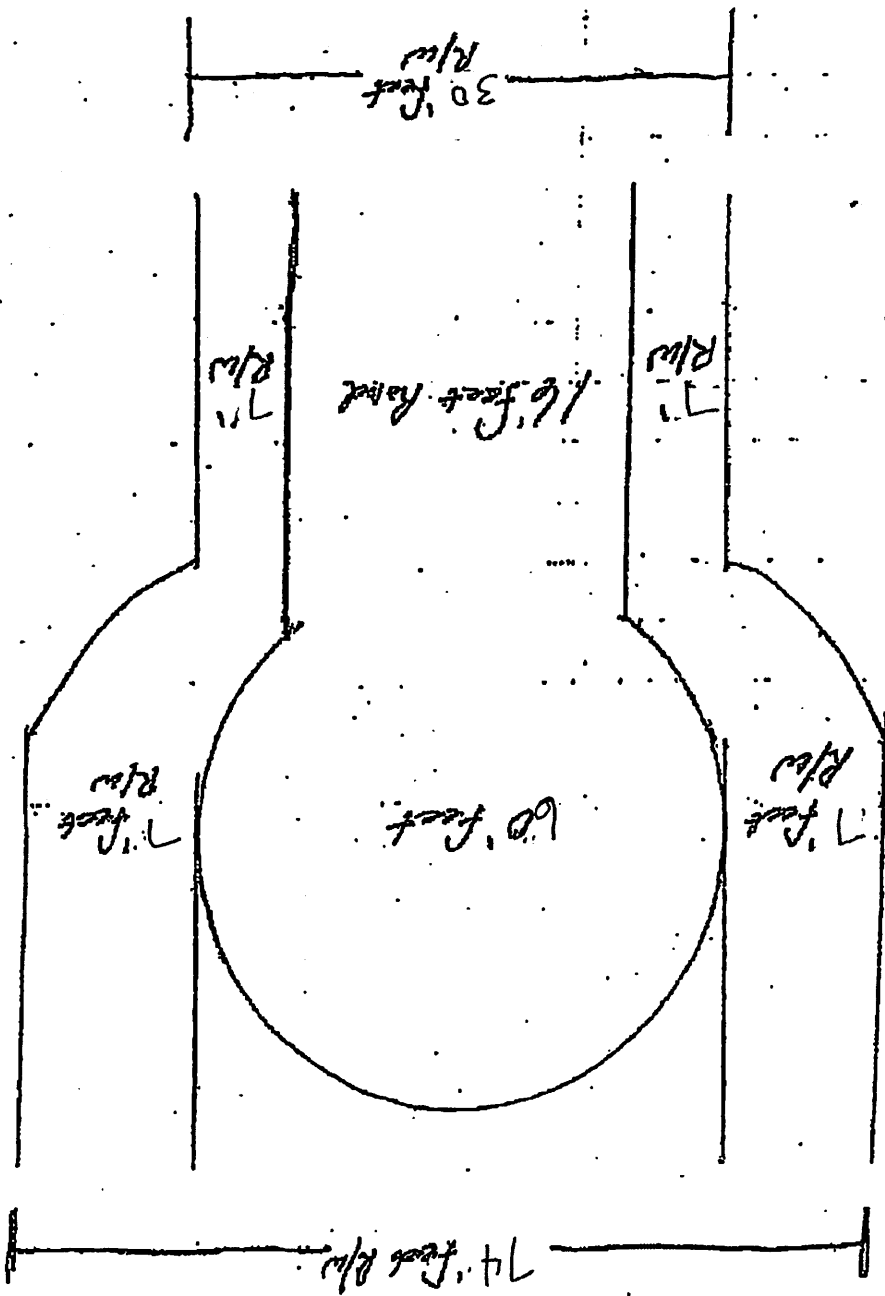
BY: _____
LESLIE STITH
Meade County Judge Executive

TAMMY GRAHAM
Fiscal Court Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BY: _____
MEADE COUNTY ATTORNEY

drawing is correct - 30' Right-of-way
w/ 16' Road Bed (Travel surface)



**MEADE COUNTY FISCAL COURT PROCEDURE FOR ACCEPTING ROAD INTO THE
COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM**

1. A formal request may be made by either a Magistrate or the County Judge Executive at a regularly scheduled Fiscal Court meeting to formally adopt a proposed road into the county road system.
2. A motion must be made, seconded, and carried to appoint the Road Viewing Committee to view the proposed road and reporting back to the Fiscal Court.
3. The Road Viewing Committee shall provide a written report to Fiscal Court during a regularly scheduled court meeting following its examination of said road
4. If the Road Viewing Committee's report confirms that the road may be formally adopted into the county road system and upon adoption of said report by the Fiscal Court and if it appears to the Fiscal Court that the interest of the general public may be furthered by the adoption of said road into the county road system, the Fiscal Court shall personally examine the proposed road
5. Following the Fiscal Court's examination of the proposed road, County Judge Executive shall appoint a day for hearing the parties interested and cause notice thereof to be given to all interested parties and shall publish said notice in the county paper pursuant to KRS Chapter 434.
6. Following the public hearing, the interested land owners shall have a Deed of Conveyance prepared at their own expense conveying fee simply title of the proposed road to Meade County, and after said deed is signed by all interested land owners, they shall submit said deed to the County Attorney for review and approval. If the road is a platted subdivision road, no deed shall be necessary.
7. Following the County Attorney's approval of the Deed of Conveyance, the County Attorney shall notify the Fiscal Court during a regular scheduled meeting that it may proceed with the process of formally accepting the proposed road into the county road system.
8. Upon the County Attorney's notification, the County Judge Executive shall place the matter of formally accepting the proposed road into the county road system on the agenda of a regularly scheduled Fiscal Court meeting for the Fiscal Court to hear said matter, and the County Judge Executive shall publish notice of the matter pursuant to KRS Chapter 424 and shall prepare a Resolution of Acceptance of said road into the county road system.
9. During the regularly scheduled meeting of Fiscal Court in which the formal acceptance of the proposed road is on the agenda, a motion to adopt the resolution

which formally accepts said road into the county road system must be made, seconded, and carried by vote of the Fiscal Court.

10. If the motion is carried and the resolution is adopted, a certified copy of the resolution shall be posted at the courthouse door within five business (5) days after its adoption and a certified copy of the resolution shall be posted by the county road engineer/foreman of the county along or at the proposed road within five (5) business days of its adoption.