

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: July 10, 2018
LOCATION: Kendall County Highway Department
MEMBERS PRESENT: Matt Kellogg, Judy Gilmour and Lynn Cullick
STAFF PRESENT: Ginger Gates, Fran Klaas and John Burscheid
ALSO PRESENT: PJ Fitzpatrick and Kelly Farley

The committee meeting convened at 4:02 P.M. with roll call of committee members. Gryder and Davidson absent. Quorum established.

Motion Gilmour; second Cullick to approve the agenda as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion Cullick; second Gilmour to approve the Highway Committee meeting minutes from June 12, 2018. Motion approved unanimously.

Bid opening was held on July 10, 2018 for replacement of a box culvert on Ament Road using the Township Bridge Program. Motion Cullick; second Gilmour to recommend approval of a resolution awarding contract to Riber Construction to construct the new box culvert at a total cost of \$237,292. There were 4 bidders on the project. Riber's bid was 0.63% over the engineer's estimate. Motion to recommend approval of the resolution to the County Board approved unanimously.

Klaas and Kellogg presented proposed changes to the County's 5-Year Transportation Plan. There were approximately a dozen proposed changes to the current Plan for proposed road and bridge construction projects over the next 5 years. The committee reviewed all of the proposed changes, and members were encouraged to think about any additional changes over the next month or two. Committee was in general agreement with the changes, and Kellogg directed the County Engineer to send the revised draft to committee members. The final version of the 2019-2023 Plan will be coming back to the Highway Committee in September for final approval.

County Engineer reminded the Committee that the County Board sets speed limits on both county and township highways. Little Rock Township has requested a reduction in the speed limit on River Road. Bristol Township has not yet requested the same reduction, but Klaas indicated that he would be speaking to the Highway Commissioner about this issue. Committee was in favor of a reduced speed on this roadway. Klaas also advised the Committee that he would like to look at a reduced speed limit on Little Rock Road, from Meyerbrook Subdivision to Galena Road. This is a narrow, winding rural roadway that may have safety benefits with a reduced speed. Committee was also in favor of looking at this section of roadway. After completing engineering studies, recommendations will be brought back to the Highway Committee for further action at a later date.

Kellogg indicated that August Highway Committee meeting will likely be cancelled because of conflicts.

PJ Fitzpatrick briefly discussed the Collins Road Extension project. Design Report approval is anticipated on August 7, 2018. This will allow the County to start thinking about the next steps for this project. WBK is working with Jackie Forbes at KKCOM for future funding opportunities.

Kellogg reported that the County is making application for a BUILD grant to fund construction of the Eldamain Road project from River Road to Illinois Route 71. Klaas discussed how this grant program provides for up to \$25 million for qualifying projects; however, he didn't believe the County would likely receive such a large amount. There might be opportunities to break the project up into smaller pieces and construct over a longer period of time. Deadline for this round of applications is July 31, 2018.

Motion Cullick; second Gilmour to forward Highway Department bills for the month of July in the amount of \$1,718,221.21 to the Finance Committee for approval. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion Cullick; second Gilmour to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Francis C. Klaas, P.E.
Kendall County Engineer

Action Items

1. Resolution awarding Ament Road box culvert construction to Riber Construction in the amount of \$237,292