

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: January 10, 2017
LOCATION: Kendall County Highway Department
MEMBERS PRESENT: Matt Kellogg, Scott Gryder, Lynn Cullick and Bob Davidson
STAFF PRESENT: Ginger Gates, Fran Klaas and John Burscheid
ALSO PRESENT: P.J. Fitzpatrick, Kelly Farley and Jarrod Cebulski

The committee meeting convened at 4:00 P.M. with roll call of committee members. Elizabeth Flowers absent. Quorum established.

Motion Davidson; second Gryder, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Cullick, second Gryder to approve the Highway Committee meeting minutes from November 8, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

An agreement between Kendall County and Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. to provide preliminary engineering services for replacement of a drainage structure on Ament Road was presented to the committee. The project is in Kendall Township and would utilize Township Bridge Program funds; which provides for 80% payment by IDOT, and 10% each for the County and the Township for all engineering and construction costs. The agreement provides for engineering fees in the amount of \$28,500 for this project. State's Attorney office has reviewed the agreement. Motion Gryder; second Cullick to recommend approval of the agreement to the County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

An agreement between Kendall County and Hutchison Engineering, Inc. for replacement of the Clear Creek Bridge in Millington was presented to the committee. This bridge is located on Fox River Drive near the railroad tracks in Millington. The structure is nearly 70 years old, is scour critical, and has bearings that are failing. It is in the County's 5-Year Plan for replacement in 2019. Replacement of the bridge will require closing Fox River Drive during construction. The agreement specifies fees not to exceed \$177,100. Motion Gryder; second Cullick to recommend approval of the agreement to the County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

A supplemental agreement between Kendall County and Willett Hofmann & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$48,479.99 was presented to the committee. This supplemental agreement covers extra work required by IEPA and IDNR to assess water quality, aquatic species and wetland species in a tributary creek to the W. Aux Sable, as well as other services necessary to take this project to a March 10, 2017 letting. The County Engineer was supportive of the supplemental amount. This project will also require the closing of Grove Road, and will utilize Brisbin Road as a signed detour route. Motion Cullick; second Davidson to recommend approval of the agreement to the County Board.

An agreement between Kendall County, City of Yorkville and Bristol Road District was presented to the committee. Klaas explained the need for the agreement because of the proposed replacement of the Galena Road Bridge over Blackberry Creek in 2018, and the plan to use

Kennedy Road, Bristol Ridge Road and Cannonball Trail as a signed detour route. Trying to stage construction of the new bridge using one-lane traffic would likely not work well because of the high volume of traffic on Galena Road and the additional time necessary for stage construction. Additionally, stage construction is estimated to cost \$225,000 more than closing the road and providing a signed detour route. The biggest obstacle to using Kennedy Road as a signed detour route is that it is in very bad condition. Klaas suggested that the County could resurface Kennedy Road for an estimated \$160,000 and still be money ahead. Davidson asked about the narrow lanes on Kennedy Road. He also suggested that the agreement should have some kind of maximum dollar exposure to the County, such as the \$160,000 estimate for improvement. Burscheid indicated that the City might not have the ability to participate in the cost of the Kennedy Road improvement due to budget issues if the cost exceeds \$160,000. Gryder asked about the timeframe. Klaas said that the bridge replacement is scheduled for 2018, but would like to pave Kennedy Road in 2017 so that the detour route is ready to go early in 2018 if the contractor is ready to start bridge construction. Kellogg asked if Kennedy Road was on the City's list of proposed improvements for 2017. Klaas indicated it was not. This agreement will be forwarded to Yorkville and Bristol for further negotiation on the terms.

Davidson asked about the similarity with Eldamain Road detour when construction begins between River Road and Route 34, and what detour would be used for that project. Klaas stated that the County couldn't use Mitchell Road because it doesn't exit. Instead, the detour would be on River Road, Fox River Drive and Route 34. Davidson supported the connection of Mitchell Road, while Gryder and Cullick argued against spending County money on it. Davidson thought it would save money on the Eldamain construction if Mitchell Road could be used as a detour, and also provide additional safety.

The committee reviewed a resolution to place weight limit restrictions on certain county highways for the winter / spring of 2017, with a 90 day maximum time limit. Motion Cullick; second Gryder to recommend approval of said resolution. Motion carried with Davidson opposed.

The committee reviewed a request for the use of eminent domain to acquire two small triangles of new right-of-way at the intersection of Millington Road and Rogers Road. The new right-of-way would be used to improve the sight distance at this intersection, which has experienced some very serious accidents over the past couple years, including two fatal accidents in 2015. The Highway Department has replaced and added signage at this location; and Klaas indicated that the Department is looking at all ways to improve safety. The acquisition of sight triangles would be one of several improvements being considered. The committee was shown pictures of how the sight triangle has improved sight distance on the east side of the intersection. Klaas indicated that the County did a similar thing on Eldamain Road by authorizing the use of eminent domain, even though the County eventually did not file any action in court. He expects a similar result in this case. Davidson asked about whether there was enough right-of-way to install a roundabout. There is not. Additionally, a roundabout would cost approximately \$750,000. Klaas pointed out that Millington Road is a county highway; a north/south thru-street. There are multiple local roads that intersect with Millington Road; but they all stop for Millington. He would like to keep Millington as the thru-street, if possible. The committee discussed the limits of jurisdiction on Millington Road for both Kendall and LaSalle Counties. Kellogg asked about the value of the acquisition. Klaas indicated that there would be appraisals made, but the value would certainly be less than \$1,000 because the parcels are each only a little over 0.02 acre in size. Motion

Davidson; second Cullick to recommend the use of eminent domain to the County Board. Motion carried with Gryder opposed.

Kelly Farley gave an update on the Little Rock Road improvements. The plans are 99% complete, right-of-way has been acquired, and the project is going to a letting in the spring of 2017.

P.J. Fitzpatrick provided an update on the Collins Road extension. Phase I Engineering is ongoing. The consultant has met with IDOT and FHWA recently and has refined the purpose and need for the project. A public meeting will be held on February 7, 2017 at the Oswego High School to provide information and discuss the proposed project with the general public.

Klaas provided a power point presentation on some of the long range transportation goals for the County, as well as the proposed 5-Year Plan. The committee discussed the need for additional Fox River bridges and north / south corridors. Committee discussed the alignment of the Prairie Parkway and the WIKADUKE Trail, as well as certain projects in the 5-Year Plan. Also discussed Brisbin Road alignment at Sherrill and rededication of Church Road right-of-way.

Motion Davidson; second Cullick to forward Highway Department bills for the month of January in the amount of \$183,543.70 to the Finance Committee for approval. Motion to approve bills carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



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

Action Items

1. Agreement with Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. to provide preliminary engineering services for the replacement of a drainage structure on Ament Road utilizing Township Bridge Program Funds in the amount of \$28,500.
2. Agreement with Hutchison Engineering, Inc. to provide preliminary engineering services for the replacement of the Clear Creek Bridge in Millington in an amount not to exceed \$177,100.
3. Supplemental Agreement with Willett Hofmann & Associates, Inc. for completion of preliminary engineering on Grove Road Bridge over W. Aux Sable Creek in the amount on \$48,479.99.
4. Resolution authorizing the posting of weight limit restrictions on certain roads in Kendall County.
5. Resolution authorizing the use eminent domain to acquire new right-of-way along the west side of Millington Road at N4650 Road intersection.