## **HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**DATE:** February 14, 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 and Kelly Farley

The committee meeting convened at 4:03 P.M. with roll call of committee members. Elizabeth Flowers absent. Quorum established.

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

Motion Gryder, second Cullick to approve the Highway Committee meeting minutes from January 10, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Gryder; second Cullick to approve a resolution appropriating \$1,450,000 of Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the widening and resurfacing of Fox Road from Fox River Drive to Poplar Drive. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Cullick; second Gryder to approve a resolution appropriating \$455,000 of Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the resurfacing of Plattville-Chicago Road from Route 47 to Grove Road. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Gryder; second Cullick to approve a resolution appropriating \$325,000 of Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the resurfacing of Millington Road from Lions Road to a point 3/4 mile south of Rogers Road. Motion carried unanimously.

An intergovernmental agreement between Kendall County, City of Yorkville and Bristol Road District was presented to the committee. Motion Cullick; second Gryder to recommend approval of the IGA to the County Board. The IGA addresses the proposed improvements to Kennedy Road as part of the Galena Road over Blackberry Creek bridge project. Kennedy Road would be used as a signed detour route during replacement of said bridge. Kellogg reported that the agencies are concurrently approving the IGA, which includes a \$160,000 payment by the County for their share of the cost of improving Kennedy Road. The \$160,000 is a not-to-exceed cost for the County, and the County will no longer be the lead agency. Improvements on Kennedy Road will have to be completed by May 15, 2018 which falls within the County's time schedule for the bridge replacement. Payment must be made by the County to the City within 30 days after the improvements are completed. The agreement also includes a provision that requires the City to donate a small parcel of right-of-way along the south side of Galena Road that is required as part of the bridge replacement project. Motion carried unanimously.

A resolution authorizing the use of eminent domain at the intersection of Millington Road and Rogers Road was presented to the committee. Motion Cullick; second Davidson to recommend approval of the resolution to the County Board. Davidson asked what would be the next move if

acquisition of these sight triangles didn't work. Klaas indicated that it would likely depend on the nature of any additional accidents, and whether vehicles were stopping at the stop signs or running the stop signs. Everything would be on the table; but he reminded the committee that Millington Road was a thru county highway, and he would prefer not to put 4-way stop signs at all the intersections on Millington Road. Davidson then discussed the idea of traffic signals, roundabouts, or other more significant improvements. Klaas indicated that those types of improvements could cost millions of dollars. He stated that the simplest safety improvements might include flashing lights, rumble strips and 4-ways stops. Davidson suggested that perhaps we should acquire more right-of-way than what we need for the sight triangles so that a larger improvement could be made in the future. Klaas stated the County would have to careful not to condemn property that isn't currently required for the proposed improvement. The current proposal is just for acquisition of extremely small slivers of right-of-way to provide increased intersection sight distance... about 0.03 acre in each corner. Gryder asked what the current traffic count was at this intersection. Burscheid indicated that Millington Road had about 1500 ADT, while Rogers Road had about 1150 to the east and 1650 to the west. Additional discussion continued on the nature of other rural accident locations around the county. Motion carried with Gryder voting no.

Kellogg reported that the County held a public information meeting on the Collins Road Extension, and it was very successful. There has subsequently been some negative feedback from folks in the subdivision to the south of the project; but Gryder reported that these folks were unaware that there is another subdivision planned in between their subdivision and the County's road project.

Klaas reported that Village of Millington has applied for \$17,500 in TAP funds for construction of sidewalks in Millington. This will come before the Highway Committee and County Board for approval in March. Because this was the only application, there will be a significantly larger balance in the Fund next year. Klaas suggested the County might want to consider using the TAP monies for construction of a path or sidewalk along Fox Road within the corporate limits of Yorkville sometime in the future. Davidson reminded the committee that we don't have to spend the money.

Kelly Farley updated the committee on the Little Rock Road safety project. CMT delivered all final bid documents to the County on February 3, 2017. The project goes to letting on March 31, 2017. Gryder asked what the traffic count was on Little Rock Road. South of Galena Road the count is 1750, while north of Galena Road it is over 6000.

Gryder asked about the status of the Dauberman Road project in Kane County. Klaas reported that he had attended the public information meeting. Said project is in Phase I Engineering, but there is no money for construction in Kane County's multi-year plan. The limits of the project are centered on Route 30 and the connection of Dauberman to Granart Road.

PJ Fitzpatrick also reported on the Collins Road Extension public hearing. He discussed the alternative alignments that they had previously investigated, and the updated purpose and need for the project, which is being reviewed by Illinois Department of Transportation. All the exhibits from the public meeting are now posted on the County's web site. There was good representation from local governmental agencies at the informational meeting. Most of the negative comments from the meeting revolved around the proposed redi-mix plant proposed along Minkler Road; but

one has nothing to do with the other. There were positive comments about proposed roundabouts on the corridor. After the purpose and need is established, WBK will be able to hit the project hard, and should be able to complete the Phase I Engineering by the end of this year. After completion, the County will be making application for Phase II funding through KKCOM.

Pre-Phase I Engineering for the WIKADUKE Trail project will be discussed at the next committee meeting. The County Engineer is reviewing the scope of services for the agreement that will come before the County. Gryder reminded the committee that this project has been around for 25 years, so it's important to get working on it soon, as there are communities working on plans that will have an effect on the alignment.

Klaas indicated that Grundy County would like to have a joint transportation meeting soon to discuss mutual issues. Kellogg thought early April would be a good time frame. Gryder had heard that the new Grundy County Board Chair was interested in talking to Kendall County again in regard to Brisbin Road. Other issues with Brisbin Road were discussed as they relate to the reconstruction of Sherrill Road.

Motion Cullick; second Gryder to forward Highway Department bills for the month of February in the amount of \$218,572.21 to the Finance Committee for approval. Motion to approve bills carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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## **Action Items**

- 1. Resolution appropriating \$1,450,000 of Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the widening and resurfacing of Fox Road from Fox River Drive to Poplar Drive.
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- 4. Intergovernmental Agreement between Kendall County, Bristol Road District, and City of Yorkville relating to the Galena Road Bridge Project and associated detour routes, including payment of \$160,000 to City of Yorkville for use of Kennedy Road as detour.
- 5. Resolution authorizing the use of eminent domain to acquire certain parcels of land for roadway purposes along Millington Road and Rogers Road within LaSalle County.