## **HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**DATE:** September 13, 2016

LOCATION: Kendall County Highway Department

MEMBERS PRESENT: Judy Gilmour, Jeff Wehrli and Prochaska

STAFF PRESENT: Ginger Gates, Fran Klaas and John Burscheid

**ALSO PRESENT:** P.J. Fitzpatrick and Jarrod Cebulski

The committee meeting convened at 4:00 P.M. with roll call of committee members. Dan Koukol and Scott Gryder absent. Quorum established.

Motion Wehrli; second Prochaska, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Prochaska, second Wehrli to approve the Highway Committee meeting minutes from August 9, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

A continuing discussion from last month's meeting centered on the idea of local agencies paying a per-capita fee to CMAP. For years, the agency's overreliance on the State of Illinois for the local match has created several circumstances in which CMAP was nearly forced to close its doors. It is typical for counties and municipalities across the country to pay fees to support their respective MPO's. For Kendall County, the FY 2017 assessment would be \$17,822, and the FY 2018 assessment would be \$29,703. It is expected that fees in future years would also be around \$30,000. Klaas suggested that the fees could be taken out of the Transportation Sales Tax Fund. This would be consistent with the use of this fund for other transportation planning and engineering efforts. It would also keep the financial burden off the General Fund. Prochaska pointed out that millions of dollars of federal money has flowed through CMAP to Kendall County, and he certainly wouldn't want to jeopardize that. Wehrli wondered if the State of Illinois would ever start paying a bigger share again and reduce the burden on the locals. That is not likely in the current budget crisis. Wehrli suggested that this matter should go before the County Board, and if approved, then just the FY 2017 fee should be paid. The matter could be reevaluated for future years. Motion Wehrli; second Prochaska to send this matter to the County Board for consideration. Motion carried unanimously.

The Highway Committee members reviewed the proposed 5-Year Surface Transportation Plan for 2017 to 2021. Klaas discussed some specific projects that had been moved up or back in the plan from the previous year's update. Motion Prochaska; second Wehrli to forward the proposed Plan to the County Board for approval. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee reviewed bids for resurfacing the Highway Department parking lot. Motion Prochaska; second Wehrli to recommend approval of the low bid from D Construction in the amount of \$80,570. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Prochaska; second Wehrli to forward Highway Department bills for the month of September in the amount of \$284,375.85 to the Finance Committee for approval. Motion to approve bills carried unanimously.

P.J. Fitzpatrick provided an update on the Collins Road Extension project. A coordination meeting with IDOT and FHWA will be held on October 13, 2016. Wehrli asked about compensatory storage for the proposed crossing of Morgan Creek. Fitzpatrick indicated that the proposed structure is a single span bridge. There would be opportunities for compensatory storage directly adjacent to the proposed bridge, which would be a typical for smaller structures like this.

Gilmour requested, and Klaas provided an update on the Orchard Road / Galena Road intersection improvement project. Klaas indicated that progress has been slow on the project, and the contractor only has a little over a month to get the job done, or liquidated damages would be applied.

Meeting adjourned at 5:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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

## **Action Items (Highway)**

- 1. Approve the use of Transportation Sales Tax Funds for the local element payment of \$17,822 to CMAP for FY 2017.
- 2. Approve the 5-Year Surface Transportation Program for 2017-2021
- 3. Approve low bid of D Construction in the amount of \$80,570 to pave the Highway Department parking lot using County Highway Funds.