

## HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MINUTES

**DATE:** October 11, 2016  
**LOCATION:** Kendall County Highway Department  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dan Koukol, Scott Gryder, Judy Gilmour, Jeff Wehrli and Matt Prochaska  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Fran Klaas, Andy Myers and John Burscheid  
**ALSO PRESENT:** P.J. Fitzpatrick, Kelly Farley, John Duggan, Joe Hamman and Dave Hamman

The committee meeting convened at 4:00 P.M. with roll call of committee members. All present. Quorum established.

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

Motion Wehrli, second Gilmour to approve the Highway Committee meeting minutes from September 13, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

John Duggan and the Hamman brothers presented a proposal for access to the east side of Eldamain Road north of U.S. Route 34. They have a prospective buyer who is interested in developing an elderly care facility on roughly 16 acres. Klaas indicated that Eldamain Road is classified as an Access 2 County Highway which requires a spacing for public streets of 1760' and for private accesses of 1320'. Because of the proximity of U.S. Route 34 and Hoffman Street, it is not possible to place a public street in between these two streets without obtaining a variance to the Access Ordinance from the County Board.

Duggan stated that this Kelaka Property is owned by the Hamman's and has been annexed to the City of Yorkville with B-3 zoning. Dover development is desirous of locating in the City of Yorkville. They would like a full access just north of the YMCA, and another full access about 900' north of that. Koukol asked about the access to Route 34, and Duggan stated that they have not yet talked to IDOT about that access. Koukol asked about the number of residents that might be in the proposed facility and Duggan thought it would be roughly 100. Gilmour wondered why there was so much access proposed, and what other developments might be going in this location. There really isn't any other development proposed at this time. Wehrli was uncomfortable with the full access proposed just north of the YMCA because of all the traffic turning movements. Hamman compared the access to Hofmann Street and asked what the total traffic number was on that street. Klaas indicated that the traffic count was not available on IDOT's website. He also stated that there was no current truck count on Eldamain since improvements have been made north of Menards.

Klaas discussed the need to be careful about the access provided on Eldamain Road because the expected future traffic will be very great. If full access is provided at many locations, it could eventually require many traffic signals that would slow traffic down on Eldamain. This was the whole point of developing the Access Regulation Ordinance. He also stated that it would be very important to make sure the proposed access was consistent with development plans for both the

City of Yorkville and City of Plano. The petitioner has not currently coordinated this development with the municipalities.

Wehrli suggested that perhaps if the north access was moved south a little bit, then the southerly access could be eliminated. It then might also serve the west side of the road a little better too. Koukol asked about the timeline for the project. Dave Hamman indicated that Dover development was in a big hurry to locate somewhere quickly. He also said this was kind of their first step in trying to determine how the accesses might look. The consensus of the Committee was to allow for a full access somewhere between Hoffman Street and Route 34. The petitioner would need more due diligence to determine the exact location, and could come back to the Committee with a more definitive plan.

Koukol asked about progress on the Ill. Rte. 126 / Old Ridge Road intersection. No additional information has been provided by IDOT. Klaas said that he would check with them on the status.

Andy Myers provided an update of the Orchard Road / Galena Road / Caterpillar Road project. Significant progress has been made recently, and the project is expected to be completed in about a week.

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.

Kelly Farley provided an update on the Little Rock Road improvement project.

Gilmour asked about the constitutional amendment regarding highway funding. The Committee discussed the pros and cons of this initiative. Gryder stated that he had spoken with the collar county chairs at CMAP meeting and there were some real concerns about this amendment. Prochaska concurred with that assessment after discussion at a UCCI meeting.

Motion Wehrli; second Prochaska to forward Highway Department bills for the month of October in the amount of \$518,167.22 to the Finance Committee for approval. Motion to approve bills carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



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Kendall County Engineer