

## HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MINUTES

**DATE:** August 10, 2021  
**LOCATION:** Kendall County Highway Department  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Scott Gryder, Amy Cesich, Matt Kellogg & Scott Gengler  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Michele Riley and Francis Klaas  
**ALSO PRESENT:** Ryan Sikes

The committee meeting convened at 3:30 P.M. with roll call of committee members. DeBolt absent. Quorum established.

Motion Kellogg; second Gengler, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion Gengler; second Kellogg, to approve the Highway Committee meeting minutes from July 13, 2021. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion Cesich; second Gengler to recommend approval of the low bid from Traffic Control Company in the amount of \$100,007 for pavement markings on Plainfield Road. Klaas reported that there were 5 bidders on this project, and the low bidder was substantially under the engineer's estimate. The project includes work to completely replace all the pavement markings on Plainfield Road between Grove Road and Ridge Road. Due to the relatively high traffic on Plainfield Road, and its curvilinear nature, the new pavement markings will be recessed slightly into the pavement. This should make them stay much brighter in appearance for a longer period of time. Many other transportation agencies are beginning to move toward the recessed markings. They are more expensive, but last much longer. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion Cesich; second Kellogg, to approve the low bid from Truck Centers, Inc. in the amount of \$146,598 for purchase of a single axle dump truck. Klaas reported that this truck will not be completely finished and paid for until FY 22; but considering that equipment is so hard to get right now, was encouraged by Finance Chairman Kellogg to get the order in the works. In fact, this truck will likely get delivered before the dump truck that was ordered last year. There will be some additional costs incurred to add a plow, auger and spinner; but the total price will be in line with expected and budgeted costs. Gengler asked about what would be done with trucks that the County gets rid of. Klaas indicated that they are first offered to other governmental agencies, and if no takers, they are then bid out for the best price. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion Kellogg; second Gengler to recommend approval of an agreement for right-of-way consulting services with Mathewson Land Services in the amount of \$127,500 for work on the Collins Road Extension Project. Limits of necessary land acquisition have finally been identified for this project. Mathewson has worked on several other high profile projects for the County, and has done outstanding work according to County Engineer, Klaas. Gryder asked when the project would actually be completed. Klaas estimated that construction would be completed in 2024. He also reminded the committee that local agencies do not have quick take powers; so if any of the parcels get tied up in condemnation, it could mess up the schedule. The committee then discussed specific aspects of the project, including the proposed bike path that ties into the Hunt Club Subdivision. Gryder also asked if this high priority project could be moved up in the

schedule. Klaas didn't think so due to the federal and state funding in the project, which are both programmed for 2023. Motion approved unanimously.

Under Chairman's Report, Gryder alerted the committee to a local petition that requested improvements to the intersection of Plainfield Road and Woolley Road. He also asked if any traffic studies have been done in that area. Klaas reported that the Highway Department had not done any recent traffic studies; but he was not opposed to looking at it. Traffic in the area has increased quite a bit in the past 5 to 10 years. Klaas suggested that the committee could consider adding this to the next update of the County's 5-Year Plan, which will be considered as early as next month. Gryder suggested that perhaps the County should look at the entire Plainfield corridor, since growth is really surging back around Oswego.

Klaas provided updates on several construction projects ongoing in the County.

Motion Cesich; second Gengler, to forward Highway Department bills for the month of August in the amount of \$708,946.20 to the Finance Committee for approval. By roll call vote, motion approved unanimously.

Motion Gengler; second Kellogg, to adjourn the meeting at 3:52 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



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

### **Action Items**

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