## **HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**DATE:** January 14, 2020

**LOCATION:** Kendall County Highway Department

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Amy Cesich, Judy Gilmour, Matt Kellogg, and Matt Prochaska

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ginger Gates, John Burscheid and Fran Klaas

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ryan Sikes

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

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

Motion Prochaska; second Kellogg, to approve the Highway Committee meeting minutes from December 10, 2019. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion Kellogg; second Gilmour to recommend approval of a Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement between Kendall County and Engineering Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$31,474 to prepare plan alternatives for storm water improvements on Fox River Drive (Johnson Street) in Newark, IL; said funds to be taken from the Transportation Sales Tax Fund. Klaas described the need to study the area on the north side of Newark. Road improvements that were scheduled for 2020 will be deferred until after the storm water problems can be resolved. Motion approved unanimously.

Klaas provided status updates to the Committee regarding current road and bridge projects in Kendall County. Prochaska asked when the local match funds would need to be available for the Eldamain Road project. Klaas indicated that Highway Department is working with Administration Department to develop a bond issue from the Transportation Sales Tax Fund. Local expenditures for that project will not be needed until 2021 or after. Gilmour asked how long the Eldamain project would take to build if construction started in 2021. Klaas said it would take at least 2 years, if not longer. He also said there was some uncertainty as to whether the County would be able to obtain \$3 million in Federal STR dollars, so the total bond issue could fluctuate somewhat. Committee discussed specifics of some of the other projects on the update list. Cesich asked if Highway Department oversees all the construction. Klaas stated that Highway generally provides all the inspection, except for federally funded projects, which usually has consultant supervision. Prochaska asked what impacts could be expected by the recent switch from the Rock Island District of Army Corps of Engineers to the Chicago District. Klaas didn't think ongoing projects would get switched mid-stream; but he did anticipate significant delays for future projects. Army Corps indicated the switch was made to better distribute the volume of work. Other miscellaneous job details were discussed by Committee.

In other business, Klaas provided preview of TAP applications. They included submittals from Oswego, Oswegoland Park District, Montgomery, Minooka and Newark. Merits of projects were discussed. Applications will continue to be evaluated over the next 60 days, and Highway Committee will announce successful applicants before April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Motion Gilmour; second Prochaska to forward Highway Department bills for the month of January in the amount of \$103,561.26 to the Finance Committee for approval. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion Prochaska; second Kellogg to adjourn the meeting at 4:03 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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

## **Action Item**

1. Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement between Kendall County and Engineering Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$31,474 to prepare plan alternatives for storm water improvements on Fox River Drive (Johnson Street) in Newark, IL; said funds to be taken from the Transportation Sales Tax Fund.