

**DeWITT COUNTY  
ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE OF MEETING: June 15, 2022

PLACE OF MEETING: DeWitt County Highway Department  
9900 Revere Rd, Clinton, IL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Travis Houser – Committee Chairman, Jay Wickenhauser, Jamie Prestegaard, Melonie Tilley, Brian Riddle

OTHERS PRESENT: Mark Mathon – County Engineer

**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION:**

Chairman Houser called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Prestegaard, seconded by Wickenhauser, to approve minutes of April 13, 2022 Road & Bridge Meeting. Unanimous.

Motion by Riddle, seconded by Prestegaard, seconded by Wickenhauser, to approve payment of bills. Unanimous.

Mathon presented an engineering contract from WHKS for plan development for the replacement of the CH 4 bridge over Trenkle Slough south of Farmer City. Mathon explained that repair options were evaluated for the deteriorating exterior beams but due to the age of the structure, replacement was warranted. Construction costs for the replacement structure will be split 80/20 through Federal bridge funds and County Bridge Fund. Motion by Tilley, seconded by Wickenhauser, to recommend to the full board to approve the contract from WHKS for Trenkle Slough Bridge Replacement Section 16-00011-02-BR in the Not to Exceed amount of \$127,000.00. Unanimous.

Mathon indicted the next agenda item, Bids for Nixon Section 16-06114-00-BR (Airport Rd), would be opened at a letting on Tuesday June 21 and be on the agenda for the full board. Advertising requirements for the IDOT Contractor's Bulletin necessitated an opening after the regular Road & Bridge committee meeting date.

Mathon indicted that the truck outfitter he has been working with for the new medium duty cab & chassis had been on vacation, so there are no quotes to review this month. Mathon told the committee he was working with the outfitter to break down the proposed equipment on the new cab & chassis into separate parts that will allow a portion of the work to be included in next budget year.

Mathon presented an Agreement for the County Engineer's Salary (BLR 09220) authorizing the transfer of half the salary from the County's Federal Surface Transportation Program Funds to the State for an equal amount of State Funds for the County Engineer's Salary. This agreement is in effect for a period of six years. Motion by Prestegaard, seconded by Tilley, to recommend to the full board to approve the Agreement for the County Engineer's Salary (BLR 09220) authorizing the transfer of half the salary from the County's Federal Surface Transportation Program Funds to the State for an equal amount of State Funds. Unanimous.

Mathon presented the resolution setting the County Engineer Salary that also allows the County MFT Fund to be reimbursed for half of the County Engineer's salary with federal funds. Mathon explained the County Engineer's Salary Program to the committee, and shared that the salary was reflective of the 2% non-union salaried employee raise instituted by the Board at the start of the fiscal year. Motion by Wickenhauer, seconded by Tilley, to recommend to the full board to approve the Resolution for Salary and Expenses of DeWitt County Engineer, Section 22-00000-00-CS & 22-CS039-00-AC. Unanimous.

Mathon updated the committee on several topics

- Weekly meetings to discuss wind farm road work have resumed. The mill & overlay of CH 17 South (South Rd) from IL 10 to Thorps Rd is scheduled to occur the week of June 20. The timing of this work did not allow for the County to solicit bids for the milling & overlay of the remaining 2 miles of this road into Waynesville, so that portion will be done as a separate contract at a later time. Sealcoat work on the township roads within the project is currently scheduled to start in mid-July. Mathon expects to have more details after the next weekly meeting.
- Crew has started the first round of County Highway right of way mowing
- An employee that had been off on FMLA leave is expected to be back the week of June 20.

Motion by Tilley, seconded by Wickenhauser, to adjourn at 5:49 p.m.

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION:**

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#### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNTY BOARD:**

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salary from the County's Federal Surface Transportation Program Funds to the State for an equal amount of State Funds. Unanimous.

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Chairman

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