



**Ogle County Highway Department**  
**Road & Bridge Committee**  
Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2019

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:03 AM by Chairman Hopkins at the Ogle County Courthouse, Room 100.  
Members present: Stan Asp, Dorothy Bowers, Lloyd Droege, Rick Fritz (8:05) and Lyle Hopkins.  
Others present: Jeremy Ciesiel, County Engineer
- II. Approval of Minutes
  - A. Reviewed June 11, 2019 Road & Bridge Minutes.
    1. Motion to approve minutes by – Dorothy Bowers
    2. Motion seconded by – Lloyd Droege
    3. Vote – All in favor
- III. Reviewed Bills and Payroll
  - A. Motion to approve Highway Dept bills, credit card and payrolls by – Dorothy Bowers
  - B. Motion seconded by – Lloyd Droege
  - C. Discussion: None
  - D. Vote – All in favor
- IV. Received Bids
  - A. None this month
- V. Business & Communications
  - A. Unfinished Business
    1. Project Status Report (see attached)
    2. Chana Rd/Flagg Rd Intersection: There was a delay in receiving quotes for the flashing beacons. All quotes have now been received and beacons should be ordered this week.
  - B. New Business
    1. I.A.C.E. Legislative Committee – The MFT increase went into effect on July 1<sup>st</sup>. The County Engineer distributed a flow chart that shows how the new funds will be distributed (see attached). It is estimated that local agencies will see an increase of roughly 67% in their monthly allotments. However, there are currently issues to be resolved regarding IDOT's

budget that was issued prior to the passage of the capital bill. IDOT cut \$30 Million of “discretionary” funds to local agencies in order to balance their budget. IACE has been told that IDOT is working on restoring the funding. However, if it is not restored the net increase for local agencies in Ogle County will be between 40% and 67%, with Ogle County at the 40% level.

2. Even though MFT was increased, the state legislators still have yet to address the funding shortfall with the Township Bridge Program (TBP). This funding mechanism was established at \$15 Million per year in the 1970’s to aid townships with bridge replacements. As of 2019, the funding level has remained unchanged. TBP funds are allowed to be used to cover up to 80% of the cost of a township structure, and we can currently replace approximately 1 bridge every 2 years at this funding level. Historically, Ogle County has utilized the TBP funds at the 80% level. However, given the recent increase in township MFT, the County Engineer is considering reducing this funding level to 50%, and asking townships to contribute a larger percentage to the project. This would allow for the TBP funds to aid more townships and replace structures on a timelier basis. The County Engineer asked the Committee members for their thoughts. Dorothy Bowers thought it would help the County as a whole by aiding more townships. Lyle Hopkins mentioned that it would be difficult for townships, but many are now in a better position given the MFT increase. The County Engineer will continue to look into the possibility.
3. Lloyd Droege asked if the increase in MFT will result in wage increases. The County Engineer stated that it will not for the day labor employees, since the highway department wage increases are controlled by the County Board. However, if there is more construction taking place across the state, the cost of outside labor and materials may increase. Also, we must pay contractors prevailing wage on our projects. These wages are established by the Department of Labor. The County Engineer does not know what changes, if any, may be coming.
4. 2020 Budget will be presented at the August meeting
5. Next Meeting – **Tuesday, August 13, 2019, @ 8:00 AM,**  
Ogle County Courthouse, Room 100

Lettings: None

VI. Public Comment

1. None

VII. Meeting adjourned at 8:57 A.M. by Chairman Hopkins.  
Minutes submitted by Jeremy A. Ciesiel, PE



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Project Status

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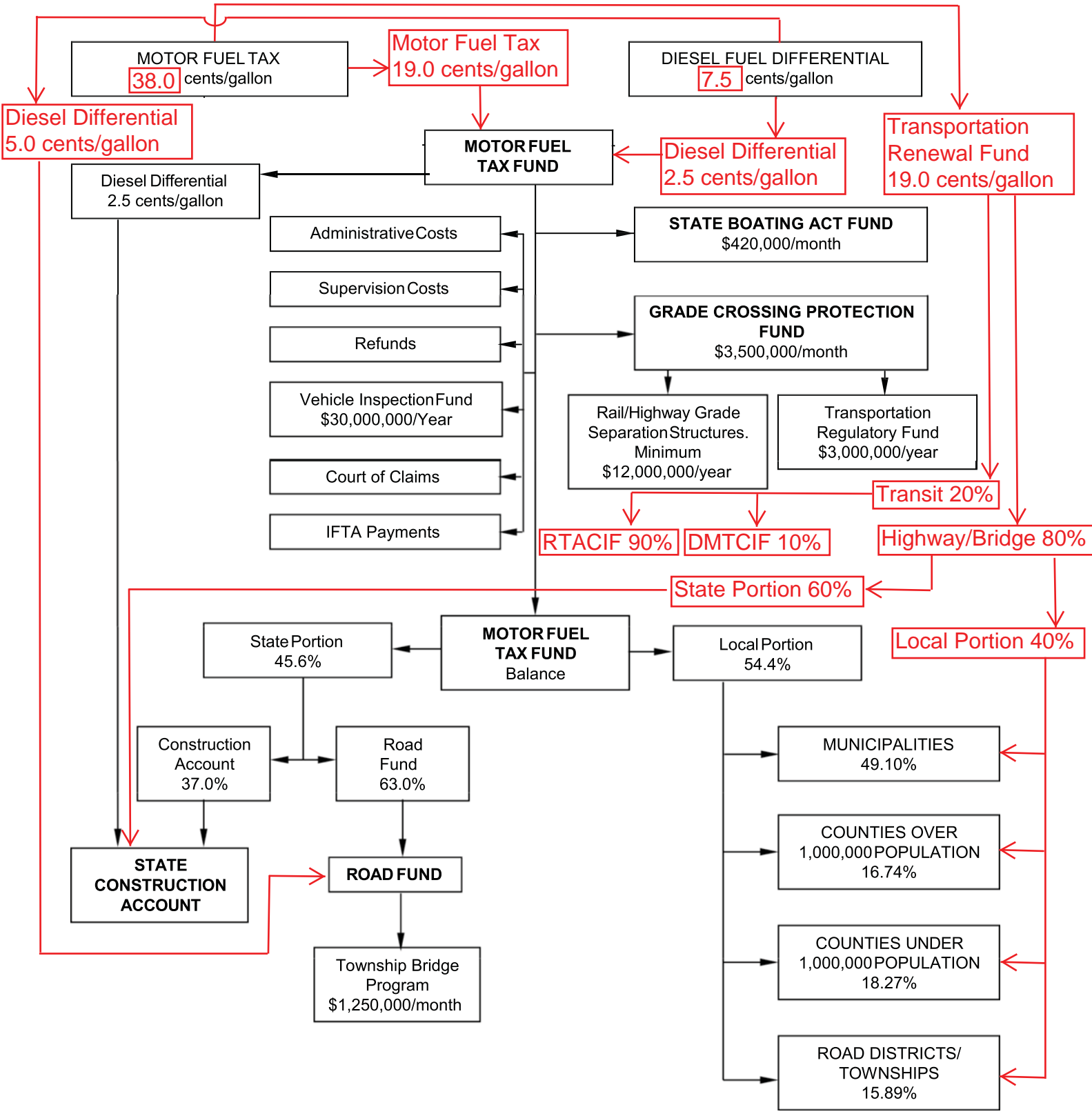
1. 2019 Structure Repairs – Various Roads (Section 19-00323-00-BR)
  - a. Contracts signed.
2. Brush Rd / Bluff Rd Bridge Replacement (Contractor: Martin & Company Excavating)
  - a. ComEd lines relocated. Culvert excavation complete. Sheet pile being driven.
  - b. Work completed: \$45,000. Remaining work: \$382,471
3. Montague Rd Gutter Relocations (Contractor: N-TRAK Group, LLC)
  - a. Project nearly complete. Working on punchlist
  - b. Work completed: ~178,000. Remaining work: ~\$12,000
4. Freeport Rd Overlay (Contractor: Martin & Company Excavating)
  - a. Paving is complete. Striping to occur the week of July 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. Work completed: ~\$595,000. Remaining work: ~\$34,000
5. Flagg Rd Microsurfacing (Contractor: A.C. Paving & Striping Co)
  - a. Work expected to take place in July.
  - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$179,818
6. County Seal Coat (Contractor: Civil Constructors, Inc.)
  - a. County seal coat is complete.
  - b. Work completed: ~\$410,000. Remaining work: ~\$0.
7. Township/Village Seal Coat (Contractors: Civil, Steffens 3D, Porter Bros & AC Paving)
  - a. Work is under way by 2 of the 4 contractors.
  - b. Work completed: \$236,410. Remaining work: \$838,317.
8. County Crack Sealing (Contractor: Complete Asphalt Service Company)
  - a. Project complete.
  - b. Work completed: \$110,970.60. Remaining work: \$0
9. Flagg Twp Paving (Section 19-06138-00-RS) (Contractor: Rock Roads Companies)
  - a. Expect work to take place after August.
  - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$323,759.
10. Rockvale Twp Paving (Section 19-21130-00-RS) (Contractor: Martin & Co)
  - a. Contracts executed. Work yet to be scheduled.
  - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$181,148.
11. Rockvale Twp Paving (Section 19-21000-00-GM) (Contractor: Martin & Co)
  - a. Contracts executed. Work yet to be scheduled.
  - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$255,958.
12. Oregon-Nashua Twp & Rockvale Twp & City of Oregon Paving of Daysville Rd (Contractor: Martin & Co)
  - a. Contracts executed. Work yet to be scheduled.
  - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$186,646
13. County Striping (Contractor: Countryman, Inc.)
  - a. Work to take place between August 5<sup>th</sup> and September 27<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$51,933

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14. Bridge Deck Sealing (Contractor: M&M Concrete, Inc.)
  - a. Project awarded. Work scheduled for early July.
  - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$19,510
15. Freeport Rd Pipe Culverts & Grading (Day Labor) – 2 culverts replaced. 1 scheduled.
16. County Patching (Day Labor)
17. City of Oregon (6<sup>th</sup> Street Resurfacing)
  - a. Project nearly complete. Some manhole work remaining.
  - b. Work completed: ~\$39,000. Remaining work: ~\$1,000
18. City of Oregon 5<sup>th</sup> St & Jefferson St Resurfacing, Sidewalk and Curb & Gutter
  - a. Working on design and specifications.
  - b. Split out 6<sup>th</sup> St and 7<sup>th</sup> St work for 2019 project. Remainder after jail project.
19. 2019/2020 Bridge Inspections
  - a. Inspections to take place Fall 2019.

**MFT Funds Source & Distribution Based on 2019 Law Change**

**DISTRIBUTION OF THE ILLINOIS MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND**



**RTACIF = Regional Transportation Authority Capital Improvement Fund**

**DMTCIF = Downstate Mass Transportation Capital Improvement Fund**

**Transportation Renewal Fund: Highway/Bridge portion fully described to be used for "highway maintenance, highway construction, bridge repair, congestion relief, and construction of aviation facilities"**