



Ogle County Highway Department
Road & Bridge Committee
September 2022 Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2022

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Hopkins at the Ogle County Courthouse, Room 100.
Members present: Stan Asp, Dorothy Bowers, Lloyd Droege, Rick Fritz, Bruce McKinney, Dave Williams and Lyle Hopkins.
Members absent: None
Others present: Jeremy Ciesiel (County Engineer)

- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Reviewed August 9, 2022 Road & Bridge Minutes.
 1. Motion to approve minutes by – Bowers
 2. Motion seconded by – McKinney
 3. Discussion: None
 4. Vote – All in favor

- III. Reviewed Bills and Payroll
 - A. Reviewed Bills and Payroll.
 1. Motion to approve Highway Dept bills and payrolls by – McKinney
 2. Motion seconded by – Williams
 3. Discussion: None
 4. Vote – All in favor
 - B. County Highway Department received an invoice from Protanic for a duplicate test it did not request. Test had been previously performed by a different company 4 months prior and the results were reported to the Illinois Fire Marshal's office.
 1. Motion to not pay invoice by – Bowers
 2. Motion seconded by – McKinney
 3. Discussion: None
 4. Vote – All in favor
 - C. Occasionally the highway department receives invoices and/or claims from utility companies for damage to their system. We often cannot confirm that the damage was performed by our personnel. The permits we now issue say that we will be held harmless for any damage caused to their equipment. Bowers stated that she feels we should pay the ones that we know we damaged that were under the old permit, but not the ones we didn't. Williams concurred. McKinney recommended speaking with the State's Attorney first. Consensus was for County Engineer to speak with State's Attorney before proceeding.

- IV. Received Bids
 - A. 2022-2023 Ice Abrasives
 - 1. Motion to award low bid subject to no protests being filed – Fritz
 - 2. Motion seconded by – Droege
 - 3. Discussion: None
 - 4. Vote – All in favor

- V. Petitions and Resolutions
 - A. 2022-2023 Ice Abrasives Award & Appropriation Resolution \$32,475.00 from the County Highway Fund.
 - 1. Motion to approve the resolution by – Bowers
 - 2. Motion seconded by – Williams
 - 3. Discussion: None
 - 4. Vote – All in favor
 - B. Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Safety Action Plan Grant Resolution
 - 1. Motion to approve resolution by – McKinney
 - 2. Motion seconded by – Asp
 - 3. Discussion: Any awarded grant funds would be used collectively to prepare the safety action plan.
 - 4. Vote – All in favor
 - C. Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement with Willett, Hofmann & Associates, Inc. for the Phase I and Phase II Preliminary Engineering for a box culvert on Eagle Point Road, Section 22-00345-00-BR.
 - 1. Motion to approve by – Fritz
 - 2. Motion seconded by – Bowers
 - 3. Discussion: Roadway overtops during heavy rains cutting off vehicles and emergency response. Culvert project would reduce the frequency of the overtopping.
 - 4. Vote – All in favor

- VI. Business & Communications
 - A. Unfinished Business
 - 1. Project Status Report (see attached).
 - 2. 2023 Budget Discussion: Illinois CMS released the bid prices from the 2022-2023 Rock Salt letting. Ogle County’s price is \$116.02 per ton which is 82% higher than last season. The County Engineer provided the budgets to the committee that were presented to the Finance Committee.
 - 3. Weld Park: Committee member Fritz asked about driveway maintenance within Weld Park. He stated that the gravel surface is getting rough. The County Engineer responded that in the past the highway department has used the gravel drive as a training ground for motor grader use, but is not currently training employees. It was decided to discuss potential maintenance with the Safety Committee.

 - B. New Business
 - 1. IACE Policy Committee Update: No update. Meeting later this month.
 - 2. IACE Legislative Committee: No update.

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3. Nicor Gas Pipeline Replacement: In 2023, Nicor is planning to replace the pipeline that runs across the northern part of the county from just south of German Valley to north of Stillman Valley. The County Engineer will be meeting with Nicor representatives shortly to discuss the project. The concensus was for the County Engineer to use his best judgement in regards to a Road Use Agreement for the project.
4. Road & Bridge Tour Discussion: Last year’s tour was held on October 5th. Given the current work load at the Highway Department, the County Engineer inquired if the committee was okay with holding a tour later in the year, such as the last week of October or early November. The Committee was in favor of a delayed tour. They were also in favor of reaching out to LOTS for transportation.
5. Highway Department Fuel Tanks: This fall the Highway Department will be conducting some repairs to a concrete slab and manhole over the underground fuel tanks. While this work will improve the existing conditions, it was noted that the existing single-walled steel tanks are over 30 years old. While the tanks are currently stable and performing well, their age coupled with upcoming changes in regulations, has us planning for the future. The Highway Department has begun to look into options for the replacement of the existing tanks and it is recommended that this take place in the next few years. The options we are looking into include replacing the underground storage tanks (UST) with a new UST, or going with an above ground tank. The County Engineer will prepare cost estimates for both options for discussion at a later date. Given the available space at the Highway Department, Chairman Hopkins was in favor of the above ground storage tanks.
6. Next Meeting – **Tuesday, October 11, 2022, @ 8:00 AM,**
Lettings: None

VII. Public Comment: None

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 A.M. by Chairman Hopkins.
Minutes submitted by Jeremy A. Ciesiel, PE



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1. Ridge Rd Culvert Replacement (Section 20-00324-00-BR) (Contr: Martin & Company)
 - a. Culverts are complete. Final shaping, landscaping and paving remains.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$421,000. Remaining work: \$36,500.
2. Pecatonica Rd Culvert Replacement (Section 20-00325-00-BR) (Contr: TBD)
 - a. Project will begin Tuesday, September 13th. Road will be around 2 months.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$391,408.
3. Lowell Park Rd Culvert Extensions (Section 21-00339-00-BR) (Contr: Martin & Co.)
 - a. Work yet to begin. Waiting on precast and rebar.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$56,000. Remaining work: \$349,787.
4. Mt. Morris Rd Overlay (Section 17-00318-00-RS) (Contr: Martin & Company)
 - a. Shoulder paving complete. Mainline paving should be complete by 8/9/22.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$663,000. Remaining work: \$0
5. Montague Rd Overlay (Section 18-00320-00-RS) (Contr: Martin & Company)
 - a. Project complete.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$353,656. Remaining work: \$0.
6. Sterling Rd Overlay (Section 21-00341-00-RS) (Contr. Helm Civil)
 - a. Project complete.
 - b. Work completed: \$425,314. Remaining work: \$0.
7. Baileyville Rd / Montague Rd Intersection Resurfacing (Section 20-00334-00-FP)
 - a. Project began on August 1, 2022. Intersection work still about a month away.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$20,500
8. County Seal Coat (Section 22-00000-02-GM) (Contr: Helm Civil)
 - a. Project complete.
 - b. Work completed: \$669,724. Remaining work: \$0.
9. Township/Village Seal Coat (Section 22-XX000-00-GM) (Contr: Helm Civil)
 - a. Project complete.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$2,545,115. Remaining work: \$0.
10. Lynnville Twp Paving – Moore Rd (Section 22-12128-00-FP) (Contr: Martin & Co.)
 - a. Project complete.
 - b. Work complete: \$36,007. Remaining work: \$0.
11. Rockvale Twp Paving–Half Mile Rd CIR (Section 22-21132-00-RS) (Contr: Helm Civil)
 - a. Cold-in-Place recycling complete. Paving will occur in a couple weeks.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$62,540. Remaining work: ~\$89,490
12. Oregon-Nashua Twp Paving in Daysville–(Section 21-26120-00-FP) (Contr: Martin&Co)
 - a. Widening is complete.
 - b. Work completed: \$65,172. Remaining work: \$276,513.
13. Township Microsurfacing–Skare Rd & Woodlawn Rd (Sections 22-XX000-01-GM)
 - a. Contractor: Struck & Irwin Paving. Scheduled to take place week of August 8th.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$157,826. Remaining work: \$0.

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14. County Striping (Contractor: America's Parking Remarketing)
 - a. Paint has been delivered. Work scheduled to begin August 29th.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$28,486. Remaining work: \$28,486
15. Crack Sealing (Day Labor)
16. Various County Pipe Culverts & Grading (Day Labor)
17. County Patching (Day Labor)
18. Sheriff Dept Retaining Wall
 - a. Project complete. May need to re-seed.
19. Old Jail Asbestos Abatement (Gold Piece Enterprises)
 - a. Abatement complete.
 - b. Work complete: \$19,995. Remaining work: \$0.

Total 2022 work under contract: \$6,696,519

Total 2022 contracted work completed: \$5,503,835 (82%)

Remaining 2022 contracted work: \$1,192,684 (18%)