



Ogle County Highway Department

Road & Bridge Committee

October 2023 Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2023

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Hopkins at the Ogle County Courthouse, Room 100.
Members present: Stan Asp, Rick Fritz, Austin Gillis, Skip Kenney, Ryan Reeverts, and Lyle Hopkins.
Members absent: Dave Williams
Others present: Jeremy Ciesiel (County Engineer)
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Reviewed September 12, 2023 Road & Bridge Minutes.
 1. Motion to approve minutes by –Kenney
 2. Motion seconded by – Fritz
 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 – Asp
 2. Motion seconded by – Gillis
 3. Discussion: None
 4. Vote – All in favor
- IV. Received Bids
 - A. None this month.
- V. Petitions and Resolutions
 - A. Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement with Chastain & Associates. for the Lake Mistake Drain Hydraulic Study.
 1. Motion to approve by – Kenney
 2. Motion seconded by – Fritz
 3. Discussion: Joint project between Ogle County and the City of Oregon to study the flooding of Lake Mistake near Pines Rd in the southwest portion of the City of Oregon. The study will produce a hydraulic model of the area and simulate mitigation projects for future consideration. The modelling will also be used to size a replacement culvert beneath Pines Rd. Kenney recommended looking at culverts in flood-prone areas around Rochelle. Study will be primarily funded through a grant from FEMA.
 4. Vote – All in favor

VI. Business & Communications

A. Unfinished Business

1. Project Status Report (see attached).
2. Employment Search Update:
 - a. Truck Driver – Highway Department has hired a new truck driver. Today is his first day.
 - b. Engineering Technician – Job fair next week at MIT. Will also contact other nearby schools, such as Kishwaukee College.
3. Rochelle Southwest Truck Loop: Kenney asked about the status of any transportation improvements southwest of Rochelle. The results of the Rochelle flood study and our joint engineering study with Rochelle & Lee County identified restrictions on what could be done in that area. These restrictions dramatically increased the cost of any transportation projects in the Center Rd & Brush Grove Rd areas. This combined with the shuttering of the intermodal facility put any transportation projects on indefinite hold.

B. New Business

1. IACE Policy Committee Update:
 - a. The FHWA has revised the requirements for information gathered during bridge inspections. These requirements will go into effect for our next round of inspections in 2025.
 - b. IDOT is working on requirements for the new legislatively approved Design-Build project delivery method for local highway projects. Historically, this process has been used on very complex and high dollar projects (>\$10 Million).
2. IACE Legislative Committee:
 - a. Veto session is coming up. No update on potential transportation legislation.
3. Next Meeting – **Monday, November 14, 2023, @ 8:00 AM,**
Lettings: None

VII. Public Comment: None

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 A.M. by Chairman Hopkins.
Minutes submitted by Jeremy A. Ciesiel, PE



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1. Lowell Park Rd Culvert Extensions (Section 21-00339-00-BR) (Contr: Martin & Co.)
 - a. Project complete. 2022 project carried into 2023.
 - b. Work completed: \$409,862. Remaining work: \$0.
2. Milledgeville Rd Bridge Replacement (Section 20-00326-00-BR) (Contr: Sjostrom)
 - a. Superstructure in place, deck formed and working on rebar placement.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$1,993,599. Remaining work: ~\$1,000,000
3. Leaf River Rd Bridge Replacement (Section 20-00327-00-BR) (Contr: Martin & Co.)
 - a. Deck beams in place and post tensioned. Currently working on concrete wearing surface prep and slope wall.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$1,164,874. Remaining work: ~\$464,143.
4. Lowell Park Rd Overlay (Section 20-00330-00-RS) (Contr: Helm Civil)
 - a. Project complete.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$906,000. Remaining work: ~\$0.
5. Eagle Point Rd Culvert Expansion (Section 22-00345-00-BR) (Contr: Martin & Co.)
 - a. Project mostly complete. Working on punch list items.
 - b. Work completed: \$338,148. Remaining work: \$0.
6. Stillman Rd Culvert Replacement (Section 22-00346-00-BR) (Contr: Martin & Co.)
 - a. Located utilities.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$109,397.
7. Center Rd & Bethel Rd Overlay (Section 23-00000-04-GM) (Contr: Rock Road Co.)
 - a. Project is complete.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$556,082. Remaining work: ~\$0.
8. County Seal Coat (Section 23-00000-02-GM) (Contr: Helm Civil)
 - a. County seal coat application is complete.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$582,961. Remaining work: ~\$0.
9. Township/Village Seal Coat (Section 23-XX000-00-GM) (Contr: Helm Civil)
 - a. Seal coat is complete.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$1,513,113. Remaining work: ~\$0.
10. Flagg Twp Paving – Westwood Sub. (Section 23-06143-00-RS) (Contr: Martin & Co)
 - a. Paving is complete.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$208,221. Remaining work: \$0
11. Marion Twp Paving – Wildwood Rd (Section 23-13116-00-RS) (Contr: Martin & Co)
 - a. Paving is complete. Finishing up earthwork.
 - b. Work completed: \$272,940. Remaining work: \$46,077
12. Rockvale Twp Paving – Mongan/Etnyre Sub (Sec 23-21000-00-GM) (Contr: Martin)
 - a. Paving is complete. Need to perform some earthwork.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$265,946. Remaining work: ~\$10,000.
13. Oregon-Nashua Twp Paving East Daysville–(Sec 22-26131-00-FP) (Contr: Martin & Co)
 - a. Earthwork and widening is complete. Paving to take place in October.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$76,000. Remaining work: \$221,835
14. County Striping (Contractor: Countryman, Inc.)
 - a. Project complete.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$56,000. Work remaining: \$0.

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15. Crack Sealing (Day Labor) – Crack sealing under way.
16. Various County Pipe Culverts & Grading (Day Labor)
17. County Patching (Day Labor)
18. Courthouse Parking Lot Expansion
 - a. Project complete.
 - b. Work completed: ~\$57,540. Remaining work: \$0

Total work under contract: \$10,252,738

Total contracted work completed: \$8,401,286 (82%)

Remaining contracted work: \$1,851,452 (18%)