

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
February 28, 2018

Chairman Tom Fraase called the meeting of the Road & Bridge Committee to order at 6:30 A.M. on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at the County Highway Department. The following committee members were present: Clyde Bunch, Craig Hall, Jeff Thomas, Brad Miller, and Lori Williams. Committee member David Mendenhall was absent and excused. Also present was County Board Member Todd Smith and County Engineer and minute recorder Brian Davis.

A motion made by Bunch, seconded by Thomas to approve the minutes of the January 31, 2018 meeting of the Road & Bridge Committee. Motion passed.

A motion made by Hall, seconded by Miller to approve the minutes of the January 31, 2018 executive session of the Road & Bridge Committee. Motion passed.

Motion made by Bunch, seconded by Williams to approve the payment vouchers and to have them signed by the members of the Road and Bridge Committee. Motion passed.

Resolutions:

- a. A resolution approving a preliminary engineering contract for pavement management projects was presented to the committee. Davis explained that Kuhn & Trello Consulting Engineers, L.L.C. was selected to prepare pavement preservation project plans for CH 23 – Spaulding Orchard Road and CH 31 – Williamsville Road. The plans would be for projects to be completed in the Fall 2018 or Spring 2019 and the contract would not exceed \$39,000. A motion was made by Williams, seconded by Bunch to recommend approval of the contract to the County Board. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. A resolution approving the purchase of a maintenance pickup truck was presented to the committee. Davis explained that this truck would replace a 2006 Dodge Dakota with 76,000 miles. The cost of the 2018 Ford F150 with options is \$21,730 and the estimated trade value of the 2006 Dodge Dakota is \$1,500. A motion was made by Bunch, seconded by Thomas to recommend approval to the County Board. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Approvals:

- a. An approval of pre-travel for Brian Davis to attend the Illinois Association of County Engineers spring meeting in Normal, IL was presented to the committee. Davis explained that the attendance at this meeting was helpful as a county engineer to stay up-to-date on the issues facing county engineers and to get an update from the Illinois Department of Transportation. A motion was made by Williams, seconded by Bunch to approve the travel. Motion passed.
- b. Approval for County Bridge Petition #413 – N. Carpenter Road in Mechanicsburg Road District was presented to the committee. Davis reported that this project was for a culvert replacement on North Carpenter Road and the estimated cost for the work is \$9,000. Davis added that this would be a 50/50 project with the road commissioner completing most of the work and then Sangamon County reimbursing 50% of the cost of labor, equipment and materials. A motion was made by Thomas and seconded by Miller to approve. Motion passed.

- c. Approval to hire 2 operators was presented to the committee. Davis explained that these would be internal promotions to replace operators that had left employment with the County in December and January. A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Hall to approve. Motion passed.
- d. Approval to hire 6 summer maintenance workers was presented to the committee.
- e. Approval to hire 3 seasonal maintainers was presented to the committee.
- f. Approval to hire one seasonal construction aide was presented to the committee. Davis explained that these were the typical summer/seasonal positions that the Highway Department seeks to fill and the positions are in the budget. A motion was made by Bunch, seconded by Williams to consolidate items d, e and f. Motion passed. A motion to approve was made by Hall and seconded by Williams. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

- a. None.

Discussion Items:

- a. Davis explained that the department was working on a Freight Rail Grant to be submitted to IDOT for aid in funding the Woodside Road/Iron Bridge grade separation projects.
- b. Davis also explained that the department was also working on a Highway Safety Improvement Grant. Davis indicated that he was alerting the committee that the grants were being reviewed but that the brief timetable for submission would allow for a full report to the committee at the March meeting.
- c. Next meeting date is scheduled for March 28, 2018.
- d. A motion was made to adjourn by Bunch, seconded by Williams. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:56 AM.