

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
January 30, 2019

Vice-Chairman David Mendenhall called the meeting of the Road & Bridge Committee to order at 6:30 A.M. on Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at the County Highway Department. The following committee members were present: Clyde Bunch, Craig Hall, Jeff Thomas, Lori Williams, and Brad Miller. Chairman Tom Fraase was absent and excused for the meeting. Also present was County Board Member Todd Smith, County Labor Attorney Justin Reichert and County Engineer and minute recorder Brian Davis.

A motion made by Bunch, seconded by Williams to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2018 meeting of the Road & Bridge Committee. Motion passed.

Motion made by Williams, seconded by Bunch to approve the FY 2018 payment vouchers and to have them signed by the members of the Road and Bridge Committee. Motion passed.

Davis presented a written report to the committee on the FY2019 expenditures for the past month for committee review.

Resolutions:

- a. A resolution accepting the low bids for the annual township aggregate supply contracts was recommended to be approved by Davis. Davis reported that there were 25 bid groups and all bids were within 10% of the engineer estimate and were awardable. Motion to approve was made by Bunch; seconded by Williams. Motion passed.
- b. A resolution approving the low bid for the countywide crack fill contract was presented by Davis. Davis explained this is the annual work completed as maintenance on the asphalt roadways and that it is time dependent. Davis informed the committee that Denler, Inc. of Joliet, Illinois was the apparent low bidder for the contract and that this same company has been awarded the City of Springfield work the past two years. Davis then introduced Justin Reichert to update the committee on the legal and administrative review of the low bid contractor based on the Sangamon County responsible bidder ordinance. Reichert informed the committee that a review of the contractor's training program would take place as well as a review of the execution of the contracts with the City of Springfield, including an allegation that has been raised about not following the prevailing wage act for the State of Illinois. A motion was made by Williams, seconded by Thomas to recommend approval to the county board pending administrative and legal review. Committee voted to approve lowest responsible bidder pending legal and administrative review regarding whether low bidder meets the County's responsible bidder ordinance definitions or qualifications for "responsible". This will likely be tabled at Board meeting to allow whatever time is necessary to review, make inquiries, etc. until we are comfortable that we have diligently protected the intent of our responsible bidder ordinance.

Committee Approvals:

- a. Davis presented the committee with the proposal of disposing of multiple assets including a 2006 Ford F-250, a 1987 John Deere Grader and a 1980 Cat Grader. Davis explained that the truck no longer passes inspection and needs to be eliminated from the fleet. Davis added that trade-in estimates were acquired for the two graders and there is a lack of operators with the ability to actually operate the graders. Davis added that the snow removal operations could be handled with wheel loader equipment. After committee

members expressed concern about having backup equipment and training operators for the equipment, Davis agreed to review the recommendation. A motion to table was made by Williams, seconded by Thomas. Motion passed.

- b. Davis presented pre-travel approvals for himself, Dave Johnson and Arlin Williams to attend the annual Transportation and Highway Engineers Conference at the University of Illinois February 25-27, 2019. Davis added that professional development hours for maintaining engineering licenses would be available for all three engineers. A motion to approve was made by Hall, seconded by Miller. Motion passed with Williams abstaining.
- c. Davis presented to the committee quotes from Clevenger Contractors, Inc. for the emergency repair of two separate guardrail damage locations on Rochester Road and South Williamsville Road. The quotes vary from \$3,200 to \$5,300. Miller again reminded the committee that County forces had done this type of work in the past. Davis explained that the upgraded end sections of the County system are not able to be repaired with our current equipment. Whenever County forces can repair tangent sections, Davis informed the committee that we still follow that practice. Also, the damages are passed to the insurance company of the driver causing the damage. A motion was made by Thomas and seconded by Williams to have County Engineer Brian Davis approve the quotes. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

- a. None

Discussion Items:

- a. A motion was made to adjourn by Bunch, seconded by Thomas. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:08 AM.