

Road and Bridge Committee
Highway Department, Roanoke, IL
Thursday May 3, 2018
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4:30 PM

1. **Roll Call** – Doug Huser (Chairman), John Krug, Duane Kingdon, Andy Rokey present. Randy Roethler arrived at 4:55. Also present are Conrad Moore (Acting County Engineer), Lindell Loy (Former County Engineer), Cheryl Wolfe, and Mr. Bob Cherveney.

2. Review and consider meeting minutes of regular meeting on April 5, 2018.

Motion to approve the April 5, 2018 minutes made by Rokey, seconded by Kingdon. *Motion passed.*

3. Review and consider minutes of past Executive Sessions.

Motion to approve April 5, 2018 Executive Session minutes and make public made by Kingdon, seconded by Rokey. *Motion passed.*

4. Public Input

Deb Breyman, Washburn, IL read a statement regarding an email she received from Mr. Roethler criticizing her minimizing the statements he made in the discussion of County Highway 13 and accusing her of having a political agenda. She stated that she has no political agenda and pointed out the minutes are to be a summary of the meeting, not a transcript. The email also reprimanded her for the deception he felt with the presentation of CH13 to the Board. Ms. Breyman pointed out that she just takes the minutes, she has nothing to do with how the projects are decided, completed or presented to the Board.

Mr. Robert Cherveney, 1001 N. Edwards, Roanoke, stated that Ms. Breyman's comment regarding the 20% TARP funds was a little off base. TARP in combination with other funds will cover 20% of the cost for CH 13. He also addressed the accusation made by Mr. Roethler that he deceived the committee. He went back and listened to the tape and the discussion from the May 4th 2017 meeting. The minutes that were written and the resolution that was made accurately reflect what is on the tape. With regard to them stacking the Board meeting, the people that attended the R&B committee meeting were encouraged to attend the Board meeting. There was no stacking and he wants to clear the air with Mr. Roethler.

Lindell Loy, former County Engineer, stated that there was no deception. If Mr. Roethler listens to the recording and reads the minutes he will see that the minutes and resolution accurately reflect the recordings.

John Krug, 1550 CR 300 E, El Paso handed out the Resolution from 2010 where the highway department was told to improve CH13. He also handed out the agenda and minutes from the May 4, 2017 meeting where Old Business (e) is "consider jurisdictional transfer of Front Street

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to IL 116 in Roanoke, and on page 3 of 6 of the minutes is the motion for this, which all members approved. Also provided is a letter from the Village of Roanoke asking the highway department to fix CH 13. It is a process to improve the road, and takes years.

Randy Roethler, 1317 N. Forrest Drive, Metamora, addressed the statements made by the others. He stated that the last minutes nullified his statements and were one sided. He does not have a problem with CH13, his problem is if we can afford it. Just because it was decided 8 years ago to do the project, doesn't mean we have the money now to do it. His initial belief was that we were not considering the Roanoke portion of this plan, only from Front Street to US 24. He believes that we were going to do an engineering study and then move forward for there once we found out what cost would be and he will challenge anyone on this point. We should not be doing a project because a few people want it. His concern is if we have the money, and informing the people. He spoke with the owner of the pizza place after the meeting in 2017, and the owner was not aware of anything that will happen with his property with regard to fixing CH13.

Mr. Cherveney addressed Mr. Roethler comments. There are rules and regulations that have to be followed. Where we are today is from years of work. The County has fixed other roads, at cost of millions of dollars, and they are not put on a ballot. You can't put every road that is fixed on a ballot. CH13 is the 2nd oldest road and needs to be modernized. With regard to eminent domain, we have that right but don't want to use it. If someone is holding out in selling their property in hopes of getting a higher price, that is not fair to the ones who sold their property at fair market value. He stated that they are trying to be above board, transparent, and involve the County.

Mr. Loy has spoken to the owners of the pizza place and they are aware of the plans. The estimated cost of the CH13 improvements were presented at the Open House in Roanoke.

Mr. Krug asked that they look at the letter from the Village of Roanoke. Berating and accusing people is not the proper conduct of a Board member and is unacceptable.

Mr. Roethler stated that he is being accused of berating, and that is not what happened. He is not pointing blame, just pointing out a sequence of events and where he sees issues.

Mr. Loy stated that he and Mr. Cherveney were accused by Mr. Roethler of deception and that is horrible.

Ms. Cheryl Wolfe stated that County Board minutes have to come from the County Clerk, not Ms. Breyman.

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5. Consider claims for the May 15, 2018 Board meeting.

Motion to approve the May 15, 2018 claims made by Rokey, seconded by Kingdon. There were questions about the claims for the master cylinder – it was on the Ford tractor and had to be replaced; the salt shed nuts and bolts will be painted to keep from rusting. There was a short discussion on sealing the concrete floor in the salt shed, but there would need to be little or no salt in the shed to accomplish this. The Ace Hardware claim for \$7.49 – it was asked that they try and combine small items so as not to have checks written for little amounts; the claim for Midwest Repair was for truck 18 from last month, it has just taken a month for the bill to reach us; expense of Nuke Gauge calibration – there is a base cost for calibration and a charge to ship through Federal Express. *Motion passed.*

6. Old Business

- (a) Consider Access Ordinance amendments from February 9, 2017, Public Hearing with Mailbox Policy.

We are still waiting to hear from State's Attorney Minger on this. The committee did not want to proceed forward until they had the State's Attorney input. CP&Z will present the Subdivision Ordinance at the County Board meeting this month. The two documents go together, and if there are changes to the Access Ordinance, it could change the Subdivision Ordinance as well. In the Subdivision Ordinance they took out the language regarding Tri-County, and Mr. Minger was not on board with the surveyor's certification. The reason for this being added into the Access Ordinance was so that the surveyor doesn't give the client an access that does not work. On paper the property plot and access looks fine, but may not be workable at the actual property and then a variance has to be given. Having the highway department go out and make sure the access is in the proper place is an added expense. At CP&Z a compromise was made that surveyor meets with the highway department before they draw up the plat. Zoning has been discussing the possibility of the highway department charging a fee to go out and check the access. Conrad will contact Mr. Minger in regard to added mailbox policy and push for an answer. A special meeting will be held before the Board meeting on the 15th of May to discuss and approve.

7. New Business

- (a) Discuss and act on Woodford County culvert bids, Section 18-00000-04-GM.

Motion to accept bid from Contech Engineered Solutions made by Rokey, seconded by Kingdon. *Motion passed.*

- (b) Discuss and act on Woodford County Snow Plow bids.

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They took bids for 1 and 2 snow plows. It was advertised in the Woodford County Journal and IDOT. They only had one bidder – Koenig Body and Equipment. This would be for a Wausau plow. They would trade 2 old plows and get 2 new plows and they would be interchangeable on the trucks. Motion to approve lowest bid for 2 plows and send to County Board made by Rokey, seconded by Kingdon. *Motion passed.*

(c) Discussion and Act on Woodford County Bituminous Cold Patch quotes.

They received two quotes for 60 ton of cold patch. Conrad would like to accept both quotes and use the one that is advantageous to where they are working. Motion to accept both bids and use the most advantageous one made by Kingdon, seconded by Rokey. *Motion passed.*

(d) Discussion and act on Woodford County Traffic Delineator quotes.

They have received notification from IDOT, and they will need to put a weight limit on the bridge on highway 7 and close the outer most 3 feet. They need a permanent solution to secure delineators. They received quotes from Midwest for \$1,934.52. The bridge was last inspected in 2016, and went from a 4 to a 3. We have money set aside to fix this bridge. They will post the weight restrictions on the road and the website. If we fix the beams on the bridge, it will probably buy us some time, remove the weight restrictions, and improve the bridge rating. The price for the delineators is within the highway department purchase price, so no action needs to be taken.

(e) Consider Road Use Agreement

Conrad has not heard back from the State's Attorney. The idea was to come up with a uniform agreement that all (windfarm, solar farm, etc.) had to abide by.

8. Other

Conrad presented a map of updated bridges posting. Palestine, Montgomery and a County Bridge have all been posted. They will be sending notification to schools, EMS, etc. of postings.

The contract for the uniforms with Aramark is due. There was discussion if we wanted to bid this every year or how often. It was unanimous that they could hold off and bid every other year.

They have received the rebate check for the ESDA building lights. They have the opportunity to change the lights in the highway building for \$425 which would give a 4 to 6 month saving return on investment with new lighting. The committee was unanimous in letting Conrad decide what to do with the lights.

All trucks have passed inspection.

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There are twirling things on the stop signs on Noffsinger Road and there was discussion on what it was for. Scott Weaver, the Road Commissioner, has them to get attention.

The summer help is starting next week. They have one veteran coming back.

A question arose if the municipalities have to post their minutes on the website.

A comment was made that Mr. Glenn Fischer did an excellent job with the road grader.

Mr. Huser met with Mr. Moore and Mr. Cherveney regarding the trucks. They want to go with the same specs that they have been using and are weighing other options – having the cab be a little bigger to accommodate more room between the seat and steering wheel; having tire chains that ride up under the truck; having a barn door-style gate that will swing to the side. They will look at the pricing of these options. We will get rid of truck 18 and 19 and replace with one truck.

Kudos to the maintenance crew, which are cleaning out the ditches.

The committee would like Mr. Moore to look into obtaining a hot oil trailer, when he has time. It would be an initial lay out of money but would save money in the long run to have our own that could be used when we need it.

Mr. Moore reported that so far the job has been going well. It was brought up that we need to advertise for an engineer. The committee would like to see more projects done in-house, so we don't have to pay others to do the work. Mr. Moore still has to take the test, and doesn't know how long the process will take.

We are spending money every month to fix the International truck 6. It is a single axle truck. They will put bids out for a new truck to replace Truck 6. There was discussion on how we might get a discount if we buy two trucks at once.

9. Executive Session

10. Action coming out of Executive Session.

11. Motion to Adjourn

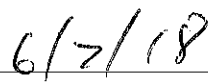
Motion to adjourn made by Kingdon, seconded by Rokey. *Motion passed.*

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Submitted by: Deb Breyman



Doug Huser, Chairman
Road & Bridge Committee



Date