

Minutes of the Transportation Committee

The Transportation Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 East Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Soeldner, Members Buchanan, Harris, Metsker, Martin Selzer and Murphy

Members Absent: None

Other Members Present: None

Staff Members Present: Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator, Ms. Hannah Eisner, Assistant County Administrator, Ms. Diana Hospelhorn, Recording Secretary

Department Heads Present: Mr. Jerry Stokes, Acting County Engineer, and Ms. Laura Dick. Director of SHOW BUS

Others Present:

Chairman Soeldner called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. The first item for action is approval of the minutes from the March 1, 2016 Transportation Committee Meeting.

Motion by Harris/Buchanan to recommend approval of the minutes of the March 1, 2016 Transportation Committee Meeting.
Motion carried.

Chairman Soeldner asked the Committee to review the bills and budget appropriation transfers for March 31, 2016. The prepaid total is \$224,679.09.

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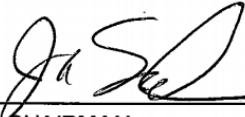
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EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Transportation Committee

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0006	SHOW BUS		\$143,565.59	\$143,565.59
0120	HIGHWAY		\$67,869.64	\$67,869.64
0121	BRIDGE MATCHING FUND		\$12,923.44	\$12,923.44
0123	MOTOR FUEL TAX		\$320.42	\$320.42
			\$224,679.09	\$224,679.09



COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Martin/Harris to recommend approval of the bills for March 31, 2016. The prepaid total is \$224,679.09.

Motion carried

Chairman Soeldner presented the first item for action, IDOT FY 2017 Combined Application for Section 5311 and Downstate Operating Assistance Downstate Public Transportation Operating Assistance Grant.

Mr. Jerry Stokes, Acting County Engineer, reported that SHOW BUS provides rural public transportation Monday through Friday with partial services on Saturdays to McLean, Livingston, Ford, DeWitt, Iroquois and Macon Counties. He added that on behalf of the counties, McLean County applies annually for Section 5311 Federal Transit funding from the Illinois Department of Transportation. The funds are then allocated to SHOW BUS to operate the program. He noted that Ms. Laura Dick, Director of SHOW BUS Public Transit, is present if the Committee has any questions. Mr. Stokes recommended approval of the IDOT FY 2017 Combined Application for Section 5311 and Downstate Operating Assistance Downstate Public Transportation Operating Assistance Grant.

Mr. Selzer asked if there were statistics showing the usage and number of different passengers using SHOW BUS. Ms. Laura Dick, director of SHOW BUS responded that the dispatching software can define the number of individuals using SHOW BUS. This is presented in the annual report on 5310 to IDOT.

Mr. Selzer stated that it would be beneficial to know the cost per people who benefit from the services of SHOW BUS. Ms. Dick will provide the information to the Committee.

Mr. Buchanan asked if the County received any compensation for acting on behalf of the other Counties. Ms. Dick responded that all expenses are charged to the Grant.

Ms. Harris asked the condition of the buses. Ms. Dick responded that SHOW BUS, after waiting for years, will finally get some of their new busses. She will be picking up 6 super medium duty buses today. Still owed to SHOW BUS are two mini vans and nine super medium duty buses. The total fleet count is 51 vehicles. A lot of these vehicles need to be retired.

Ms. Metsker asked if each County is required to hold meetings. Ms. Dick responded that she encourages each County to hold meetings. Regional Planning hosts meetings for all transportation advocates and providers in McLean County. Goals are set locally for review by HSTP.

Motion by Harris/Martin to recommend approval of the IDOT FY 2017 Combined Application for Section 5311 and Downstate Operating Assistance Downstate Public Transportation Operating Assistance Grant.
Motion carried.

Mr. Stokes recommended approval of the Purchase of Service Agreement between McLean County and SHOW BUS for the continuation of Rural Public Transportation Service in FY 2017.

Mr. Stokes advised that this agreement allows SHOW BUS to operate rural transportation in McLean County and surrounding Counties.

Mr. Selzer stated that it is important to do a better job in acknowledging local groups in the community who are more than willing to support transit in the rural areas by driving those in need. He added that we can no longer simply rely on State funding and should consider if there is a better way to deliver this service. Mr. Selzer does support the not for profit, SHOW BUS but we must start changing the way we look at things.

Ms. Dick reported that SHOW BUS began under the Mennonite Retirement Community from 1979 to 2009. SHOW BUS became too large of a liability for Mennonite Retirement Community and became free standing in 2009.

Motion by Selzer/Harris to recommend approval of the Purchase of Service Agreement between McLean County and SHOW BUS for the continuation of Rural Public Transportation Service in FY 2017.
Motion carried.

Chairman Soeldner presented the Resolution and Bid Tab for the February 23, 2016 Equipment Purchase Letting.

Mr. Stokes stated that Doyle Oil Co. of Ellsworth was the low bidder for the Woods BW1260X bat wing mowers. The bid included trading in six older mowers that were no longer used. The new mowers will be used to mow the roadside ditches this summer and fall. Mr. Stokes recommended approval of the following:

2 – 2016 Woods BW1260XHalf Bat Wing Mowers for \$27,568.00 and the trade in of all old mowers from:
Doyle Oil Co
109 N Main St PO Box 84
Ellsworth, IL 61737-0084

Motion by Harris/Metsker to recommend approval of the Resolution and Bid Tab for the February 23, 2016 Equipment Purchase Letting.
Motion carried.

Chairman Soeldner continued with the Resolution and Bid Tab for the March 28, 2016 Letting for the 2016 MFT General Maintenance Sections for McLean County and Danvers Road District.

Mr. Stokes stated that Sherwin Industries was the low bidder for Group 24, Crack Sealer. This material will be used by the maintenance crew for filling cracks on hot-mix asphalt roads during the summer of 2016. This process helps to extend the life of the roadways by reducing the amount of moisture getting into the pavement structure. He added that Danvers Road District requested bids for aggregate to be used on various maintenance items. The material is Freight on Board (F.O.B.) where the material is obtained directly from the supplier. All MFT maintenance materials are paid out of the Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

Ms. Harris asked if this is an economical degrading of road maintenance due to funding. Mr. Stokes responded that this is general maintenance to help reduce the moisture getting into the pavement. structure.

2016 MFT Maintenance Sections:

McLean County	Sec 16-00000-00-GM	GR 24	
The successful bidder on the above section was:			
Sherwin Industries, Inc.	\$0.38 per lbs.		\$34,200.00
2129 W Morgan Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53221			
Danvers RD	Sec 16-12000-00-GM	GR 4	
The successful bidder on the above section was:			
Miller Materials, Inc.	\$7.50 per ton		\$30,000.00
307 W First St PO Box 289, Mackinaw, IL 61755 – Staker			
Valley View Industries, Inc.	\$10.75 per ton		\$43,000.00
8785 E 2500 North Rd, Cornell, IL 61319 – Ifft			
Rowe Construction a Div of	\$11.00 per ton		\$44,000.00
United Contractors Midwest Inc. 1523 N cottage Ave PO Box 609 Bloomington, IL 61702-0609 Carmichael			
Stark Materials, Inc.	\$12.75 per ton		\$51,000.00
1805 w Washington St, Bloomington, IL 61701 - Becker			

Motion by Martin/Harris to recommend approval of the Resolution and Bid Tab for the March 28, 2016 Letting for the 2016 MFT General Maintenance Sections for McLean County and Danvers Road District.

Motion carried.

Chairman Soeldner presented the Section 15-00134-09-DR – Ellsworth Rd – CH 17 – Ellsworth Culvert Resolution.

Mr. Stokes reported that the original structure, an old concrete box culvert, located on CH 17, Ellsworth is showing structural issues and needs to be replaced. The new aluminum box culvert is 9' 7" x 4' 1" and is 54' long. This project will also replace the pedestrian bridge on the east side of the road. The cost of construction is estimated at \$55,000 funded 100% by the County Bridge Fund. Construction is scheduled for the summer of 2016. Work on this project will be done by the Highway Department. He advised that the project cost is \$55,000 and is scheduled for the summer of 2016. The project will be funded by the McLean County Bridge Fund. .

Motion by Metsker/Harris to recommend approval of the Section 15-00134-09-DR – Ellsworth Rd – CH 17 – Ellsworth Culvert Resolution.

Motion carried.

Chairman Soeldner continued with the Bridge Construction Petition – Dry Grove Road District – 2016 Dry Grove RD Non-MFT Joint Culvert #1.

Mr. Stokes noted that the culverts are located at the intersection of 900 East Road and Apollo Road. The pipe under Apollo Road is rusted and drains to the south into a drop box close to the road. The pipe underneath 900 East Road is a metal pipe that drains from the drop box and is also rusted. He added that the existing, proposed and estimated cost for the culverts are as follows:

Apollo Road	Existing:	21" Corrugated Metal Pipe
	Proposed:	24" Corrugated Metal Arch Pipe
900 East Road	Existing:	42" Corrugated Metal Pipe
	Proposed:	42" Corrugated metal Pipe
	Total Cost:	\$20,000

Dry Grove Road District is taxing above 0.125% in there Road and Bridge fund and this project costs are more that 0.02% of the EAV of the Road District.

Motion by Martin/Buchanan to recommend approval of the Bridge Construction Petition – Dry Grove Road District – 2016 Dry Grove RD Non-MFT Joint Culvert #1.

Motion carried

Chairman Soeldner presented the Bridge Construction Petition – Randolph Road District – 2016 Randolph RD Non-MFT Joint Culvert #1 – Section 15-27145-00-Br – Donovan Culvert.

Mr. Stokes advised that the culvert is located on 1700 East Road. In February 2015 an engineering agreement was approved to design the new concrete box culvert. The existing culvert is a 12'x 8' concrete box culvert that is very narrow causing a safety issue. The proposed concrete box culvert is a 12' x 9' and is 41' long. He noted that the project will use County Bridge Funds appropriated in the FY 2015 Budget. The total estimated cost for the design, construction and construction engineering is \$300,000. The cost will be split 50/50 between McLean County and Randolph Township. Randolph Road District is taxing above 0.125% in there Road and Bridge fund and this project costs are more that 0.02% of the EAV of the Road District.

Motion by Buchanan/Harris to recommend approval of the Bridge Construction Petition – Randolph Road District – 2016 Randolph RD Non-MFT Joint Culvert #1 – Section 15-27145-00-Br – Donovan Culvert.

Motion carried.

Chairman Soeldner continued with the Bridge Construction Petitions – Bloomington Road District:

1. 2016 Bloomington RD Joint Bridge Repair – Sec 16-05127-00-BR Braun Bridge
2. 2016 Bloomington RD Non-MFT Joint Culvert #1

Mr. Stokes reported that during a routine inspection of the Braun Bridge located on Capodice Road, extensive delamination was discovered in the upper portion of the deck. A soundness test determined that approximately 85 square yards, 2/3 of the deck needs repair. The total estimated cost of \$90,000 will be split 50/50 between the County and Bloomington Township. The project will use County Bridge Funds appropriated in the FY 2015 Budget.

Motion by Martin/Harris to recommend approval of the Bridge Construction Petitions – Bloomington Road District:

1. 2016 Bloomington RD Joint Bridge Repair – Sec 16-05127-00-BR Braun Bridge

Motion carried.

Mr. Stokes added that a culvert located on West Washington Street has a drainage problem and the existing culver size is inadequate. A proposed 36" culvert and some ditch work will be needed to improve the drainage. The total project will cost \$17,100. Bloomington Township is taxing above 0.125% in their Road and Bridge Fund and the project costs are more than 0.02% of the EAV of the Road District.

Motion by Buchanan/Harris to recommend approval
of the 2016 Bloomington Road District Non-MFT
Joint Culvert #1
Motion carried.

Chairman Soeldner continued with the items of information.

Mr. Stokes reported that due to rain and low temperatures work on Towanda Barnes Road has been delayed. He noted that progress has been made on the Bike Trail from Normal to Towanda. Signals are being worked on at Towanda and Shelborne. The bid on the Bike Trail project from Towanda north 2 ½ miles came in \$100,000 under the estimate. The Arteman Bridge project also came in \$100,000 under the estimate.

Mr. Wasson noted that we are experiencing some additional competition that we have not seen in the last couple of years. More contractors are bidding on projects.

Ms. Harris requested a copy of the print out of projects on hold due to the lack of funds. Mr. Stokes will email the information to the Committee.

Chairman Soeldner stated that the next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be held on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 in Room 400.

Chairman Soeldner asked if there was any other business to come before the Committee. Hearing none, he adjourned the April 5, 2016 Transportation Committee Meeting at 8:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Diana Hospelhorn
Recording Secretary