

Minutes of the Transportation Committee

The Transportation Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 East Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman William Caisley Members Randall Martin, Elizabeth Johnston, Gerald Thompson and Shayna Watchinski

Members Absent: Members Josh Barnett and Logan Smith

Other Members Present: None

Staff Members Present: Mr. William Wasson, County Administrator, Jessica Woods, First Assistant State's Attorney Civil Division, Mr. Eric Schmitt, Administrative Services Director; Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary

Department Heads Present: Mr. Jerry Stokes, County Engineer,

Others Present: Mr. Luke Hohulin, Assistant County Engineer

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Caisley. at 8:00 a.m. and he declared a quorum. He informed the Committee that Member Thompson had requested to attend remotely under County Board Rules and asked if there was any objection. Hearing no objection, he approved Mr. Thompson's request to attend remotely and declared him present.

Chairman Caisley presented the February 5, 2019 meeting minutes for review and approval. He noted that prior to the meeting he had requested changes be made and went over those change with the Committee.

Motion by Johnston/Watchinski to approve the February 5, 2019 regular meeting minutes as amended.

Motion Carried.

Chairman Caisley presented the bills for review and approval. Mr. Martin asked about the Communications bill under capitalized assets. Mr. Stokes indicated it was for the new GPS unit for surveying. Mr. Caisley noted purchase of additional salt. Mr. Stokes indicated he felt they had enough on hand now for the remainder of the winter. Mr. Caisley asked for clarification of the services provided by Hampton & Lenzi. Mr. Stokes indicated they are designing the bridge at Lake Bloomington. Mr. Caisley asked about services provided by Hanson Professional Engineers. Mr. Stokes indicated that was design work for job in Chenoa.

MCLEAN COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

AS OF 2/28/2019

EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Transportation Committee

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0006	SHOW BUS		\$514,591.76	\$514,591.76
0120	HIGHWAY		\$126,499.21	\$126,499.21
0121	BRIDGE MATCHING FUND		\$11,156.50	\$11,156.50
0123	MOTOR FUEL TAX		\$51,247.11	\$51,247.11
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			\$703,494.58	\$703,494.58


 COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Martin/Johnston to recommend payment of bills as submitted by the County Auditor in the amount of \$703,494.58.
 Motion carried.

Chairman Caisley confirmed no appearances by members of the public or employees.

Chairman Caisley presented for action items 1-4 requests to approve Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) FY 2020 Section 5311 Formula Application for Rural Areas Operating Assistance, Illinois State FY 2020 Downstate Operation Assistance Program (DOAP) Application for Rural & Urbanized Areas, approve Purchase of Service Agreement between McLean County and Show Bus for the continuation of Rural Public Transportation Service in FY 2020, and revised Vehicle Lease between McLean County and SHOW BUS. Ms. Johnston asked about adding fixed routes to incorporated areas to our legislative agenda. Ms. Laura Dick was invited forward and she discussed fixed routes, demand response, commuter or deviated routes, and indicated rural areas do not usually have fixed route, as there is not enough demand for a fixed route to meet the costs. She indicated that rural services tend to work better with the door-to-door services or commuter has been tried. Ms. Johnston asked her if we are able to meet the needs of the Community. Ms. Dick indicated there is never enough to cover all needs. She indicated that half of the individuals say buses do not stay long enough in urban area and others say buses stay too long. She indicated it is a balancing act between providing services for low-income individuals going to work and individuals with disabilities going to medical visits. Mr. Wasson recommended having a conversation about legislative efforts for funding commuter routes and request for additional funding for expanded services.

Motion by Martin/Watchinski to recommend approval of Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) FY 2020 Section 5311 Formula Application for Rural Areas Operating Assistance, Illinois State FY 2020 Downstate Operation Assistance Program (DOAP) Application for Rural & Urbanized Areas, approve Purchase of Service Agreement between McLean County and Show Bus for the continuation of Rural Public Transportation Service in FY 2020, and revised Vehicle Lease between McLean County and SHOW BUS

Motion Carried.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve a Resolution for February 27, 2019 Construction Letting involving Stringtown and Covell Roads. Mr. Caisley asked if this was one project or two. Mr. Stokes indicated it was two but low bidder on both was same so it is grouped as one project.

Motion by Martin/Johnston to recommend approval of Resolution for February 27, 2019 Construction Letting
Motion carried.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve Motor Fuel Tax Resolution, Gillum Road (CH 29) – Section 18-00074-03-RS for design work. Mr. Caisley asked if this would be a TARP route. Mr. Stokes indicated they have applied for TARP funds, so request is only for the design portion. Mr. Stokes went over location and use of the roads.

Motion by Johnston/Martin to recommend approval of Motor Fuel Tax Resolution, Gillum Road (CH 29) – Section 18-00074-03-RS.
Motion carried.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve Motor Fuel Tax Resolution, Old Colonial Road (CH 30) – Section 18-00036-02-RS. Mr. Caisley asked him to confirm process they would use on this project. Mr. Stokes indicated they would use a cold and place recycling. He explained the process and why it was determined to be a better choice for this project. Ms. Johnston asked if there is a cost savings. Mr. Stokes indicated there is a cost savings as the process uses existing road and not adding more to meet requirement for 80,000 pound.

Motion by Martin/Watchinski to recommend approval Motor Fuel Tax Resolution, Old Colonial Road (CH 30) – Section 18-00036-02-RS.
Motion Carried.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve a Resolution for Anticipation of Township Bridge Funds, Dale Road District, Section 10-11127-00-BR, Maitland Bridge. Mr. Stokes went over project.

Motion by Watchinski/Martin to recommend approval of Resolution for Anticipation of Township Bridge Funds, Dale Road District, Section 10-11127-00-BR, Maitland Bridge.
Motion Carried.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve an Engineering Services Agreement – Farnsworth Group, Inc., Corpe Bridge Repair – Section 19-20126-00-BR, Lawndale Township. Mr. Stokes showed the committee slides of the timber abutment and replacement of the abutment with sheet pile. He explained that currently water erodes under

the bridge which requires constant maintenance and the sheet pile will reduce this maintenance need. He stated that Farnsworth has done the design work for others in the County. Mr. Caisley asked if the pilings are welded at the top. Mr. Stokes indicated that they are cut off at the top, a reinforcement added to tie it to the bridge and concrete pored to hold into place.

Motion by Johnston/ Watchinski to recommend approval of Engineering Services Agreement – Farnsworth Group, Inc., Corpe Bridge Repair – Section 19-20126-00-BR, Lawndale Township
Motion Carried.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve a Bridge Construction Petition, Lawndale Road District, Section 19-20126-00-BR – Corpe Bridge Repair. Mr. Stokes indicate this project is a 50/50 split.

Motion by Watchinski/Johnston to recommend approval of a Bridge Construction Petition, Lawndale Road District, Section 19-20126-00-BR – Corpe Bridge Repair.
Motion Carried.

Chairman Caisley indicated there were no new hires at the Highway Department.

Mr. Stokes indicated that they had also included the quarterly storm water education report from the Ecology Action Center.

Chairman Caisley asked if there was anything else to come before the Committee; hearing nothing, he adjourned the meeting at 8:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Morlock

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