



Ogle County Highway Department
Road & Bridge Committee
Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2019

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Hopkins at the Ogle County Courthouse, Room 100.
Members present: Stan Asp, Dorothy Bowers, Lloyd Droege, Rick Fritz and Lyle Hopkins.
Others present: Jeremy Ciesiel, County Engineer

- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Reviewed May 14, 2019 Road & Bridge Minutes.
 1. Motion to approve minutes by – Dorothy Bowers
 2. Motion seconded by – Rick Fritz
 3. Vote – All in favor

- III. Reviewed Bills and Payroll
 - A. Motion to approve Highway Dept bills and payrolls by – Dorothy Bowers
 - B. Motion seconded by – Lloyd Droege
 - C. Vote – All in favor

- IV. Review & Award of Bids received June 7, 2019
 - A. Various Structure Repair Project – Group 1 (Section 19-00323-00-BR)
 1. Bids for Group 1 came in over the Engineer's Estimate, but there were 3 bids submitted and bidding was competitive. Project consists of repairs to 4 Ogle County structures and 1 Dement Township structure. For the safety of the travelling public and to extend the life of the structures, it is recommended by the County Engineer that the low bid be awarded.
 2. Motion to award low bid for Group 1, subject to no protests being filed by – Dorothy Bowers
 3. Motion Seconded by – Rick Fritz
 4. Vote – All in favor

 - B. Various Structure Repair Project – Group 2 (Section 19-00323-00-BR)
 1. All bids submitted were at least double the engineer's estimate. This may be due to high water, a missed estimate, or a combination. The repairs included in Group 2 primarily consisted of the cleaning and painting of steel piling beneath two structures. County Engineer recommends that the project be tabled and revisited when conditions

are more favorable.

2. Motion to award low bid for Group 2 by – Dorothy Bowers
3. Seconded by – Rick Fritz
4. Vote – 0-5, motion fails. No award made.

V. Petitions and Resolutions

- A. Award & Appropriation Resolution for Various Structure Repair Project – Group 1 (Section 19-00323-00-BR); \$180,000.00 from County Aid to Bridge Fund
 1. Motion to approve resolution by – Dorothy Bowers
 2. Motion seconded by – Lloyd Droege
 3. Discussion: None
 4. Vote – All in favor

VI. Business & Communications

- A. Unfinished Business
 1. Project Status Report (see attached)
- B. New Business
 1. I.A.C.E. Legislative Committee – Capital Bill has passed both houses and is waiting for Governor Pritzker’s signature. County Engineer distributed a summary prepared by the Transportation for Illinois Coalition (TFIC) that explained the increases in transportation fees & taxes (see attached). County Engineer explained that increases in motor fuel tax (MFT) will result in more funds being distributed to local agencies. However, although the MFT on gas is being doubled (\$0.19 to \$0.38), it does not appear that the distributions will be doubled. At this time the percentage increase to the locals is not known. If the increase goes into effect on July 1st, we will see an increase around mid-August when we receive our July MFT distribution. Also included in the Capital Bill are increases in Motor Vehicle Registrations and an incremental shift of sales tax from the state general fund to the state road fund. Funds raised in this manner are not distributed to local agencies by statute and locals will likely not see any increase in funding related to these changes.
 2. I.A.C.E. Policy Committee – Nothing new to report.
 3. Next Meeting – **Tuesday, July 9, 2019, @ 8:00 AM,**
Ogle County Courthouse, Room 100
Lettings: None

VII. Public Comment –

- 1) A question was asked regarding one of the bridges on Illinois Route 2 between Grand Detour & Oregon. Last year IDOT repaved this section of road and repaired the surface of all but one of the bridges. Why was the one bridge skipped? The County Engineer responded that Route 2 is maintained by IDOT, not Ogle County, but he did have some information on the subject. The omitted bridge was originally in the plans but it is believed it was removed due to biological survey results, likely endangered bats.
- 2) It was asked why the edgelines on Ridge Road were not striped after last year's paving. The County Engineer responded that the road is scheduled to receive edgeline striping this summer or fall during the county-wide striping program.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 A.M. by Chairman Hopkins.
Minutes submitted by Jeremy A. Ciesiel, PE



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1. 2019 Structure Repairs – Various Roads (Section 19-00323-00-BR)
 - a. Let on June 7, 2019.
2. Brush Rd / Bluff Rd Bridge Replacement (Contractor: Martin & Company Excavating)
 - a. ComEd lines being relocated. Culvert work to start the week of June 10th.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$427,471
3. Montague Rd Gutter Relocations (Contractor: N-TRAK Group, LLC)
 - a. All concrete has been placed. Grading and paving to happen shortly.
 - b. Work completed: ~140,000. Remaining work: \$51,469
4. Freeport Rd Overlay (Contractor: Martin & Company Excavating)
 - a. Work scheduled to begin mid-June.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$629,098
5. Flagg Rd Microsurfacing (Contractor: A.C. Paving & Striping Co)
 - a. Work expected to begin late June.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$179,818
6. County Seal Coat (Contractor: Civil Constructors, Inc.)
 - a. Work scheduled to begin in late June.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$410,791.
7. Township/Village Seal Coat (Contractors: Civil, Steffens 3D, Porter Bros & AC Paving)
 - a. Work likely to begin in late June.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$1,074,727.
8. County Crack Sealing (Contractor: Complete Asphalt Service Company)
 - a. Project complete.
 - b. Work completed: \$110,970.60. Remaining work: \$0
9. Flagg Twp Paving (Section 19-06138-00-RS) (Contractor: Rock Roads Companies)
 - a. Expect work to take place after August.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$323,759.
10. Rockvale Twp Paving (Section 19-21130-00-RS) (Contractor: Martin & Co)
 - a. Contracts executed. Work yet to be scheduled.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$181,148.
11. Rockvale Twp Paving (Section 19-21000-00-GM) (Contractor: Martin & Co)
 - a. Contracts executed. Work yet to be scheduled.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$255,958.
12. Oregon-Nashua Twp & Rockvale Twp & City of Oregon Paving of Daysville Rd (Contractor: Martin & Co)
 - a. Contracts executed. Work yet to be scheduled.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$186,646
13. County Striping (Contractor: Countryman, Inc.)
 - a. Work to take place between August 5th and September 27th.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$51,933

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14. Bridge Deck Sealing (Contractor: M&M Concrete, Inc.)
 - a. Project awarded. Work to be completed by August 2nd.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$19,510
15. Freeport Rd Pipe Culverts & Grading (Day Labor) – 2 culverts replaced. 1 scheduled.
16. County Patching (Day Labor)
17. City of Oregon (6th Street Resurfacing)
 - a. Jail team has completed the storm sewer work. Paving to be completed in June.
 - b. Work completed: \$0. Remaining work: \$39,157
18. City of Oregon 5th St & Jefferson St Resurfacing, Sidewalk and Curb & Gutter
 - a. Working on design and specifications.
 - b. Split out 6th St and 7th St work for 2019 project. Remainder after jail project.
19. 2019/2020 Bridge Inspections
 - a. Inspections to take place Fall 2019.

The Horizontal Capital Bill

The horizontal capital bill contains the following revenue enhancements:

1. Increases the Motor Fuel Tax by 19¢ and indexes it to inflation;
2. Incrementally repurposes the sales tax on motor fuel into the Road Fund (currently GRF);
3. Increases vehicle registration fees by \$50;
4. Increases the registration fee for electric vehicles to provide parity with gasoline vehicles and institutes a road usage fee;
5. Increases the registration fee for commercial vehicles by \$100; and
6. Increases the Diesel Differential by 5¢.

Additionally, the bill makes several related, substantive changes;

1. Creates the Transportation Renewal Fund;
2. Repeals the Commercial Distribution Fee;
3. Allows municipalities in Cook County to institute a 3¢ motor fuel tax;
4. Allows the counties of Will and Lake to institute a county motor fuel tax between 4¢ & 8¢;
5. Awards funding to the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP); and
6. Allows for the mailing of notices of parking violations to the registered address of vehicle owner.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

MOTOR FUEL TAX

The current rate is 19¢ per gallon and has been since 1990. The capital plan increases the rate by 19¢ (making it 38¢ per gallon) and causes the rate to increase with the CPI-U. If we had installed the index in 1990, the current rate would be 38¢. The additional revenue realized by this increase will be deposited into the Transportation Renewal Fund.

SALES TAX SWITCH

Beginning in Fiscal Year 2022, the 6.25% sales tax on motor fuel will be incrementally repurposed into the Road Fund (currently, GRF). Each year, from FY 22 to FY 26, 1% of the rate will be shifted. Beginning in FY 26, 5% of the tax revenue will be deposited into the Road Fund and the remaining 1.25% will continue to be distributed to local governments.

VEHICLE REGISTRATION

The current rate is \$98 per year, this plan increases it to \$148 (\$50 increase). \$1 of this will be diverted to the Secretary of State and the remaining \$49 will be deposited into the Road Fund.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE REGISTRATION

The current rate is \$35 for a two-year registration. This plan will provide parity with the gas vehicles and hybrids, requiring a \$148 annual registration fee. Additionally, they will be assessed a \$100 fee in lieu of paying motor fuel tax.

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Currently assessed at various rates based on weight. This plan increases all categories by \$100. \$1 will be diverted to the Secretary of State and the remaining \$99 will be deposited into the Road Fund.

DIESEL DIFFERENTIAL

In addition to the 19¢, purchasers of diesel fuel are charged an additional 2.5¢ fee. 2¢ of this fee is deposited into the State Construction Account Fund (SCAF) and the remaining 0.5¢ is deposited into the Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Fund. This bill increases the tax to 7.5¢ (a 5¢ increase), and all of the additional revenue will be deposited into the Road Fund.

TRANSPORTATION RENEWAL FUND

SB 1936 creates the Transportation Renewal Fund as a new fund in the state treasury. The purpose of this fund is to capture the revenue realized by the increase in MFT. The money in the fund will be distributed as follows:

- 80% will be dedicated to road and bridge maintenance and is further divided as follows:
 - 60% to the state which is deposited into SCAF; and
 - 40% to local roads, distributed in the same formula as the revenue in the MFT Fund; and
- 20% will be dedicated to mass transit which will be further divided as follows:
 - 90% to the RTA; and
 - 10% to the downstate transit systems.

COMMERCIAL DISTRIBUTION FEE

This is a fee assessed the cost of registration on commercial vehicles. The revenue from this fee is deposited into GRF. SB 1939 repeals this fee.

LOCAL MFT

This bill allows any municipality in Cook County to institute a local MFT of 3¢. Additionally, it allows Lake and Will Counties to institute an MFT that is 4¢ (minimum) – 8¢ (maximum) per gallon.

ITEP

This bill devotes \$50 million for pedestrian and bicycle facilities and conversion of abandoned railroad corridors to trails under the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program.