Ogle County Highway Department

Road & Bridge Committee

Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2009

I. Meeting called to order at 10:00 AM by Vice-Chairman Diehl.
Members present: Ben Diehl, Jim Barnes, Ron Colson, & Mel Messer
Meggon McKinley was also in attendance.

II. Received Bids
- A. No Bids received this month

III. Reviewed August 10, 2009 Minutes.
- A. Motion to approve minutes by – Mel Messer
- B. Motion seconded by – Jim Barnes
- C. Vote - All in Favor

IV. Reviewed Bills and Payroll. The this month's monthly department budget summaries
V. were not available due to the recent network failures.
- A. Motion to approve by – Mel Messer
- B. Motion seconded by – Ron Colson
- C. Vote - All in Favor

V. Petitions and Resolutions
- A. Resolution to request consent of IDOT for the Re-Appointment of the County Engineer and Re-Appointment of the County Engineer
  1. Motion to approve by – Mel Messer
  2. Motion seconded by – Jim Barnes
  3. Vote - All in Favor
- B. Resolution to designate Federal Aid Secondary routes in Flagg & Dement Townships.
  1. Motion to approve by – Ron Colson
  2. Motion seconded by – Mel Messer
  3. Vote - All in Favor

VI. Business & Communications
- A. Unfinished Business
  1. The Township Sealcoat program was completed the week of August 31.
  2. The Committee reviewed the layout plans for the proposed equipment storage building.
  3. The County Engineer discussed the results of the Eagle Point Road

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drainage study with the Committee. Summarizing the report: If there was no structure on Eagle Point or Brookville Roads and the waterway was left to flow on its' own, the water elevation of the 25, 50, and 100 year events would all be higher than the lowest floor elevation of the adjacent home. The County Engineer will continue to review the study for other drainage impacts on a nearby structure.

4. Next week, the FHWA Discretionary Stimulus TIGER grant application will be submitted for the Rochelle Southwest Truck Loop by the City of Rochelle, Lee County Highway Dept, and Ogle County Highway Dept. The grant will request 100% funding for the $37M project. Announcements of the selected projects will be made by February 17, 2010. This project would include improvements to Jack Dame, Center, Thorpe, Brush Grove, and Gurler Roads.
5. States Attorney Ben Roe has received additional information regarding the responsible bidder ordinance. The new information does not substantially change the provisions of the proposed ordinance.
6. The Engineering Technician's truck repairs have been made and it is back in service.
7. All Summer employees have left for the year. A couple completed projects from this Summer were the digital scanning of all right-of-way deeds and plats from the Courthouse and also the digital scanning of all County Highway construction drawings and plats.

B. New Business

1. I.A.C.E. Legislative Committee – Nothing new.
2. I.A.C.E. Revenue Fact Finding Committee – Nothing new.
3. Next Meeting – **Tuesday October 13, 2009, @ 10:00 AM**,

Lettings:	2009-10 Ice Abrasives
	Sale of used 1999 dump truck

4. **2009 Project Status Report:**

Flagg / 251 Intersection	-final paving began today. Complete Oct 5.
Steward Road Overpass	-35% complete, struct. steel set, pour deck Oct. 1, earthwork continues.
Oregon Fiber Optic job	-Complete
Guardrail spraying	-Complete
Weed & Brush Spraying	-Complete
Woodlawn Road paving	-Complete
Flagg Road paving	-Complete
Stillman Road paving	-Complete
Edson Rd bridge repairs	-Complete
Mud Creek Rd paving	-Complete
Dement Rd paving	-Complete

Bituminous patching	-Complete
Crackfilling	-Complete
Scott Road bridge	-Complete
Milledgeville Rd culvert	-Complete
Lowell Park Rd micro	-Striping to do
Striping contract	-Complete by Oct 1.
County Sealcoat	-Complete
Township sealcoat	-Complete
ROW mowing	-Complete
Brookville Rd culvert	-Complete
Brick Church Rd culvert	-this week
Quarry Rd culvert	-next week
Devils Backbone paving	-Complete
Kishwaukee Rd Guardrail	-to begin Oct 1
Rockvale paving	-not begun yet
Brooklyn paving	-Complete

5. The County Engineer discussed the January 1, 2010, upcoming increase in road weight limits with the Committee. Highway agencies still have the authority to post roads at less than newly passed 80,000#. The County Engineer is concerned with the life expectancy of roads constructed to 73,280# design and then taking 80,000# loads. The County Engineers of District 2 will be discussing the matter in depth at an upcoming September meeting.
6. Two employees will be attending a class on portable scales on Saturday, September 19.

VII. Public Comment
There was no public comment at this time.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M. by Vice-Chairman Diehl.

Minutes submitted by Curtis D. Cook, PE