

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, April 22, 2015
5:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Patty Cox
Kevin Greenfield
Kevin Meachum
John Jackson
Kevin Bird

COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT

Joe Moretti, Highway Department
Amanda Askew, Highway Department
Mark Funk, Highway Department

MEMBERS ABSENT

Phil Hogan
Pat Dawson

Jeannie Durham, County Board Office

The meeting was called to order by Chair Patty Cox at the Macon County Office Building.

MINUTES

Kevin Meachum made a motion to approve the March 25, 2015 meeting minutes, seconded by John Jackson, motion carried 5-0.

CLAIMS

Kevin Bird made a motion to accept the report of the claims as presented, seconded by Kevin Meachum and motion carried 5-0.

Public Comments

Ron Gillett, Enbridge Pipeline, addressed the committee explaining that he is the Public Affairs Consultant for major projects which includes the extension line that is about to start. He said he is also the Construction Liason and he wanted to introduce himself so members would have a name and a face. He handed out business cards with his name & cell number so if there are questions or concerns, they would know who to contact. He said he has met with the Engineer, Bruce Bird and given him the same information. Mr. Gillett said he works for the Director of the company so he has good access if something comes up that needs to be resolved and he is a good point of contact. He explained that he can get to the contractor because he attends their meetings in the morning as well as the Enbridge meetings where they go over what happened the day before. The project is planned to kick off soon. The first week of June will be orientation at Millikin University for the inspectors that will be overseeing the job. Construction should start mid-June. There is one contractor, but they will have two operations going on at the same time. The initial plan, at this time, is that one will start in DeWitt County and come towards Decatur and the other will start at Potoka in Marion County and come this way. Mr. Gillett encouraged anyone with questions to contact him as he handed out a fact sheet on the project. \$765 million in capital improvements is being invested in the State of Illinois with this project.

Old Business - None

New Business:

Chair Cox presented the resolutions because Engineer Bruce Bird was not able to attend the meeting. Joe Moretti was present to answer questions.

Macon County Board Resolution Awarding the 2015 MFT Road Oil Bid

Patty Cox explained that the bid is from the JTC Petroleum who was the lowest bidder @ \$197,841.

Motion made to forward to the Finance Committee with recommendation to approve by Kevin Greenfield, seconded by Kevin Meachum. Motion carried 5-0

Macon County Board Resolution Approving a Bridge Fund Petition from South Macon Township

Patty Cox explained that the location is at Walker Road and Riley Road and they hope to have this completed by November 30th.

Motion made to forward to the Finance Committee with recommendation to approve by Kevin Meachum, seconded by John Jackson. Kevin Greenfield asked if the County would be doing the work. Joe Moretti said no, he wasn't sure who would be doing it. Scott Wise, the Road Commissioner has been dealing with it and has done all the leg work on it. Motion carried 5-0

County Engineer's Report:

Joe Moretti reported that Schmitt Construction will be getting started on CH29 Bridge, which is a carryover from last year. They are still waiting on an exact schedule as they are finishing up some projects in other areas. Working days will start on that May 1st.

CH54, Wise Box Culver, is also Schmitt Construction. They do not have the date on when the box culvert would be built, but as soon as they do, they will contact Joe with a schedule. Working days will start on that on May 1st as well unless they turn in a letter requesting an extension because of the box not being built.

The Spacemark Project is a continuation from last year. Antler has been out there working, installing the culverts, and pouring the concrete head walls. Joe said he has talked with Otto Baum and they plan to get in as soon as the weather allows. Working days will start May 1st. They want to get in as soon as they can to get the concrete work done and try to get that project wrapped up. Kevin Meachum asked how Otto Baum was doing on the project. Joe said that they had wasted a lot at the end of last year by not getting in, but there were plenty of days on the job. They want to get in and get going and the amount of work they've got to do, they should be able to get in and get it done and not have an issue with working days. Kevin said they are notorious for lollygagging and he wanted to make sure that they are doing what they are supposed to. Joe assured him that he is doing the reports on that project and keeping the weekly reports current and making sure that they know exactly where we are on working days. Kevin said when you've got our money tied up, we're going to make sure they get it done.

Kossieck Road Bridge for Pleasant View Township is coming up. County contractors are doing that. There is not a start date yet, but it should be fairly soon as soon as the weather permits.

All of the document for the sign upgrade program contract has been sent to Effingham. They've done their review and sent it on to Springfield. They are waiting for that to come back before they let the contract for all the Townships in the County.

Mark Funk reported that they have been crack sealing out on CH28. They have fixed some culverts at field entrances that were damaged. They've also been patching roads.

Miscellaneous Business:

Chair Cox asked the members if anyone would have a problem with moving the meeting up to 5:15 rather than 5:30. Kevin Meachum said when he gets going with full blown construction, he'd rather it be at 5:30 because if he has to work overtime, it still gives him time to get to the meeting.

Closed Session: None needed

Adjourn:

The next Transportation Meeting will be Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

John Jackson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kevin Greenfield. Motion Carried 5-0 & meeting was adjourned @ 5:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jeannie Durham, Macon County Board Office