

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

**April 24, 2019**

**5:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Patty Cox, Chair  
Tim Dudley, Vice Chair  
Kevin Greenfield  
Phil Hogan

**COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT**

Bruce Bird, County Engineer  
  
Jeannie Durham, County Board Office

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Pat Dawson  
Rachel Joy  
Kevin Bird

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

**MINUTES**

Mr. Dudley made a motion to approve the 3/27/19 meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Hogan, and the motion carried 4-0.

**CLAIMS**

Mr. Dudley made a motion to accept the report of the claims as presented, seconded by Mr. Hogan and the motion carried 4-0.

**Public Comments** – None

**Old Business** - None

**New Business:**

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving a Funding Agreement with IDOT on CH 18 School Road Bridge Replacement Project***

Mr. Bird explained that this is the bridge that is about ¼ mile from Route 48 up by Cisco, almost out of the county. This is the last (paperworkwise) thing that has to be done to get this started. It is set for the June letting.

Mr. Dudley made a motion to forward the resolution on to the finance committee with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Hogan and the motion carried 4 - 0.

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving the 2019 and 2020 Weed Control Project***

Mr. Bird explained that a company is brought in to spray the guardrails, stockpiles and anything else where grass / weeds need to be killed along the side of the road. This is for 2 years.

Chair Cox asked if the department didn't have anybody on staff that is certified and could do this. Mr. Bird explained that from an insurance standpoint, it is a lot cheaper to do it this way. Whatever they use is very effective and they do an excellent job.

Mr. Dudley made a motion to forward the resolution on to the finance committee with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Hogan and the motion carried 4 - 0.

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving the Purchase of Right of Way from Timothy Rink, Susan Rink, and Jill Costello on the CH 18 School Road Bridge Replacement Project***

Mr. Bird explained that this is the same project up by Cisco. It is just \$500.

Mr. Hogan made a motion to forward the resolution on to the finance committee with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Dudley and the motion carried 4 - 0.

**County Engineer's Report:**

Mr. Bird reported that the guys have been out doing some prep work on replacing culverts and regrading the ditches on Lost Bridge Road south of Country Club. This is in preparation for a project that we are going to be letting May 14<sup>th</sup> for resurfacing. He said our guys are taking care of the drainage items before the paving contractor comes in and paves the whole thing from the intersection of Country Club and Maryland all the way out to 121. That will be a nice project.

May 7<sup>th</sup> is a letting with the joint project in Niantic. It is the road that leads into Niantic. Most of it is a county highway extension right now and the portion of it is county. It is going to be reconstructed, repaved and replaced leading up to the RR tracks and when it is all said and done, it will be a county highway.

The Contractor is set to move in on Wyckles Road to finish the clean up work, regrading, erosion control in some places, reseeding in places, etc... That should be taken care of soon. They asked for us to close the road again, but Mr. Bird said he told them there is no way that will happen and they'd have to do it with flaggers or something. After it has been opened, it isn't going to be closed back up again.

The Connector Road project contractors have been out there working for about a month. They are wanting to get done way before the July 15 deadline date. They are making great progress.

The work on the new intersection on 48 is basically done except for some asphalt work that has to be done. They are working on the connector pieces and putting in curb and gutter. Once the curb and gutter are in, concrete just has to be poured in between. After that, it is just final grading with dirt and it will be good to go. They are moving along really well.

This Friday is the letting for the bridge on the Dalton City Blacktop. So far, there have been 6 bidders that have picked up plans on IDOT's letting page and they are all large contractors. So, they will probably want to get in pretty quickly and get that done so they can get out of there. Mr. Bird said he is looking forward to Friday to see who gets that.

**Miscellaneous Business:**

Chair Cox asked about the Romer Brothers invoice. Mr. Bird explained that their certified payroll matches the labor rate. They have an outside firm that does their payroll and there is about a 2 to 3 week delay. So far, between that and the equipment costs and markups justify about \$60,000. He said they were unfamiliar with how to do it so Mr. Bird said he is working with them and when they get a final total they will let the committee know. There were about 100 trees that were taken out.

**Closed Session:** None needed

**Adjourn:**

Mr. Dudley made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Hogan, meeting was adjourned @ 5:38 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jeannie Durham, Macon County Board Office