

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Macon County Office Building  
141 S. Main Street, Room 514  
Decatur, IL 62523**

**June 24, 2020  
5:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kevin Greenfield  
Patty Cox, Chair

**COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT**

Bruce Bird, County Engineer  
Jeannie Durham, County Board Office

**MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Phil Hogan – Vice Chair  
Pat Dawson  
Marcy Rood

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Kevin Bird  
Rachel Joy

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Greenfield at the Macon County Office Building.

Ms. Cox entered the meeting @ 5:31 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Motion was made by Mr. Hogan to approve the 1/22/2020 minutes, seconded by Ms. Dawson and roll call vote showed the motion carried 5-0.

**CLAIMS**

Motion was made by Ms. Cox to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Mr. Greenfield, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 5-0.

**Public Comments -None**

**Old Business - None**

**New Business**

***Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for the 2020 Drainage Improvement Project***

Mr. Bird explained that all the resolutions tonight are to appropriate money for projects that are either currently being worked on or will be this summer.

Chairman Greenfield asked what this consists of. Mr. Bird explained that there are two spots where some drainage improvements are being done. There is some large culvert work, flattening some slopes on the side of a road making it a little safer. There are two spots on CH24. Kenney

Contractors was the low bidder for that work and they plan on getting started sometime in the next two weeks.

Motion was made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Ms. Dawson to forward the resolution on to the finance committee with recommendation to approve, and roll call vote showed that the motion carried 5-0.

***Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for the Turpin Road CIR Project***

Mr. Bird explained that this the south end of Turpin Road from CH30 to a little north of Harryland Road. It is very similar to what was done on Lost Bridge last summer. The base will be recycled in place 4” and then 3” of hot mix will be put on top of it. Bids were opened on Monday. Dunn Company was the low bidder and they want to get started, probably sometime in August.

Motion was made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Hogan to forward the resolution on to the finance committee with recommendation to approve, and roll call vote showed that the motion carried 5-0.

***Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for the 2020 Cape Seal Project***

Mr. Bird explained these bids were also opened on Monday. Cape seal will be done on the county highway that runs off of old 36 up through Harristown, the paved portion there. Also, the far east end of Mound Road. That is the portion that sticks out toward Farm Progress. The micro surfacing contractor was out of Peoria. He was the low bidder on that.

Motion was made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Hogan to forward the resolution on to the finance committee with recommendation to approve, and roll call vote showed that the motion carried 5-0.

***Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for a bridge replacement on Bearsdale Road in Maroa Township***

Mr. Bird explained that this bridge will be replaced using Township Bridge monies and then there is a portion between the Township & us that we have to split the match. This is to appropriate those match monies for that project. They should get to that this fall.

Motion was made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Greenfield to forward the resolution on to the finance committee with recommendation to approve, and roll call vote showed that the motion carried 5-0.

***Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for the CH 24 Reas Bridge Road Resurfacing Project***

Mr. Bird explained that this will extend from CH1 from Brush College back to the east where it will match up to the, basically, the end of the project for the bridge replacement when we go across the lake. Then we will have that portion all the way done. Whenever we get around to doing the bridges, we will have probably 2/3 of that whole stretch that is paved and done. This is just to get the portion there by the college taken care of. It has also been widened in some spots

because of some edge stress over the last couple of years. This is also going to widen the entire thing so it will be a paved shoulder involved with this. This is to handle that work and will be done this fall.

Motion was made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Greenfield to forward the resolution on to the finance committee with recommendation to approve, and roll call vote showed that the motion carried 5-0.

***Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for the CH 27 Damery Road Bridge Replacement Project***

Mr. Bird explained that this was on the IDOT June Letting. This is actually replacing two bridges with one bridge. This resolution is to cover the match money that goes against the federal dollars that are going to pay for that replacement. The contractor should start sometime after August 1<sup>st</sup> and they should have the bridge done before the end of the year.

Chairman Greenfield asked what the total cost for that project would be. Mr. Bird said it was about \$640,000 was the low bid.

Motion was made by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Greenfield to forward the resolution on to the finance committee with recommendation to approve, and roll call vote showed that the motion carried 5-0.

**County Engineer's Report:**

Mr. Bruce Bird reported that the guys have made the first round of mowing. In many places, they could only mow the front slope because it was so wet at the time. They had to make sure they got the full round.

They are currently getting everything ready for the chip seal work. They plan to do that the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in July. Some patching on the roads and things like that are being done now.

The only thing left to do out there on the bridge on School Road, CH18 up close to the Cisco interchange with I72 is to put the chip seal surface on. Dunn Company should be in next week to do that. When they do that, we'll be able to open it up.

The work on the bridge on the county line north of Argenta will start shortly.

The 85<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge pre-pour meeting is set for tomorrow, which means, next week they are looking at pouring the bridge deck for that bridge. That thing is moving along very nicely. It is still very hopeful that that thing can be done by October 1<sup>st</sup>. Chairman Greenfield asked if any more dirt had been hauled in. Mr. Bird said they've been hauling dirt in, hauling some muck out and good dirt in. They wanted to get some of the basic ditch work cut in so they could put in some of the temporary roads and then they are going to go to town. That is looking in good shape and like all the other ones that have had resolutions passed on, those are all projects that will be worked on this year.

It's another busy year for the department.

Ms. Rood asked if they could get a list of shovel ready projects from the County Engineer in anticipation of funding that might come from bills being reviewed right now by the Senate and the House so we can be prepared to go after funding for projects.

Mr. Bird explained that he has a 5 year plan. There are several projects in it, that at any given time, we could snag and put stuff together and bring it up. Usually, if you're talking shovel ready, typically, it is resurfacing or roadway project because those are easy and quick to put together. Kind of a shovel ready project we have is the \$16 million replace two bridges across the lake project. That one is ready to go anytime somebody might give us about \$4 million. We've got them out there and Mr. Bird said he would send out a copy of the 5 year plan to the members of the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jeannie Durham, Macon County Board Office