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DeKalb County Government
Sycamore, Illinois

**Highway Committee Minutes
October 2, 2014**

A meeting of the Highway Committee of the DeKalb County Board was held on Thursday, October 2, 2014 at 6:00pm in the Conference Room of the DeKalb County Highway Department, DeKalb, Illinois.

Chairman Gudmunson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Committee members present were Mr. Deverell, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O'Barski and Vice Chairman Pietrowski. County Engineer, Nathan Schwartz, Support Services Manager, Wayne Davey, Operations Manager, James Quinn and Ms. Sue Willis, County resident, were also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Vice Chair Pietrowski and seconded by Mr. Deverell to approve the minutes of the regular September 4, 2014 meeting and the special September 23, 2014 meeting. The motion to approve both sets of minutes passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mr. Johnson moved and Mr. O'Barski seconded a motion to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

BUDGET APPEALS: Mr. Schwartz informed the Committee that the Highway Department received no appeals affecting our 2015 budget submission. Committee members commented that they felt the additional information provided by the County Engineer and informing the Committee at each step of the process was a key factor in receiving no appeals.

MFT RESOLUTION #2014-55: EAST COUNTY LINE ROAD RESURFACE PROJECT

Mr. Schwartz explained to the Committee that East County Line Road is progressing and the County would be utilizing MFT funds to pay for part of this project. In order for MFT fund to be used the County Board must pass a resolution appropriating the amount

to be spent. This resolution satisfies that requirement. Mr. Schwartz recommended the Committee recommend approval. **Motion made by Mr. Jones and seconded by Vice Chair Pietrowski to forward this resolution to the full County Board recommending approval. Motion passed unanimously.**

CHAIR'S COMMENTS: Chairman Gudmunson stated he had nothing to present at this time.

COUNTY ENGINEER'S COMMENTS: Mr. Schwartz presented the transportation improvement progress report for September.

East County Line Road stands at 75% complete for the resurfacing and intersection improvements. Only work remaining on this project deals with the State's portion of the intersection with IL Route 64.

Five Points Road Bridge is 50% complete. The piling for the north abutment is in place and work is proceeding with forming the abutment. Work is progressing slowly. Weekly meetings are still being held between the County, IDOT and the Contractor to ensure work continues toward a satisfactory completion.

Keslinger Road Bridge is 4% complete. Removal of the old structure is currently underway.

Peace Road project is 70% complete, works continues on laying the surface course.

Perry Road Bridge is at 75% complete. Bridgerail, guardrail and approach work remains.

Somonauk Road widening at the Landfill is getting ready to begin. This project will move the entrance farther to the south and construct a left turn lane for southbound traffic.

West County Line Road Bridge stands at 25% complete. The bottom slab has been poured, with the walls scheduled to be poured next week and the deck the week after that.

Mr. Schwartz reminded the Committee of the fall veto session being held November 19th, 20th and 21st and December 2nd, 3rd and 4th this year. At this time there are no updates to brief the Committee on.

The County received our Compliance Review Report for County MFT, Township MFT and Township Bridge Programs from IDOT. Mr. Schwartz shared copies of the reports with the Committee. The report appears to be favorable and indicates the County is in compliance with State regulations for these programs.

The County also underwent an MS4 audit by the Illinois EPA for the first time since becoming a MS4 County. We will receive an Official Report at a later date but comments received during the audit indicated the County is adequately performing these duties. Recommendations for improvement will be forthcoming.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Gudmunson asked if there was any additional items that needed to be presented tonight and hearing none asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Vice Chair Pietrowski and seconded by Mr. O'Barski and the motion passed unanimously. The October 2, 2014 meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Gudmunson
Chairman