

**LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
HIGHWAY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF JANUARY 7, 2016 MEETING**

Committee Vice Chair Runyon called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm at the Livingston County Highway Department

Present: Runyon, Carley, Peterson, Weller, Young
Absent: Holt, Weber
Other Board Members Present:
Others Present: Metcalf, Hartley

Motion to approve the agenda as amended by Weller, second by Carley. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Motion by Peterson, second by Carley to approve the minutes of the December 10th, 2015 meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

COUNTY BOARD ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Agreement: Farnsworth Group, Pontiac, IL – Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement for replacement of S.N. 053-3100 over Gooseberry Creek, (3100N, 2610E) Dwight Road District, Section 14-07102-03-BR. Cost for basic services not to exceed \$53,300.00 except that ROW, environmental coordination, and any necessary land surveying at schedule of chargeable rates. TBP Program FY 17.
- b. Bridge Petition: Broughton Road District, Install Scour Countermeasures under Structure Number 053-3171, 2600N, 3450E, Section 16-04000-00-AB. Estimated Cost = \$2,500.00
- c. Supplemental Resolution: Appropriating an additional \$165,000 from County Matching Tax for the County's share of Resurfacing CH 3 from CH 1 (Campus) south approximately 10 miles to IL Rt. 116 (1700N), Sect. No. 08-00144-04-RS.

Motion by Weller, second by Peterson to recommend full board approval of the county board action items. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BUILDING ADDITION - GRANT UPDATE – EMERGENCY

REPAIR UPDATE: No new information with the status of the Grant. Metcalf shared with the committee that construction by J. Spencer Construction has steadily continued and that the wall between the restrooms was reconstructed as well as the installation of new door frames, drywall, mud and tape, painting, lighting, floor tile and new plumbing fixtures. Remaining work consists of new ceiling tile, doors and other miscellaneous items.

ASSISTANT COUNTY ENGINEER POSITION: The committee instructed Metcalf to work with HR and have the position re-advertised by the middle of January with an application deadline being near the end of February.

OTHER ITEMS:

- Backhoe Purchase – Metcalf was instructed to move forward with the letting process for a new backhoe as was planned and budgeted for in FY 2015 but then postponed until Motor Fuel Tax distributions resumed.
- After recent power outages, a backup generator was discussed for the maintenance garage. This will give the ability to open the large overhead doors and get the necessary vehicles/equipment out and on the roads. Metcalf was instructed to investigate the size and type of generator that would take of this need.

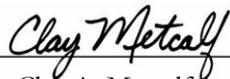
- Hydraulic calculations for a new structure have been received for the structure that failed in June of 2015 in Broughton Road District. A single span bridge has been selected and added to the Township Bridge Program for FY 17 or FY 18.
- After a follow-up inspection by IDOT, they have required closure of structure number 046-3273 located ½ mile south of Reddick on 3600E (Kankakee Co. Line). They have also required a 22 Ton posting of structure number 046-3254 located directly south of the closed bridge on 3600E. Both requirements are a result of deteriorated timber piles compromising the substructure capacity. County Line structures greater than twenty-five square feet of opening become the responsibility of the counties versus road districts. Discussions with Kankakee County have begun and it is preferred that both bridges be rehabilitated instead of replaced. Repair plans are being prepared by IDOT.
- Emington Paving – The Mayor of Emington has asked if a decision was reached by the Highway Committee about paving from Division Street (CH 23) easterly along Main Street to the elevator. The committee instructed Hartley to inform him in writing that they did not want to set a precedent of doing work to roads that belong to another jurisdiction. So at this time, no county highway funds are being committed to re-pave Main Street.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Melvin Frobish addressed the committee about a drainage problem that is located on a township road located in Long Point Township at 2200N, 415E. He explained how the existing 30” across road culvert is holding water back in the property that he farms. He went further to point out the sizes of several structures located upstream of this crossing and the amount of damage that is done to the roadway and fields during flooding conditions. This situation has existed for years and he hasn’t been able to get satisfaction from the Long Point Highway Commissioner. He would like to the committee to put some pressure on the highway commissioner to replace the existing culvert with a much larger structure. Metcalf said he would contact the highway commissioner and ask if the highway department could do a drainage study for this location as time allows. Funding for this project could be split between the County and Long Point Road District, but only if the highway commissioner petitions the County for aid and the board approves it.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Motion by Peterson, second by Carley to approve the bills.
MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

There being no further business to come before the committee, motion to adjourn the meeting by Carley, second by Peterson. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.



Clay A. Metcalf
County Engineer