

**LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7, 2019 MEETING**

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

Present: Lovell, Runyon, Arbogast, Earing, Kirkton, Weller  
Absent: Carley  
Other Board Members Present: Young, Ambrose  
Others Present: Metcalf

Motion to approve the agenda by Earing, second by Kirkton. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Motion by Earing, second by Runyon to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2019 meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

**COUNTY BOARD ACTION ITEMS:**

- a. Letting Results: February 5, 2019 Letting
- b. Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation: Federal-Aid Agreement for replacement of Structure No. 053-3216 in Esmen Road District. Includes Resolution appropriating County Aid to Bridge Funds for Local Agency share of cost.
- c. Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation: Federal-Aid Agreement for replacement of Structure No. 053-3230 in Esmen Road District. Includes Resolution appropriating County Aid to Bridge Funds for Local Agency share of cost.
- d. Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation: Federal-Aid Agreement for resurfacing CH 16 (Ancona Road, 300E) between Long Point Spur (2640N) IL Rt. 17 (3000N), Sect. No. 12-00062-02-RS. Includes Resolution appropriating County Matching Tax funds for Local Agency share of cost.
- e. Bridge Petition: Union Road District – SN 053-3179 (2500N, 2890E), \$325,000 – Replacement
- f. Engineering Agreement: Union Road District – SN 053-3179, Hampton Lenzini & Renwick (HLR)

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

**OTHER ITEMS:** Weller was asked by Neil Turner of Campus if the county had ever considered employing two shifts for snow removal during the winter months. Metcalf explained that this had never been considered with only 6 full time and 2 part-time employees to drive the 8 snow plow trucks we currently have available. Finding part-time help to drive in extreme winter conditions has become more difficult over the years. We currently stay out from 5 am to 9 pm and typically have to go back out the next day at 5 am. Earing asked if satellite locations had ever been considered. While there may be some savings in the travel time to get to those outer snow removal routes, there would be a substantial cost to build and maintain a facility to store the trucks, salt and equipment to load the salt. It would also take 3 or 4 satellite locations to adequately cover the municipalities throughout the county. The time it takes to complete a “round” for each of the snow plow routes is approximately 4 hours during an average snowfall event due to the size of our county and length of each route. A major increase in funding would be the only way to make the suggested revisions to the current winter operations policy. Runyon stated that he had not heard any complaints regarding snow removal in the Fairbury area.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:** Motion by Earing, second by Kirkton 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 Arbogast, second by Weller. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.



Clay A. Metcalf,  
County Engineer