



Effingham County Board
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December 12, 2023 7:30 AM.
Road and Bridge Committee Meeting
MINUTES

Committee Members Present: Norbert Soltwedel, Doug McCain, Tim Ellis,

Committee Member Absent:

Others Present: Becky Hoopingarner, Dave Bushue, and Greg Koester

Minutes

- N. Soltwedel moved/ T. Ellis seconded to approve November 14, 2023 minutes. Unanimous. *Motion carried.*

Reviewed and Signed Claims

Old Business

1. Update on ARPA Funds for Township Drainage Structures – In recent weeks, two large concrete box culverts were placed in Liberty Township and Mound Township. Next week install another Mound Twp. Township spent about half earmarked funds.
2. Sell 2012 New Holland Tractor – Two townships expressed interest in the tractor with a minimum bid of \$17,500.00. No action needed because committee took action last month.
3. Upgrading Rock Stockpile Location near Mason – Mason Township meeting tonight to discuss County sharing a portion of their property.
4. Job Openings for Highway Maintainer and Assistant County Engineer – Will post openings after the holidays.

New Business

1. Present IDOT Compliance Review Audits for County MFT, Township MFT, and Township Bridge Program funds at the next county board meeting – N. Soltwedel moved /T. Ellis seconded to present to next board meeting, unanimous
2. Authorize Purchase of New Tandem Dump Truck – Committee reviewed the bids received December 5th. T. Ellis motioned and N. Soltwedel seconded to purchase the Truck cab/chassis from Rush Truck Centers for \$116,335.88 and the dump body/equipment from Knapheide for \$75,800.00, unanimous. Completing bid specifications and speaking to dealers. Truck purchase would be our large equipment expenditure for 2024, accounting for approximately \$200,000 of the \$275,000 equipment budget.
3. Local public Agency Agreement Amendment for Airport Road Reconstruction (Section 21-00100-PV) – Need an amendment to account for more funding received since bids came in higher than estimated. N. Soltwedel motioned and T. Ellis seconded to recommend broad approval, unanimous.
4. Gas Line Relocation Agreement with Ameren – Ameren will relocate gas line needed for drainage ditch construction, ahead of the Airport Road improvement project. Cost estimate is approximately \$7,000. Don't believe this requires board action but N. Soltwedel motioned and T. Ellis seconded to recommend broad approval (if necessary), unanimous.
5. Resolution to Approve Lowest Responsible Bidders for Motor Fuel Tax Rock – Sealed bids will be opened December 13, 2023. T. Ellis moved and N Soltwedel seconded to recommend board approval of the lowest responsible bidders at the next board meeting, unanimous.
6. Motor Fuel Tax 2024 Appropriation Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code – T. Ellis motioned and N. Soltwedel seconded to recommend board approval, unanimous.
7. Resolution Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the 2024 County Engineer Salary – Utilizing MFT and federal funds for county engineer salary – N. Soltwedel motioned and T. Ellis seconded to recommend board approval, unanimous.
8. 2024 Road & Bridge Meeting Schedule – Handed out new meeting schedule. T. Ellis motioned and N. Soltwedel seconded to recommend board approval, unanimous.
9. Status of Maintenance – Mowing finished and working on drainage projects given dry weather.

General Information/Public Comments -

Adjournment – N. Soltwedel moved/ T. Ellis seconded to adjourn, unanimous.