



Effingham County Board
101 N. 4th Street, Suite 301, Effingham, IL
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March 11, 2025 7:30 PM.
Road and Bridge Committee Meeting
MINUTES

Committee Members Present: Doug McCain, Tim Ellis, and Norbert Soltwedel
Committee Member Absent:
Others Present: Josh Douthit, Dave Bushue, Becky Hoopingarner and Greg Koester

Minutes

- T. Ellis moved/ N. Soltwedel seconded to approve February 11, 2025 minutes. Unanimous. *Motion carried.*

Reviewed and Signed Claims -

Old Business

1. Status of Equipment Purchases -
 - Both tandem truck cab and chassis are expected soon, but unsure when dump body will be completed.
 - Received one of the bush hog mowers approved last month and expect to receive second mower in April.
 - Still have not received flashing stoplights for 4-way near lake sara
2. Status of ARPA Funds for Township Drainage Structures – remaining larger projects should be completed soon.

New Business

1. Participate in 20256/2026 CMS Joint Purchase for 300 Tons of Rock Salt – T. Ellis motioned and N. Soltwedel seconded to authorize Koester to participate in CMS Rock Salt Program.
2. Joint Resolution to Replace Drainage Structure Along County Line at Joint Expense with Shelby County – Both counties agreed to replace a large culvert located one-quarter mile west of 700th Street along Shelby/Effingham County line. Total cost is estimated at \$15,000. Division of costs will be prorated per each county’s EAV (per statute); consequently, Effingham will be responsible for \$10,000, while Shelby will be responsible for \$5,000. T. Ellis moved and N. Soltwedel seconded to recommend board approval, unanimous.
3. Night-time Sign Inspection – The annual inspection was completed with no significant concerns.
4. Oil Letting Scheduled for April 24th – Koester anticipates lower oil prices than last year.
5. Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation, South Altamont – Still waiting on approved draft from IDOT. T. Ellis motioned and N. Soltwedel seconded to recommend board approval; if get approved draft by IDOT, unanimous.
6. Status of Maintenance – Bushue discussed the following:
 - Bumping/brooming roads
 - Mobile patcher
 - Shouldering
 - Ditches...drainage
 - Douglas Township boom mower behind guardrails
 - Haul rock
7. Rescheduling April Committee Meeting from April 15th to April 14th – Committee agreed to make change.
8. Miscellaneous –

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

COUNTY ENGINEER **DATE**

CHAIRMAN OF ROAD & BRIDGE COMMITTEE **DATE**

Minutes submitted by Becky Hoopingarner,