



Effingham County Board
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May 13, 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: Dave Bushue, Becky Hoopingarnier and Greg Koester

Minutes

- N. Soltwedel moved/T. Ellis seconded to approve April 14, 2025 minutes. Unanimous. *Motion carried.*

Reviewed and Signed Claims -

Old Business

1. Status of Equipment Purchases and Sale of Existing Equipment – Koester gave status of tandem trucks and second bush hog mower.
2. New Highway Commissioners – New commissioners take office on the 19th (3rd Monday) and we meet with them on the 20th for a quick orientation and provide some guidance material.
3. Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Payment of the County Engineer’s Salary, BLR 09221 – Finally received recommended salary from IDOT utilizing MFT and federal funds for county engineer salary T. Ellis motioned and N. Soltwedel seconded to recommend board approval, unanimous.
4. Road Use Agreement (RUA) with Holland Energy – Improve 500th and County line using hot mix then oil and chip with cost around \$61,000.00. Holland agreed on the improvements and estimated costs.

New Business

1. Oil Letting Results – County opened bids on April 24th for oiling program for townships and the county. All the townships accepted their bids. T. Ellis moved and N. Soltwedel seconded to recommend board approval of resolution awarding 100,000 gallons of HFRS-2P road oil to Emulsicoat, Inc. of Urbana, IL for \$2.71 per gal and 200 tons of patch mix to Effingham Asphalt for \$100.00 per ton, unanimous.
2. Letting Results for Resurfacing South Altamont, Section 20-00099-00-RS – Howell Paving Inc. was the low bidder at \$2,422,359.96. No action is needed by the county since the agreement was approved last month by the board.
3. Construction Engineering Agreement for South Altamont – Greg plans to execute a T&M agreement with Milano & Grunloh Engineers on a as-needed basis to assist in construction oversight.
4. Purchase Additional Wet-Bottom Boiler Slag for Pavement Preservation – Received \$50.00/ton quote for boiler slag and waiting on quotes for hauling up to 600 tons from Pekin. This pavement preservation technique has paid off for over 20 years. N. Soltwedel and T. Ellis approve to purchase and haul boiler slag.
5. Crack Sealing and Road Condition Inventory - Greg attended seminar and seen some equipment that measures and gathers a lot of data of roads. Greg might look into and see how much it cost for them to come here for a day or two.
6. Status of Maintenance – Bushue discussed the following:
 - Drainage Projects
 - Worked shoulders
 - Started Mowing
 - Shelby County continues to rent ditcher
 - Mobile patcher and spraying
 - Roads ready for Oiling in June
7. Miscellaneous – Greg Koester informed committee that the county will advertise for bids to construction a new bridge in Union Township along 225th Avenue. After contacting several contractors on interest, county will accept bids by contractor, instead of performing the project day labor.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER

DATE

CHAIRMAN OF ROAD & BRIDGE COMMITTEE

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Minutes submitted by Becky Hoopingarnier,