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DeKalb County Government
Sycamore, Illinois

**Highway Committee Minutes
June 19, 2019**

A special meeting of the Highway Committee of the DeKalb County Board was held on Wednesday, June 19, 2019, 6:30pm in the Liberty Room of the DeKalb County Legislative Center, located at 200 N. Main Street, Sycamore, Illinois 60178.

Chairman Roy Plote called the meeting to order at 6:32pm and called for the roll. Committee members present were Ms. Emmer, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Pietrowski and Mr. West. Mr. Osland and Vice Chair Willis were absent. The County Engineer, Mr. Nathan Schwartz, Mr. Wayne Davey, Support Services Manager and Board Member Mr. Tim Bagby were also present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mr. Luebke moved and Mr. West seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.

RESOLUTION #R2019-40: AWARD RESOLUTION FOR THE REBUILDING OF THE SHOULDERS AND DITCHES ALONG WATERMAN ROAD

Mr. Schwartz informed the Committee that bids were opened today for three projects, one of them being Waterman Road. The County will be rebuilding the shoulders and re-grading the ditches along 4.85 miles of Waterman Road from Perry Road south to Duffy Road. Six bids were received for this project ranging from the low bid of \$862,242.93 to a high bid of \$1,987,322.10. The Engineer's Estimate for this project was \$1,034,475.75. Martin & Company Excavating from Oregon, Illinois submitted the low bid meeting specifications in the amount of \$862,242.93. Martin & Company has done extensive work in DeKalb County and the County has been very satisfied with their performance. Mr. Schwartz recommended approval of this award. **Ms. Emmer moved and Mr. West seconded the motion to forward the resolution to the full County Board recommending approval. Motion passed unanimously.**

RESOLUTION #R2019-42: AWARD RESOLUTION FOR THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF A PORTION OF SIDEWALK ALONG SOMONAUK ROAD IN CORTLAND, ILLINOIS

Three bids were received for the removal and replacement of 2,860 feet of sidewalk along Somonauk Road in the Town of Cortland. Bids ranged from the low bid of \$99,922.00 to a high bid of \$172,164.05. The low bid was submitted by Triggi Construction, Inc. from West Chicago, Illinois in the amount of \$99,922.00 and the Engineer's Estimate was \$115,781.50 for this project. Although the Highway Department has never had a contract with this Company, they

are IDOT prequalified and Mr. Schwartz has not heard any negative comments about the Company. Mr. Schwartz recommended approval of the award to Triggs. **Mr. Luebke moved and Mr. West seconded the motion to forward the resolution to the full County Board recommending approval. Motion passed unanimously.**

RESOLUTION #R2019-44: AWARD RESOLUTION FOR THE REPAIRS TO THE BRIDGE DECK OF JOHNSON ROAD BRIDGE IN MAYFIELD ROAD DISTRICT

The final project that bids were received for on June 19th was for the Johnson Road Bridge. This project deals with the top slab of the bridge deck being poured over the existing deck to provide additional strength needed to carry legal weight loads. Five bids were received with the low bid being \$29,571.30 and the high bid being \$84,900.00. The Engineer's Estimate was \$45,525.00 for this project. Civil Constructors from Freeport, Illinois submitted the low bid meeting specifications in the amount of \$29,571.30. Civil has had many projects in DeKalb County and their performance has always been satisfactory. Mr. Schwartz recommended approval of this award. **Ms. Emmer moved and Mr. Luebke seconded the motion to forward the resolution to the full County Board recommending approval. Motion passed unanimously.**

MFT RESOLUTIONS #R2019-43 AND #R2019-45

Mr. Schwartz explained that the County would be utilizing Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds to pay for a portion of the Waterman Road project and the Somonauk Road sidewalk project presented to the Committee tonight. In order for the State to authorize the expenditure of the requested funds the County must first appropriate the funds for use on these projects. Resolution #R2019-43 is for the Waterman Road project and is for the appropriation of \$825,000.00 in County MFT funds to be utilized on that project. **Ms. Emmer moved and Mr. Luebke seconded the motion to forward the resolution to the full County Board recommending approval. Motion passed unanimously.** Resolution #R2019-45 is for the Somonauk Road sidewalk project and is for the appropriation of \$50,000.00 in County MFT funds to be utilized on that project. **Mr. Pietrowski moved and Mr. West seconded the motion to forward the resolution to the full County Board recommending approval. Motion passed unanimously.**

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS: None

COUNTY ENGINEER'S COMMENTS: Mr. Schwartz informed the Committee that he will be meeting with the property owner of Corson Drive in the near future to see if an agreement can be reached to move forward to take appropriate steps to have Sycamore Road District accept Corson Drive as a public roadway. Also, Mr. Schwartz informed the Committee that he would be advertising for a new staff member for DSATS as that position is now currently vacant.

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OTHER BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Plote asked if there was any additional items that needed to be presented tonight and hearing none asked for a motion to adjourn. **A motion was made by Mr. Luebke and seconded by Mr. Pietrowski and the motion passed unanimously.** The June 19, 2019 special meeting was adjourned at 6:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roy Plote
Chairman