The committee meeting convened at 4:01 P.M. with roll call of committee members. Robert Davidson absent. Quorum established.

Motion Gryder, second Gilmour to approve agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Gryder, second Gilmour to approve the Highway Committee meeting minutes from May 9, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

An intergovernmental agreement between Kendall County and Village of Millington was presented to the committee. Said agreement involves the construction of sidewalks along Vine Street in Millington using $17,500 of KC-TAP funds. IGA was prepared by State’s Attorney Office. Motion Gryder, second Cullick to recommend approval of the IGA to the County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

A local public agency agreement for federal participation for Eldamain Road – Contract A was presented to the committee. This agreement delineates the breakdown of costs for this federally-funded construction project. There is currently programmed $2.5 million in STU dollars, $2.0 million in STR dollars, and $4.5 million in local transportation sales tax dollars. Scheduled letting is September 22, 2017 for this project. Motion Cullick; second Gilmour to recommend approval of the agreement to the County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Along with the local agency agreement, the County also must approve an appropriation resolution for the Eldamain Road project. The resolution will be used as an attachment to the federal aid agreement. In this case, the $4.5 million in transportation sales tax funds must have a separate appropriation resolution to satisfy State requirements. Motion Gryder; second Cullick to recommend approved of the $4.5 million appropriation resolution to the County Board. Gilmour asked when the local funds would be paid out. Klaas stated that it might take up to 3 years before all final bills would have to be paid. IDOT funds the project up front, and then invoices the local agency after work is completed. Motion carried unanimously.

Klaas provided an update on the status of the Millington Bridge. The County’s consultant has reviewed multiple alternatives to fix the structure, and has recommended Alternative 7 in their Pier Retrofit Alternative Evaluations. The selected alternative will essentially replace the old concrete piers with new concrete piers that will span the old footings. Permitting for the proposed work will likely take several months, and the total repair costs are expected to be around $1.5 million. Costs for the repair will be split between Kendall County and LaSalle County based on each county’s total assessed valuation. LaSalle County intends to use federal money for their share. This will slow the engineering and permitting process slightly; but it doesn’t appear that
there are any other alternatives for the LaSalle County funding source. Soil borings for the project indicate that there is bedrock about 60’ below the river floor. Kellogg asked about easements to get to the pier repairs. There are two alternative for causeways into the river. One involves a single causeway from the south bank, accessing both piers. The second alternative involves a causeway from both banks, accessing the piers separately. It is likely that Office of Water Resources may dictate which alternative can be used.

P.J. Fitzpatrick provided an update of the Collins Road Extension project. After the most recent FHWA meeting, there is now an approved preferred alignment. The County also obtained cultural clearance and the biological clearance should come pretty soon. There will be one more public meeting in September, another FHWA coordination meeting in October, and hopefully a draft project development report by the end of the calendar year.

Klaas presented an IGA between the County and the City of Plano to the committee. It covers the proposed local share of reconstruction costs for the Route 34 and Eldamain Road intersection, which will be rehabilitated as part of a State reconstruction project. The $25,000 local share of costs are being assigned to Plano due to an existing master agreement for traffic signals; but Klaas stated that these costs are actually the County’s responsibility, because the County took over Eldamain Road in a jurisdictional transfer in 2004. The Committee agreed that these costs are County costs, and indicated that once Plano has reviewed the IGA, it could be brought forward to the County Board for approval.

Motion Cullick; second Gryder to forward Highway Department bills for the month of June in the amount of $106,536.13 to the Finance Committee for approval. Gryder asked about the bill for trees. Additional trees were placed on the berm east of Orchard Road and north of the Fox River to replace ones that had died. The Motion to approve bills carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:26 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis C. Klaas, P.E.
Kendall County Engineer

Action Items

1. Intergovernmental Agreement between Kendall County and Village of Millington for construction of sidewalks on Vine Street using $17,500 in KC-TAP funds.

2. Local Public Agency Agreement for Federal Participation for Eldamain Road – Contract A, from River Road to U.S. Route 34.

3. Resolution appropriating $4.5 million in transportation sales tax funds to pay the proportionate share of construction costs for Eldamain Road – Contract A.