HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: November 8, 2016
LOCATION: Kendall County Highway Department
MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Koukol, Scott Gryder, Judy Gilmour, Jeff Wehrli and Matt Prochaska
STAFF PRESENT: Fran Klaas, Andy Myers and John Burscheid
ALSO PRESENT: P.J. Fitzpatrick and Kelly Farley

The committee meeting convened at 4:00 P.M. with roll call of committee members. All present. Quorum established.

Motion Prochaska; second Gryder, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Prochaska, second Gilmour to approve the Highway Committee meeting minutes from October 11, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

A bid opening was held on Friday, November 4, 2016 for 16,000 gallons of unleaded gas and 20,000 gallons of diesel fuel. The low bidder for both items was CHS Elburn. Gryder asked if the Highway Department was aware of some type of State bid for fuels, which he had recently discussed with Sheriff Baird. Klaas was unaware of any program, but stated that he would look into it. Motion Koukol; second Wehrli to recommend approval of the low bid from CHS Elburn in the amount of $1.90271/gallon for unleaded gas and $1.95790/gallon for diesel fuel for the period from December 1, 2016 to November 30, 2017. Motion approved unanimously.

An agreement for right-of-way consulting services between Kendall County and Mathewson Right of Way Company was presented to the committee. The work pertains to the proposed improvements to Grove Road between Sherrill Road and U.S. Route 52. It is anticipated that the County will need to acquire approximately 30 parcels, all of which would be simple strip right-of-way acquisitions along the existing right-of-way. Mathewson’s work would include appraisals, negotiations and closing costs. Any eminent domain proceedings would be handled as separate work outside of this proposed agreement. Motion Wehrli; second Gryder to recommend approval of the agreement to the County Board. Motion approved unanimously.

The Long Range Transportation Plan was presented to the committee. A draft copy of the Plan has been on the County’s website for several weeks. Koukol asked about the Collins Road Extension. Klaas said that the project is shown in both Exhibit 5 and Exhibit 10 which includes funding for preliminary engineering. Construction funding is not currently in the 5-year plan. Gryder asked about the WIKADUKE Trail in the Plan. Klaas stated that there were monies set aside in a couple different years to work on the Trail. Motion Gryder; second Prochaska to recommend approval of the Long Range Transportation Plan to the County Board. Motion approved unanimously.

Compliance reviews by IDOT for 2015 receipts and expenditures of County Motor Fuel Taxes, Township Motor Fuel Tax expenditures, and Township Bridge Program funds were presented to
Chairman Koukol requested updates from P.J. Fitzpatrick on the Collins Road Extension project. P.J. reported that he had met with IDOT and FHWA to solidify the purpose and need for the project. Everything is still on schedule to have a public meeting this January. Kelly Farley then reported on the progress of the Little Rock Road project. Said project is being finalized and is now in the land acquisition phase. It should be ready for a bid letting in the spring of 2017.

Koukol asked about the status of the Route 30 and Orchard Road intersection project. There had been a flurry of activity a while ago, but no one has heard of any recent activity on the planning for this project.

Klaas informed the committee that there would be a bid opening for tree removal along Eldamain Road from River Road to U.S. Route 34. The bid opening will be at 10:00 AM on November 10, 2016. He requested that the low bid be brought to the County Board meeting for approval on November 15, 2016. Gilmour asked why the County was moving forward with tree removal in advance of the road construction project. Klaas stated that there were many public utilities that were in the way of the proposed road construction, and they would have difficulty relocating them until all the trees removed. So the tree removal would facilitate utility relocations, and would hopefully save money on the total cost of the project. Committee members did not have a problem with this schedule. Koukol requested that bid results be emailed to him soon after the bid opening.

Motion Koukol; second Prochaska to forward Highway Department bills for the month of November in the amount of $440,923.79 to the Finance Committee for approval. Motion to approve bills carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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

**Action Items**

1. Approve low bid from CHS Elburn to supply 16,000 gallons of unleaded gas at a price of $1.90271 / gallon and 20,000 gallons of diesel fuel at a price of $1.95790 / gallon.
2. Approve agreement for right of way consulting services between Kendall County and Mathewson Right of Way Company for acquisition of right-of-way on Grove Road between Sherrill Road and U.S. Rte. 52 at a cost not to exceed $99,000.
3. Approve Kendall County Long Range Transportation Plan