The committee meeting convened at 4:04 P.M. with roll call of Committee members and introduction of guests. All committee members present. Quorum established.

Motion Wehrli; 2nd Gilmour to approve the agenda with Citizens to be Heard moved up before Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Jacob Medgyesi asked the Committee to consider his request to install another private entrance at 16573 Galena Road in unincorporated Little Rock. He has an existing entrance; but wants another one about 50’ east of his neighbor to the west to create a horseshoe-type driveway, making it easier to get in and out of his property and provide access to his pole building. He is currently backing into his existing driveway when he is pulling a trailer. The proposed access would not conform to the County’s Access Regulation Ordinance. The Committee considered the request, but was not inclined to grant a variance because of the close proximity to all the private entrances at this location. Wehrli suggested that Mr. Medgyesi could perhaps extend his driveway to the north, allowing him to pull off Galena Road and then back into his pole building.

There are two Executive Session Minutes to be reviewed. Klaas recommended that they be released because the discussion involved acquisition of properties along Eldamain Road north of Menards. Those acquisitions have been completed and there is no longer a reason to hold the minutes. Koukol requested that this matter be placed on the July agenda so that the Committee would have time to review the minutes.

Kendall County does not yet have a copy of the signed IGA with City of Plano regarding the proposed roundabout at Little Rock Road and Creek Road intersection. This matter will be put on the July agenda for action. Cesich requested more information on the pros and cons of the proposed roundabout. She has had some questions from constituents about the proposed project.

The IGA with Oswegoland Park District regarding the expenditure of Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds was presented to the Committee. OPD has executed the Agreement and it is ready to go before the County Board. Motion Wehrli; 2nd Prochaska to recommend approval of the IGA to the County Board. Motion approved unanimously.

Koukol reported that he inspected traffic signals and road improvements with Andy Myers.

Gilmour had received a call from a citizen who was concerned about the proposed reconstruction of Townhall Road as part of the Route 47 reconstruction, and was wondering why Townhall Road would need to be completely reconstructed so far back from Route 47. Klaas reported that
he had discussed this matter with Linda Fosen, a resident of Townhall Road, and then with IDOT, and he could not explain why they were continuing to pursue the reconstruction, which he believed to be a waste of time and money. IDOT’s reasoning was that they were attempting to apply federal policies uniformly to all side-street intersections with Route 47. But the Committee and the County Engineer believed that there was really no reason to spend money on Townhall Road improvements, considering that it is a dead end road with only 3 homes. Wehrli suggested that Committee Members get hold of local legislators to express their concerns about this matter. Koukol also had questions about the reconstruction of Route 47 south of Route 52, and how it would impact the property owner(s) on the east side of Route 47.

Wehrli reported that Wolf Road in Oswego is now open to traffic. Klaas reported that River Road Bridge may be open to traffic by July 4th.

Gilmour asked about progress on the mitigation of the buried fuel tank site here at the Highway Department. Klaas reported that Huff & Huff had submitted the 20-Day Report to the IEPA, and the 45-Day Report was being submitted to IEPA. There are contaminated soils still remaining at this site, but they are of a nature that they may be allowed to remain as the final mitigation. Talks are ongoing with the IEPA.

Motion Prochaska; second Wehrli to forward Highway Department bills totaling $195,465.56 to the Finance Committee for approval. Roll call. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Committee congratulated Ginger Gates on her 40 years of employment with Kendall County.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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

ACTION ITEMS

1. IGA w/ Oswegoland Park District not-to-exceed $10,000 of TAP Funds.