

Clinton County Highway Committee
Minutes
January 15, 2025 7:30 a.m.

1. Mr. Ken Knolhoff called the meeting to order at 7:30
2. Attendance:

Ken Knolhoff	Committee Chairman
Mike Hilmes	Committee Member
Joe Jansen	Committee Member
Brad Knolhoff	County Board Chairman
Brian Diekemper	Maintenance Foreman
Dan Behrens	County Engineer
3. Mr. Ken Knolhoff made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2024 meeting. Mr. Jansen seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.
4. Public Comment: None
5. The current maintenance activities were discussed.
6. Mr. Behrens and Mr. Diekemper discussed the recent Department of Labor OSHA surprise inspection. They stated that there were some minor citations that have been corrected. The Highway Department has not received the official letter from the Department of Labor, but it was stated that most likely there would be no fines.
7. Mr. Diekemper gave the Committee price quotes for a new mowing tractor and rotary mower. All of the quotes were through Sourcewell, therefore bidding is not required. Midwest Tractor's quote was substantially less than that of John Deere and Massie Ferguson. The prices included trade-in values for a used Massie Ferguson tractor and a John Deere rotary mower.
8. Mr. Behrens reported on the snow removal operations from the recent winter storms. The County used approximately 950 tons of salt and about 190 hours of overtime.
9. Mr. Behrens reported that they are performing their biennial bridge inspections. He noted that this may be the last time they will do these inspections, because the State will very soon perform these for all local agencies.
10. Mr. Behrens gave the Committee two resolutions to appropriate local funds for the upcoming resurfacing project on Aviston Road. One resolution appropriates the remaining REBUILD Illinois funds the other appropriates local matching funds. Mr. Knolhoff made a motion to have this placed on the board's agenda for approval. Mr. Hilmes seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.
11. Mr. Behrens gave the Committee an engineering agreement from HMG Engineers to perform design engineering for a bridge on Meridian Road. The bridge will be joint project with Marion County. Mr. Knolhoff made a motion to have this placed on the board's agenda for approval. Mr. Jansen seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.
12. The Committee discussed the potential for adding a stop line on St. Rose Road at the intersection with Old US Route 50
13. Mr. Behrens said they plan to have the annual MFT rock letting on January 8th.
14. Mr. Behrens gave the committee the results of the aggregate letting held on January 8. Mr. Knolhoff made a motion to have the Board award the low bidders for each item. Mr. Jansen seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.
14. The Committee approved the current bills.