## Clinton County Highway Committee Minutes January 11, 2023 7:30 a.m.

1. Mr. Wessel called the meeting to order at 7:30

2. Attendance:

Kan Knolhoff
Joe Jansen
Mike Hilmes
Brad Knolhoff
Dan Behrens
Steve Schomaker

Committee Chairman
Committee Member
County Board Chairman
County Engineer
Albers Village President

3. Mr. Jansen made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 1, 2022 meeting. Mr. Hilmes seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.

- 4. No one from the public asked for time.
- 5. Mr. Behrens gave the Committee the bid results from the Janury 6<sup>th</sup> rock letting. He said that KALL trucking asked to have their bid withdrawn for supplying CA 15 due to the fact that Falling Springs Quarry informed them that they will not produce this item. Mr. Knolhoff made a motion to have the award of the low bidders placed on the Boards agenda without KALL Trucking's bid for CA 15 included. Mr. Jansen seconded this motion. The motion passed by voice vote.
- 6. Mr. Behrens gave the Committee a copy of the proposed ordinance establishing 45 MPH speed zone on Shattuc Road near Kaskaskia College. Mr. Hilmes made a motion to have this ordinance placed on the Board's agenda. Mr. Knolhoff seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.
- 7. Mr. Schomaker spoke to the Committee concerning the proposed sidewalk along Aviston Road extending from the north edge of the Village to Court Road. He explained that the land owner is not willing to sell right of way for this sidewalk. There is room on County right of way to construct this which will serve subdivisions located on Court Road. Mr. Behrens gave the Committee a copy of an agreement to allow the Village to construct and maintain this sidewalk on county right of way. Mr. Jansen made a motion to have this placed on the County Board's agenda. Mr. Hilmes seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.
- 7. Mr. Behrens told the Committee that Dakota Matting has requested entrances off of Albers road. He said that this is located within the Village of Damiansville and by agreement the Village will be responsible for the maintenance of the culverts, ditches and entrances. Mr. Behrens said that he granted permission for these entrances that meet the County's commercial entrance policy. Because this is within the Village they will also need to secure permission from the Village.
- 8. Mr. Behrens gave the Committee a copy of an agreement with Madison County for the replacement of a bridge on Lee Road. Since this bridge is on the county line, its replacement is the responsibility of the two counties. The cost will be in proportion of the respective equalizes assed valuation. Madison County will pay about 89% and Clinton County 11% of the total cost. Mr. Jansen made a motion to have this agreement placed on the County Board's agenda. Mr. Hilmes seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.
- 9. Mr. Behrens said they have completed the biennial bridge inspection for the County and the Townships.

- 10. Mr. Behrens said that he has been working with Meridian Township on a road use agreement for the proposed solar farm in Meridian Township.
- 11. The Committee discussed the box culvert replacement on Huey Road.
- 12. Mr. Behrens said that he met with Sugar Creek Township and Representative Charlie Meyer concerning funds that may be available for improvements to Wesclin Road.
- 13. The Committee discussed the salary increase for the maintenance foreman. Mr. Behrens said that everyone else in this department is covered by one of three collective bargaining agreements which have annual salary increases that took effect last December. The maintenance foreman is not included; therefore, his increase needs to be done separately. He said that each department received roughly the same increases as the previous two years. Mr. Behrens said the maintenance foreman has received an increase of \$0.75 per hour in both 2020 and 2021 so he plans to increase the foremen's salary by \$0.75 retroactive to December 1, 2022 to keep in line with the other employees. There were no objections to this proposed salary increase.
- 12. Mr. Behrens said that they still have a sufficient supply of salt on hand after the most recent winter storm.
- 13. Mr. Behrens said they are going out for bids on two trucks. He will have the results for the Committee to consider probably next month.
- 14. The Committee approved the current bills.