

Clinton County Highway Committee
Minutes
July 16, 2025 7:30 a.m.

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

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| Ken Knolhoff | Committee Chairman |
| Mike Hilmes | Committee Member |
| Joe Jansen | Committee Member |
| Brad Knolhoff | County Board Chairman |
| Holly Clark | Clinton County Board Member |
| Brian Diekemper | Highway Maintenance Foreman |
| Dan Behrens | County Engineer |
3. Mr. Ken Knolhoff made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 11, 2025 meeting. Mr. Hilmes seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.
4. Public Comment: No one from the public asked for time to speak.
5. Ms. Clark attended the meeting to relay a concern that a constituent has on Lake Road. She expressed the person is concerned about the ditch on Lake Road near Oak Drive. The ditch always has water in it, and it is difficult to cut grass. Mr. Diekemper stated that the County dipped this ditch out last year and has cut the grass but there are three sump pump drains that run very frequently and keep the ditch wet.

The ditch does have steep slopes but the county is restricted from improving this due to lack of right of way. Mr. Behrens stated that they would look at flattening the ditch slopes if they could get right of way, but cautioned that if utilities are located just behind the back slope of the ditch these improvements it may be very costly.

Ms. Clark stated that she would relay this information to the concerned individual.
6. Mr. Diekemper listed the current maintenance activities including placing hot-mix asphalt on Boulder Road and the proposed oil and chipping plans.
7. Mr. Behrens reported on the Aviston Road resurfacing project. The contractor should be finished near the end of the month.
8. Mr. Behrens reported that they have made the first round of selection of the State's Off System Bridge Program. The State may replace 5 township bridges in Clinton County at no cost to the County or Townships. There is no final selection date set as of now.
9. Mr. Behrens reported that they submitted the Grant Application for safety funds for improvements to Jamestown Road.
10. Mr. Behrens reported that the Ford Explorer that the sheriff's department gave them for an engineering vehicle has a transmission that slips when under a load. They do not want to put any money into repairing this car. They will look at trading this in for a new vehicle utilizing a Sourcewell contract.
11. The Committee approved the current bills.