

Clinton County Highway Committee  
Minutes  
September 10, 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       |
| Brian Diekemper | Highway Maintenance Foreman |
| Dan Behrens     | County Engineer             |
| Merk Rehkemper  | Village of St. Rose         |
3. Mr. Jansen made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 13, 2025 meeting. Mr. Hilmes seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.
4. Mark Rehkemper discussed the issues the Village of St. Rose had with getting permission from the County to install crosswalks on Main Street. It was also mentioned that most other municipalities have maintenance agreements with the County for County Highways within the municipal limits. Mr. Rehkemper said the Village would be interested in a similar agreement.
5. Mr. Behrens gave the committee a permit application for the Village of St Rose for a crosswalk on Main Street. Mr. Hilmes made a motion to have this placed on the County Board's agenda for approval. Mr. Knolhoff seconded the motion. The motion passed.
6. The current maintenance activities were discussed. The county has the opportunity to get considerable amount dirt just north of Hoffman at a cost of \$15/tandem truck load. They plan to get as much as possible and stockpile in on county right of way to be used for shoulder work on Huey Road.
7. Mr. Behrens reported that the contractor has finished of the Aviston Road resurfacing project.
8. The contractor has started the repairs on Walnut Street in Breese.
9. Mr. Behrens reported that IDOT has confirmed that the county has two bridges in Meridian Township as well has three additional ones on the Marion County line included in the Off System Bridge Bundling Program. These will be entirely designed and replaced by the State with no cost to the County or Township.
10. Several instances of unauthorized work on County Right of Way were discussed. The people will be contacted and informed of the violations and instructed to correct the action.
11. The proposed budget was discussed more specifically the salary line item due to potentially large payouts for two retirees. Brad Knolhoff stated that these can come from a different line item in the County's budget and not from the Highway Department's budget.
12. The Committee approved the current bills.