

Clinton County Highway Committee

Minutes

May 6, 2021 7:30 a.m.

1. Attendance:

Bryan Wessel	Committee Chairman
Jim Sullivan	Committee Member
Ken Knolhoff	Committee Member
Larry Johnson	County Board Chairman
Brad Knolhoff	County Board Member
Dan Behrens	County Engineer

2. Mr. Wessel made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 1, 2021 Highway Committee Meeting. Mr. Ken Knolhoff seconded the motion. The motion passed.
3. Mr. Behrens gave the Committee the results of the April 27th bid opening for a new dump truck. The lowest bid that meets the bid specification was submitted by Troy Truck Centers for a Freightliner 1085D with a bed from B&M with a total price of \$106,367.00 which includes a trade-in value of \$36,000. Mr. Sullivan made a motion for the award the bid submitted by Troy Truck Centers to be placed on the on the Board's agenda for approval. Mr. Knolhoff seconded the motion. The motion passed.
4. Mr. Behrens told the Committee that the Grassy Branch Bridge on Albers Road will need to be replaced or have major rehabilitation. They are waiting on a response from the Bridge Office but most likely this rehabilitation should be done using REBUILD Illinois funds.
5. Mr. Behrens reported on the progress of the Boulder Road Bridge project. The Contractor is on schedule to have this completed by the end of June.
6. Mr. Behrens reported that the Contracts have been approved for the bridge replacement project on Pipeline Road. The Contractor does not have a scheduled start date.
7. Mr. Behrens told the Committee that they will need to purchase a new lawnmower which will be used to cut the grass at the highway department and at the County Farm. They will also look at purchasing a smaller trailer which will be used to transport the mower and for other uses by the highway department.
8. Mr. Behrens told the Committee that they have finished pile repairs on a bridge for Clement Township. He said that they broke a waterline while under this bridge while removing bean stubble. Chairman Johnson was concerned that this was done without a JULIE locate and was insistent that this should not happen.
9. Mr. Behrens said that they will proceed with work on widening the Huey Road, Sand Ridge Road intersection. They may do 2 or 3 quadrants soon but they will need additional right of way to finish all sides.
10. Mr. Behrens told the Committee that plans have been submitted to IDOT for review for adding paved shoulders to a section Aviston Road.
11. The County received \$168,984.08 in Covid-19 relief funds that will need to be spent by September 2024.
12. New business – Mr. Brad Knolhoff raised concerns he has received concerning operations at the highway department. Of special concern was the lack of communication between the management and the employees and treatment of the employees by the foreman.
13. The Committee approved the current bills.