

**MINUTES OF A HIGHWAY, ROAD, AND BRIDGE MEETING OF THE COUNTY OF  
HANCOCK, HELD AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF CARTHAGE ON  
June 29, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Patsy Davis at 8:30 a.m. Those in attendance included board members Ms. Davis, Mr. Menn, Mr. Cramer, Mr. Bergmeier, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Bollin, Mr. Castlebury, and Mr. Kreps. Elgin Berry was in attendance to give the engineer report. Stephanie Swisegood was in attendance to take notes of the meeting. Visitors included Kasey Meyer and Keegan Baker from Quincy Mack and Gary Keller from Midway Freightliner.

Ms. Davis welcomed the visitors. Mr. Berry had bid letting on the new dump truck. There were 3 bids that met or exceeded our requirements. Mr. Meyer said the last 2 Mack trucks we purchased from them is no longer available. There was not enough market for it. The Mack is an 11 L 355 horsepower. There is a \$8000-\$10,000 price jump. We will get all of that or more on the backend. Mr. Douglas asked if it came in a 2023 model. Mr. Meyer stated it will be a 2024. They are building an identical truck to the last one we had. This price includes the title and plates also. Mr. Menn asked about maintenance on the truck. Mr. Keller stated they have full service and warranty in Quincy and a second location in Palmyra. Mr. Bergmeier made a motion to purchasing a Freightliner Truck chassis from Midway Freightliner and a Duraclass Dump Bed and other accessories from Knapheide in Quincy. Mr. Cramer seconded. All members present voted "aye".

Claims were gone over. Claims totaled \$344,242.25. Mr. Douglas made a motion to pay the claims. Mr. Castlebury seconded. All members presented voted "aye".

Mr. Elgin explained that last month he had stated he was looking at Sourcewell to order the Mack truck through. He had sent this information to Ms. Mast but has not heard anything back from her as of yet so he went ahead with the bidding.

Klingner and Associates provided an Opinion of Construction cost for the Connable Road. The estimated cost is \$3.5 million. Bid prices are likely to increase before the final contractor's bids are received. ARPA will provide \$2.6 million, \$1.1 million provided by County Motor Fuel Tax and Rebuild Illinois funds. The remainder will be provided by County Highway Fund and County Engineering and Administration Fund. Mr. Menn asked if this is from the Ferris Blacktop to 136, yes it is. It is 45% of the Connable. Mr. Menn asked how this puts us with our main county roads? Elgin feels that the biggest improvement has been the Fountain Green Blacktop. The worse road now is the West Point road. They will reclaim 2 miles of this road next year.

Mr. Bollin told Mr. Berry that the trees on 2000N/1000E need to be removed. They are hanging down in the way and trucks are unable to see traffic coming.

Mr. Castlebury asked about a train that has been across the tracks around Augusta for several days. A train broke down in Plymouth and it was over an hour before it moved. If an ambulance had to get there they would have had to go all the way around to the 4-lane. He wonders who he can get in touch with. Mr. Bergmeier stated they used to only be able to sit for 20 minutes. Mr. Berry stated there is a phone number on the crossing sign that you can call. The designation regulator is Illinois Commerce Commission. Mr. Menn stated he could call the FRA and will get results.

Ms. Davis made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to a personnel issue at 9:18. This was seconded by Mr. Castlebury. All members present voted "aye".

Motion to come out of executive session was made by Ms. Davis at 9:21 and seconded by Mr. Castlebury. All members present voted "aye".

Motion to recess until July 28, 2022. was made by Mr. Douglas. Mr. Bergmeier seconded. All members present voted "aye". Meeting adjourned at 9:21.

Respectfully submitted,

Patsy Davis, Chairwoman