

MINUTES OF A HIGHWAY, ROAD, AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF CARTHAGE ON MARCH 27, 2024

The meeting was called to order by chairman Dennis Castlebury at 8:30 a.m. Members in attendance included Wayne Bollin, Mark Menn, Patsy Davis, and Mark Turner. Absent was Mark Harrison, Alex Blythe, and Tom Rodgers. Visitors included Elgin Berry.

Mr. Berry gave the engineer's report. The Connable Road Project bid letting was March 20 in which there was only 1 bid from WL Miller for \$4,411,875.95. TARP Funds of \$436,000, MFT and Rebuild Illinois Funds of \$1,176,000, and ARPA Funds of \$2.8 million are the projected amounts to be used. If there are overages Mr. Berry stated that the MFT Fund will cover it. Ms. Davis made a motion to accept the bid made on March 20 from WL Miller for \$4.4 million, Mr. Bollin seconded. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried. Mr. Bollin asked about a ground-breaking ceremony.

Motion to allocate \$2.8 million from ARPA to the County Highway Fund to fund the Connable Road Project was made by Mr. Bollin. Ms. Davis seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Culvert letting was held on March 25 for the townships and county. The lowest bidder on all culverts was Metal Culverts, Inc. from Jefferson City, Missouri. Motion to accept the bids from Metal Culverts was made by Mr. Turner. Mr. Bollin seconded. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Berry recommends approval of an "Anticipation Resolution" which is needed by IDOT in order to pay for "future" TBP funds for an old project. Ms. Davis made a motion to approve the Anticipation Resolution with Mr. Turner seconding. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Nicor has agreed to pay for the missing sidewalk in Basco. Mr. Berry will take the blank contract to WL Miller today. After they sign the contract it will be signed at full board on April 16. Then IDOT will approve this within a couple of days so it should be fully signed by May 1, 2024. Within 10 days of giving WL Miller the signed contract they can start working on the project and have 80 days to finish the work.

Claims were gone over. Motion to pay the claims was made by Ms. Davis. Mr. Bollin seconded. All members present voted aye. Motion to recess until April 29 at 8:30 a.m. was made by Mr. Castlebury and seconded by Ms. Davis. All members present voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Castlebury