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MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE OF THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD

Called by: Chairman Tassoni

DATE: Tuesday, July 19, 2022

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

Members: Angela Fellars,
Burt Gerl, David Kelley (Vice-
Chairman), Jim Webster and
Kevin McCarthy

LOCATION: Room 510
County Administration Building
404 Elm Street
Rockford, IL 61101

MINUTES:

A. Call to Order – CHAIRMAN TASSONI CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:00 P.M.

B. Rollcall –

Present: Dave Tassoni, Angela Fellars, Burt Gerl, Dave Kelley, Jim Webster and
Kevin McCarthy

Also: Carlos Molina, County Engineer
John Giliberti, State Attorney's Office

C. Approval of Minutes – MR. TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE
June 9, 2022 Meeting Minutes and the May 23, 2022 Meeting Minutes. SECONDED BY MR. GERL.
MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT
Closed Meeting - None

D. Public Comment – This is the time we invite the public to address the Public Works Committee with
issues and concerns. We ask you to limit your comments to three minutes. Personal attacks or
inappropriate language of any sort will not be tolerated. A maximum of five speakers will be heard on a
first come basis with sign up at the meeting. Speakers may not address zoning matters, which are
pending before the Zoning Committee, Zoning Board of Appeals, or the County Board. Personnel
matters or pending or threatened litigation may not be addressed in open session. An individual may
speak a maximum of three times per calendar year on the same topic. This prohibition shall include the
repetition of the same topic in a statement on what is purported to be a different topic. After
acknowledgement by the chair, please stand and state your name. Thank you for your cooperation.

E. Legislation
Old Legislation –



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New Legislation –

(22-023) CHAIRMAN TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Bid for Resurfacing Lyford Road from Rote Road to Spring Creek Road - Rockford Township Project (Section: 22-09000-02-RS). Mr. Molina informed the Committee that it is a State requirement that the County Board award bids for Township projects that utilize Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds. **SECONDED BY MR. GERL. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.**

County Cost: \$00.00

C.B. District: 8 & 11

(22-024) CHAIRMAN TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Local Public Agency Engineering Services Agreement with ARC Design Resources, Inc. for the Design of Intersection Improvements at Guilford and Bell School Roads and for Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax Funds (Section: 20-00676-00-WR). Mr. Molina reminded the PWC that Resolution 22-022 was passed on June 9, 2022 for two (2) grants with the State of Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for this project. Senator Syverson and Representative Sosnowski initiated these grants for a total 1.2 million dollars of improvements to the County to be used at the intersection of Bell School Road and Guilford Rd. The State will reimburse us that amount. Anything over will be the County's responsibility. The Highway Department is planning to begin the project in the summer of 2022. **SECONDED BY MR. WEBSTER. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.**

Cost: \$238,500

C.B. District: 8 & 11

(22-025) CHAIRMAN TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the County of Winnebago, the City of South Beloit and the Villages of Roscoe, Rockton and Cherry Valley for the Administration of Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Grant Funds (Section: 20-00676-00-WR). Mr. Molina informed the PWC that this resolution is related to 20-024. 1.1 million dollars of the grant secured by Rep, Sosnowski will be divvied up between the municipalities at \$100,000 each and \$700,000 for the County. The money will come to the Highway Department and we will distribute it to the municipalities. **SECONDED BY MR. GERL. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.**

Cost: \$00.00

C.B. District: 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 11 & 15

(22-026) CHAIRMAN TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AN Award of Bid for Mulford Road Resurfacing from Harrison Avenue to a point North of Sandy Hollow Road and for Appropriating Rebuild Illinois Funds (Section 22-00708-00-RS). Mr. Molina informed the PWC that our Highway Staff feels this is a good bid and lower than we expected. This project will start just north of the railroad tracks. This work will begin after October 1, 2022 in FY 2023. **SECONDED BY MR. GERL AND MR. WEBSTER. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.**

Cost: \$414,411.24

C.B. District: 11 & 15

(22-027) CHAIRMAN TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AN Award of Bid for Prairie Hill Road Resurfacing from IL Rte. 2 to IL Rte. 251 and for Appropriating Rebuild Illinois Funds (Section 21-00701-00-RS). Mr. Molina informed the PWC that this will be the last year of the three year program we receive Rebuild Illinois Funds (RBI). 2.5 million dollars remain of the RBI funding. The pavement is in poor condition; we will repair the pavement just short of the railroad tracks, East and West. **SECONDED BY MR. WEBSTER. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.**

Cost: \$1,053,550.86

C.B. District: 2 & 4



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(22-028) CHAIRMAN TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AN Award of Bid for Charles Street Resurfacing from Alpine Road to Mulford Road and for Appropriating Rebuild Illinois Funds (Section 21-00678-00-RS). Mr. Molina informed the PWC that this resurfacing project would complete the corridor. The anticipated start date is September of this year. Highway Staff feels that this is a good bid. **SECONDED BY MR. GERL. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.**

Cost: \$468,637.86

C.B. District: 15

(22-029) CHAIRMAN TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A Resolution Awarding Quotes for Supplying Electricity for Traffic Signals and Highway Lighting **(Rate to be locked in on July 28, 2022 after CB approval)** Mr. Molina informed the PWC that this Resolution is for the Traffic Signals/General Lighting, Highway Lighting/Street Lighting and Highway Building lighting. Electricity rates vary daily. The suppliers will submit updated rates on July 28, 2022, once the County Board approves the Resolution for Award the rates can be locked in at the Board's discretion for 1, 2, or a 3-year contract. **SECONDED BY MR. GERL. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.**

Cost: \$TBD

C.B. District: County Wide

(22-030) Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Stephenson and the County of Winnebago for Roadway Maintenance Mr. Molina informed the PWC that this is a customary intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with another agency to exchange services for mutual benefit. **SECONDED BY MR. WEBSTER. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.**

Cost: \$N/A

C.B. District: County Wide

Other Matters –

Budget Amendment-

Change Order(s) for Information Only –

F. Reports

- a. PWC Chairman Tassoni – Mr. Tassoni informed the PWC that the Economic Development Committee approved a 5 million dollar commitment to the Highway Department of host fees for the next five years (\$1 million per year). Thank you for your support and help attaining this mutual goal.
- b. County Engineer Molina – Mr. Molina thanked the PWC for all of their support with attaining the allocation of host fees. Mr. Molina confirmed that our Staff will put the money to good use for the County and restated that these funds are only allowed to be used on capital highway projects. The funds are not available for maintenance, equipment or salaries; they are only allowed to be used on capital road projects. Mr. Molina expressed his thanks the Committee for their commitment to the Highway Department.
- c. AFSCME Local 473 – Mr. Molina updated the PWC that the AFSCME Union is still in negotiations, no contract has been agreed upon to date.
- d. Perryville Road and White School Road – Mr. Molina informed the PWC that Highway Staff recently conducted traffic studies at this intersection and based on the data our Staff recommends a four-way stop with proper signage be installed in the next few weeks.



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- e. Hawks Pointe Subdivision – Mr. Molina gave details to the PWC that Highway Staff recently met with a Developer and Engineering Firm regarding a new subdivision development at the intersection of Old River Road and Roscoe Road. Highway Staff reviewed the Engineering Firm’s traffic study and requested a revision using the Winnebago County’s Policies to accommodate turn lanes on Old River Road and Roscoe Road. The Engineering Firm was following the States Policy. Highway Staff also requested that the turn lanes be in place before residents occupy the multi-family units. Further discussion followed by the PWC.
 - f. Village of Roscoe – Mr. Molina informed the PWC that the Village of Roscoe approached the Highway Department to share the cost for permanent traffic signals at Meadowsweet Ln, one of the Chicory Ridge Subdivision entrances. Currently the signals at this subdivision are on span wire and were paid for by the Developer. The County maintains the signals. Further discussion followed by the PWC.
 - g. Golf Shack LLC – Mr. Molina explained to the PWC that the County entered into an agreement with the Golf Shack in 2007 to purchase right-of-way in installments. In 2011, the Golf Shack asked for a modification to keep the flower shop open until we needed the right-of-way or the flower shop closed. The flower shop is now closed had we need to finish this payment after the October budget begins. The monies will be included in the FY2023 budget and the agreement states we are responsible to demolish the building.
 - h. Landscaper and Spraying Price Increases - Mr. Molina informed the PWC that our landscape and spraying vendors have requested an increase in payment for services due to inflation of fuel, products, etc. It is a minimal increase. This is the last year of their three-year contract.
 - i. Perryville Bike Path Extension / IL 173 & Hart Road – Mr. Molina updated the PWC that Fischer Excavating is working on the retaining walls and still needs to pave the path. Overall, the project looks good.
- G. New Business – Mr. Webster informed the PWC that the Village of Durand is intending to bring Legislation to their Village Board to allow UTV/Utility Vehicles to operate on the streets of the Village. South Street and Mulvain Street are County jurisdiction roads in the Village of Durand. In order for UTV/Utility Vehicles to operate on specific County roads in the Village of Durand, an Ordinance or resolution will need to be brought to Committee and then to the Winnebago County Board for approval. Further discussion followed by PWC.
- H. Adjourn/Recess – MR. WEBSTER MOVED TO ADJOURN. SECONDED BY MS. FELLARS. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.

Meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tracy Robinson, Administrative Assistant