

**ROAD & BRIDGE COMMITTEE**  
**October 1, 2015**

The McDonough County Road and Bridge Committee held their monthly meeting on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Law Library. Committee members present were Chairman Clarke Kelso, Dave Cortelyou, Dick Marcott, Rod McGrew, Earl Sims, Trevor Toland, Paul Trimmer, Jerry Tyson and McDonough County Board Chairman Scott Schwerer. Beth Crossett was present as recording secretary. Other persons present included: Jose Gonzolas, Michelle Langhout, Dave Cadwalader and County Engineer Tom Hickman.

Chairman Kelso called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**Review & Approve September 3, 2015 Minutes**

Member Sims moved with second by Member McGrew to approve the September 3, 2015 minutes as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

**Project Update**

Tom reported Scott has been working on the following projects:

- A. Construction on Blandinsville Bridge – Paved Bridge Deck
- B. Survey and Design Township District #1 County Aid Project #1552-51(N900 – E225)
- C. Survey and Design Hire Township County Aid Project #1545-9 (N1700 – E150)

**Resolution for Township District #1 County Aid Project #1552-51**

This culvert project is estimated at \$ 7,000.00. Member Cortelyou moved with second by Member Trimmer to pass to the full Board Resolution for Township District #1 County Aid Project #1552-51 (N900-E225). Motion carried on a voice vote.

**Resolution for Hire Township County Aid Project #1545-9**

This culvert project is estimated at \$ 18,000.00. Member Marcott moved with second by Member Cortelyou to pass to the full Board Resolution for Hire Township County Aid Project #1545-9 (N1700-E150). Motion carried on a voice vote.

**Resolution for Prairie City Township County Aid Project #1540-18**

This culvert project is estimated at \$ 3,400.00. Member McGrew moved with second by Member Trimmer to pass to the full Board Resolution for Prairie City Township County Aid Project #1540-18 (N2100-E2100). Motion carried on a voice vote.

**MFT Allotments**

Tom said that he has heard that when the funds are released it could be in 3 installments fairly close together. They have released the needy township funds. We received \$ 131,000.00 down from the \$140,000.00 last year. Currently July, August & September MFT funds are being held. Discussion was held on how statutory funds could be swept since they are designated by the statute, but the law was changed so that it may be done.

**Tennessee Blacktop Update**

Tom has met with Bob Dunn, Dunn Construction and they will be repairing six bad places with hot mix at no cost to us. The designer of the oil mixture used will be meeting with Tom tomorrow. Discussion was held on oversight of the repair and Tom was to be on hand to supervise all fixes.

### **FY 2016 Budget**

Tom stated that when he presented his budget proposal to the Finance committee, there was concern for the trend of spending more than revenue in County Highway Fund 020. Some members felt they couldn't support a budget that expense exceeded revenue by so much. Tom distributed a sheet with Fund 020 12/31 balances back to 2005. The balances have fluctuated but the past two years have had a decline in balance. He has adjusted a couple of things to have a better income to expense outcome.

### **August Work Report**

Dave Cadwalader presented the September work report.

### **Claims Review and Approval**

Member McGrew moved with second by Member Cortelyou to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Board Chairman Schwerer asked why the Hutcherson contract allowed for 125% over and questioned if all firms used the same language. Tom said that a standard State of Illinois contract is what is used.

Discussion was held on bridge replacement methods/types considering how much was spent to determine that Sheepwash bridge is financially unfeasible. With aging bridges how will they be replaced if water/flooding standards are what they are and we need to avoid spending as much as was spent to determine we could not afford to replace the Sheepwash bridge.

### **Other Business**

Tom stated that he expected striping to begin next week. They can apply the paint in temperatures as low as 40-45 degrees.

The map proposing projects were reviewed and discussed. Tom noted that the ADT numbers came from IDOT. Tom was asked to develop a list of projects in his order of priority. The list should contain: Road number, length of project (miles), ADT, amount of truck traffic, recommended practice (oil/chip, recycle, rebuild), cost per mile and total cost. The committee and Tom can then review the list and determine the projects schedule.

Member Marcott inquired if the final cost of the Blandinsville bridge was available. The final numbers are not in.

Member Trimmer moved with second by Member Tyson to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p. m.