

STEPHENSON COUNTY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
of December 9, 2011

A meeting of the Public Works Committee was held November 4, 2011 at 9:050 a.m. at the County Highway Building with the following members present:

Members present were Tom Gilmour, Alvin Wire, Jerry Clay, Ron Fluegel, and Brenda Boynton, Greg Ludwig and Al Harn.

Also present were Chris Isbell and Marsha Bratley

Absent member(s):

Guests:

A motion was made by Brenda Boynton and seconded by Al Harn to approve the agenda.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

A motion was made by Alvin Wire and seconded by Al Harn that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as read/corrected/mailed.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

A motion was made by Al Harn and seconded by Greg Ludwig that the bills in the respective funds be allowed.

\$ 39,317.22	005 County Highway
\$ 82,373.73	006 Matching
\$ 33,648.15	007 County Bridge
\$ 0.00	008 Township Bridge
\$161,249.20	009 County MFT
\$ 3,930.36	010 Township MFT
\$ 80,197.00	048 New Hwy Bldg
<u>\$ 3,378.45</u>	<u>016 Animal Control</u>
\$404,094.11	TOTAL DECEMBER CLAIMS

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

Correspondence

Chris told the committee that the he had turned in water damage costs to the insurance company. He told them the water supply line in the women's bathroom broke loose sometime over the past holiday weekend. He said he had submitted a claim which included a computer that had water in it, carpeting, floor tiles and furniture that is made with particle board and has received a check for a portion of the claim. He also stated that the Zoning and Environmental Health side was also included in the claim. Chris also told the committee that Restor X arrived within 20 minutes of the phone call and they ran dehumidifiers and fans for a week to dry everything out. He also said the flooring project

will be started next week. Chris stated the RSA had been done regarding Pearl City and Kiwanis Drive and that he has requested status regarding the 500 thousand dollar grant from the state. Chris also told the committee that the backup sewer pump has quit and it needs replaced. He said the cost would be around \$2300.00 plus installation.

Public Comments: Chris told the committee that Mr. Sheely wasn't sure if he could make today's meeting and if not he would try to get something to the committee next month. After much discussion regarding the burning/garbage ordinance, Tom Gilmore said he would bring the draft of the burning ordinance from the Planning and Development Committee and ask if Craig or Jeff would be able to attend next month's meeting.

Animal Control: Chris said the he has drafted a spay/neuter program and has given a copy to Brenda and Dr. Condy. He said that it was drafted and patterned after the state program. Chris also stated that the \$180,000 thousand that is in a CD is to be used for this program. Once the program is fully set up there will be a meeting with the veterinarians. Chris also stated that there are stipulations in the program with certain criteria that had to be met and that participants pay a co-pay. Chris stated that he will be looking at provisions for a Ferrell cat manager.

Solid Waste: Chris told the committee that the proposed ordinance changes are revised as to the registration fees for trucks as the committee requested last month. The registration fees are now set at \$200.00 for the first truck, \$150.00 for the second and third truck and \$50.00 for each truck over three. Chris said he checked with other counties regarding their fee structure and found out they don't charge because they have landfills and collect a host ~~fee~~ fee.

Proposed Ordinance Changes: Jerry Clay doesn't like the verbiage in the ordinances regarding burning landscape waste. After lengthy discussion regarding the burning ordinance Tom Gilmore said he would bring a copy of the Planning and Development Ordinance to next month's meeting. Al Harn made a motion and it was seconded by Greg Ludwig to lay over the discussion until next month's meeting. Motion passed.

RESOLUTIONS:

A Motion was made by Greg Ludwig and seconded by Al Harn to recommend approval of Resolutions HD 11-27, HD 11-28 and HD 11-29 to the full board. Resolution HD-1127 approves up to \$450,000.00 in Tax Anticipation Warrants to be issued against the Stephenson County Highway Fund, HD-11-28 approves up to \$150,000.00 in Tax Anticipation Warrants to be issued against the Stephenson County Matching Fund and HD -11-29 approves up to \$100,000.00 in Tax Anticipation Warrants to be issued against the Stephenson County Bridge Fund..

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Al Harn and seconded by Greg Ludwig to recommend approval of Resolutions HD 11-30 and HD 11-31 to the full board. Resolution HD 11-30 authorizes the transfer of funds from federal construction allotments to the Motor Fuel Tax Fund for the County Engineers Salary for Section 12-00000-00-CS and HD 11-31 appropriates funds from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund for the County Engineers Salary and expenses for Section 12-00000-00-CS.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Brenda Boynton and seconded by Al Harn to recommend approval of Resolutions HD 11-32 to the full board. This resolution awards the bidders for Section 12-00000-00-GM.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Other: Alvin Wire inquired about a plan to minimize the losses from the deteriorating roads and shoulders. Chris said they are in a plan to be done this year.

~~Greg Ludwig~~ Alvin Wire asked if Chris knew when the flashing lights are going to be installed at RT 75 and Rock City Road. Chris said that he has no answer at this time.

Tom Gilmore asked if there should be a ~~pleasure~~ fee on ~~horses non-working pleasure~~ horses, after discussing the payment of \$1200.00 to a person who is housing three horses that were taken from their owner and the committee members unanimously says no.

Old Business: Brenda asked if there were any updates on the old building and Chris said he has shown it to another prospect but hasn't heard back from any other party. There was discussion regarding the asking price of the building and:

A motion was made by Al Harn and seconded by Brenda Boynton to recommend to the full board a reduction in the listing price from \$500,000 down to \$260,000.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Executive Session: None

COMMITTEE COMMENTS: None

A motion was made by Al Harn and seconded by Ron Fluegel that the meeting adjourn/recess at 10:40 A.M.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsheila L. Bratley
Committee Secretary