

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
August 15, 2016

The meeting of the Transportation Committee of the St. Clair County Board was called to order by Chairman Vernier at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, July 11, 2016 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present

Rick Vernier, Chairman
Marty Crawford
Carol Clark
Robert Trentman
Mike O'Donnell
Roy Mosley, Jr.

Also Present

Jim Fields, County Engineer
Rich Meile, Superintendent of Maintenance
Taulby Roach, St. Clair County Transit
Joe Bustos, Belleville News Democrat

Excused

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Mr. Vernier presented the minutes from the July 11, 2016 Regular Meeting for review. Motion forwarded by Mr. O'Donnell, seconded by Mr. Trentman to approve the minutes as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Vernier asked if there were any comments on the agenda. No comments were heard.

Mr. Vernier presented a resolution authorizing an agreement with the City of O'Fallon to construct a bike trail within the existing right-of-way of the Shiloh O'Fallon Road (CH 43). Mr. Fields explained that this project will improve the existing shoulders along CH 43 known more commonly as South Lincoln Street in O'Fallon and Cross Street in Shiloh, to provide a marked bike trail from Highway 50 in O'Fallon to Frank Scott Parkway East. The Highway Department has no funds involved in the project. Mr. Fields informed the Committee that the Department has reviewed the Agreement and recommended approving the resolution. Motion forwarded by Mr. O'Donnell, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Vernier presented a resolution to appropriate funding for the relocation of the sanitary sewer facility along Frank Scott Parkway East. Mr. Fields explained that this is part of the proposed project to widen Frank Scott Parkway East. The existing sewer main along the north side adjacent to the apartment complex and proceeding easterly through the cemetery property is located within an easement outside the existing right-of-way. It is in conflict with the proposed improvements and must be relocated to allow for the proposed improvements. The estimated cost to relocate the main is \$570,000.. Mr. Fields informed the Committee that the new facility will be located within the new right-of-way but in the event that it has to be relocated due to any future expansion of CH 95, the County is obligated to pay for that relocation. He recommended approving the resolution. Motion forwarded by Ms. Clark, seconded by Mr. Trentman to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Vernier presented a resolution to approve Highway Permit #2656 authorizing the City of Belleville to work within the existing right-of-way of CH 89, North Green Mount Road. Mr. Fields informed the Committee that the City of Belleville will bore an encasement under CH 89 for the extension of the sanitary sewer facility. The Department has reviewed the plans for the works and finds them in accordance with the Department's policies. Mr. Fields recommended approving the resolution. Motion by forwarded by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Fields explained the next six (6) resolutions are all related to the proposed Front Street Project, Section 15-00370-00-RP. The first one modifies a previous resolution approved by the County Board for the Jurisdictional Transfer of Front Street from the City of East St. Louis to St. Clair County. The limits have been modified to include a portion of Missouri Avenue, from Front Street to the proposed intersection of the relocated Missouri Avenue and B Street, approximately 650 feet. This portion of Missouri Avenue will become CH 101. In addition the relocated section of Missouri Avenue being constructed as part of the ILL Route 3 extension, Trendley Avenue and a portion of 8th Street will be designated as Municipal Extensions of CH 100, Front Street from Front Street and CH 101 Missouri Avenue. These designations will fulfill the IDOT requirements on the continuity of the County Highway System. St. Clair County does not assume any maintenance responsibility of these Municipal Extension at this time. In the future if improvements are made to these roads and St. Clair County chooses to use specific funds for the improvements it may become necessary for a Jurisdictional Transfer. Mr. Fields stated that if the improvements become necessary that means that the redevelopment of the area has become reality and that the City of East St. Louis and St. Clair County will have been successful in accomplishing the goals of this Front Street Project. So he does anticipate that the extension will become part of the County Highway System. There is also a resolution designating CH 101, Missouri Avenue as a Class III Truck Route which will make it eligible for the Truck Access Route Program (TARP) Funds that are being used on this project. There is also an intergovernmental agreement between St. Clair County and St. Clair County Transit District regarding Section 15-00370-00-RP. The agreement spells out the private/public funding of the project. The agreement has been reviewed by the Highway Department and meets the requirements of the County. The final resolution authorizes the agreement between St. Clair County and Illinois Department of Transportation for the TARP funds in the amount of \$124,000, to be used as part of the construction of Section 15-00370-00-RP. Mr. Fields informed the Committee that Mr. Taulby Roach From the Transit District was available for any questions. Mr. Vernier asked about the funding. Mr. Roach explained that the private money was coming from the existing businesses in the area, Cargill, Bungee and the Casino Queen. The TARP funds were from IDOT, There are also Economic Development funds from the Federal Government through the Grants Department and the Park District has committed funds for the joint use path that will be constructed as part of the improvements. No funds from the Highway Department. Mr. Fields added that the Highway Department will be overseeing the construction of the project. Mr. Mosley stated that this project will benefit all the residents of St. Clair County. He stated that East St. Louis is excited about the future of this area and commended Mr. Taulby Roach and the St. Clair County Transit District on the efforts they have put forward in seeing this project through.

With no other questions of comments, Mr. Vernier presented a resolution for the Jurisdictional Transfer of Front Street and a portion of Missouri Avenue from the City of East St. Louis to St. Clair County. Motion forwarded by Mr. O'Donnell, seconded by Mr. Mosley to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Vernier presented a resolution establishing Trendley Avenue and a portion of 8th Street in the City of East St. Louis as a Municipal Extension of Front Street, CH 100. Motion forwarded by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Crawford to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Vernier presented a resolution establishing relocated Missouri Avenue in East St. Louis as a Municipal Extension of Missouri Avenue, CH 101. Motion forwarded by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Vernier presented a resolution establishing Missouri Avenue, CH 101 as a Class III Truck Route. Motion forwarded by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Vernier presented a resolution authorizing the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between St. Clair County and the St. Clair County Transit District regarding Section 15-00370-00-RP, Front Street. Motion forwarded by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Vernier presented a resolution a Truck Access Route Program (TARP) funding agreement between St. Clair County and the Illinois Department of Transportation for Section 15-00370-00-RP, Front Street. Motion forwarded by Mr. O'Donnell, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

With no other business to be presented, Mr. Fields asked if the Committee had any questions or comments.

None were heard.

With no further issues to discuss, a motion to adjourn by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Trentman was brought forth. All members present voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.