TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 16, 2016

The meeting of the Transportation Committee of the St. Clair County Board was called to order by Chairman Vernier at 5:31 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present	Also Present
Rick Vernier, Chairman	Jim Fields, County Engineer
Marty Crawford	Joseph Bustos, BND Reporter
Roy Mosley, Jr.	
Mike O'Donnell	
Bob Trentman	
Carol Clark	
June Chartrand	

Mr. Vernier presented the minutes from the December 14, 2015 Regular Meeting for review. Mr. Crawford pointed out that he is not listed as present for the meeting. Mr. Fields corrected the minutes to reflect that Mr. Crawford was present at the December 14, 2015 Regular Meeting. Motion by forwarded by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the minutes with the correction. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Vernier asked if there were any comments on the agenda. Mr. Fields announced that Item I, a resolution for a change order on Section 14-00000-01-GM would not be presented to the Committee for action at tonight's meeting. No other comments were heard.

Mr. Vernier presented eight (8) resolutions for action.

Item A is a resolution to award a contract for Section 15-00151.06-MS, Jefferson Road in the amount of $26,515.00 to Hanks Excavating and Landscaping, Inc.Mr. Fields described the project as a drainage improvement project that will re-establish the drainage pattern that has been altered due to mine subsidence that has been occurring in the area. The roadway profile will be raised, ditches will be re-graded and new culverts installed. Mr. Fields informed the Committee that all the bids have been reviewed. The low bid of $26,515.00 from Hank's is acceptable. Mr. Fields recommended that the award be approve. Motion by forwarded by Mr. O'Donnell, seconded by Ms. Chartrand to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Item B is a resolution to award a contract for Section 14-00256-12-CH, Scott-Troy Road in the amount of $265,485.40 to the Kilian Corporation. Mr. Fields revealed that this project will add a left turn lane at Hilltop Drive, in O'Fallon. Mr. Fields informed the Committee that the low bid is 11% above the engineer's estimate. After a review of all the bids it has been determined that the low bid of $265,485.40 is acceptable and Mr. Fields recommended that the award be approve. Motion by forwarded by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Items C, D and E are resolutions associated with Section 15-00370-00-RP, Front Street. Mr. Fields explained that the funding for the project, which is a private-public joint project, includes Economic Development Program (EDP) Grant Funds and Truck Access Route Program (TARP) Funds. These funds were secured by St. Clair County, thus making St. Clair County the lead agency for the project. The agreement with the private companies includes a stipulation that the Highway Department will maintain the roadway when the improvements are completed. To meet this stipulation it becomes necessary for a jurisdictional transfer of Front Street from the City of East St. Louis to St. Clair County. Resolution C authorizes the County Board Chairman to sign the Jurisdictional Transfer and designates Front Street as County Highway 100. Resolution D classifies County Highway 100 as a Class III Truck Route. This classification is necessary qualify for the TARP Funds. Resolution E authorizes the County Board Chairman to execute the funding agreement between St. Clair County and the Illinois Department of Transportation. Said agreement specifies the division of costs, maintenance responsibilities and other conditions with regards to Section 15-00370-00-RP, Front Street. Mr. Fields recommended that all of the resolutions be approved as presented. Motion by forwarded by Ms. Clark, seconded by Ms. Chartrand to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Item F is a resolution executing an agreement between St. Clair County and the City of Fairview Heights. Mr. Fields informed the committee that drainage from the Fox Creek Subdivision located along the west side of CH 70, Old Collinsville Road in the City of Fairview Heights outlets into the ditch along old Collinsville Road. Over the past few years, erosion in the ditch has been an issue. Fairview Heights has repaired the damage on more than one occasion. There have also been some flooding issues within the subdivision. The City has initiated a project that will hopefully solve both issues. The City has proposed to install storm sewer from the outlets of the subdivision to the creek. The agreement introduced allows the City to enter the Right-Of-Way of St. Clair County to perform the work to complete the storm sewer. It also specifies that the City will be responsible for the maintenance of the storm sewer when the project is complete. Mr. Trentman asked where this subdivision was located. Mr. Fields described the location as being north of the Frank Scott Parkway East intersection on the west side of Old Collinsville Road. The street coming out of the subdivision is Stanford Drive. Ms. Chartrand asked the estimate of cost for the work. Mr. Fields explained that he did not have that cost readily available but that the County did not have any funds involved in the project. The Highway Department has reviewed the plans and has accepted the proposed improvements as being the best solution to the issues. The City of Fairview Heights is paying 100% of the cost. This agreement just allows them to do the work within the County ROW. With no other questions, Mr. Fields recommended that the resolution be approved as presented. Motion by forwarded by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Items G and H are related to the proposed Frank Scott Parkway East widening project. Caseyville Township has an existing sanitary sewer line along the north side of Frank Scott Parkway West in conflict with the proposed improvements. Over the past few months there has been some discussions concerning the responsibility for the relocation of the facility and cost. The existing facility is located off of existing ROW but it was not clear if the Township had an easement. The States Attorney has been asked to review the issue and has informed the Highway Department that the Township's claim of a prescriptive easement is valid. It could be challenged but the outcome is not certain. This Department has negotiated an agreement that calls for St.

Clair to relocate the facility, which is common for utilities located beyond the existing ROW. The Township initially wanted the facility moved onto an easement beyond the proposed ROW. To avoid the additional cost associated with the easement we have agreed to relocate the facility within the proposed ROW and agreed that if the line need to be relocated in the future due to any additional work proposed by St. Clair County, the cost of that relocation would fall onto the County. Resolution G authorizes the County Board Chairman to execute this agreement. Resolution H authorizes the execution of an agreement between St. Clair County and Oates Associates for engineering servicesrequired to prepare plans, specifications and an estimate of cost of the work to relocate the sanitary sewer facility. The project will be designated as Section 16-00301-17-MS. Mr. Fields informed the Committee that the Department reviewed the option of adding the work to the proposed widening project but it was determined that a separate contract would be the best course of action to get the relocation completed. Oates Associates is the consultant working on the widening project. The estimated cost of the engineering services is $30,100.00. Mr. Fields recommended that the resolution be approved as presented. Motion by forwarded by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Crawford to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Fields informed the Committee that he will be away from office beginning February 22, 2016, returning on February 23, 2016. He will be attending the Transportation and Highway Engineers Conference in Champaign, Illinois.

Mr. Vernier asked how the new snow routes were working out. Mr. Fields informed the Committee that no issues seem to be coming up. Although we have not experience a significant snow event to date, it appears that the crews are completing their routes in a timely manner.

With no further issues to discuss, a motion to adjourn was introduced by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell. All members present voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.