

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 11, 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

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Mr. Vernier presented the minutes from the June 13, 2016 Regular Meeting for review. Motion by 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 approving additional funding for the Phase III Engineering Service agreement between St. Clair County and SCI Engineering for Section 10-00354-01-PV. Bunkum Road. Mr. Fields informed the Committee that the funding agreement has been reviewed by the Department and it is acceptable. The Department currently does not have the personnel required to provide adequate inspection of the project. The Department is pleased with the service provided by SCI to this point on the project and this additional funding should cover the cost for the completion of the project. Mr. Fields recommended approving the resolution. Motion by forwarded by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Trentman to approve the resolution as presented. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Fields informed the Committee that the maintenance crews will begin oil and chipping in the next couple of weeks. That work should be completed over a 3-4 week period. The supply of slag is coming to an end. We were not able to secure the amount required for the oiling program this year, so we will be using the regular limestone chips on several roads. It is unlikely that slag will be available in the future. The demand for the slag for other methods of maintenance such as the micro-surfacing and the shutdown of local steel plants has made significantly cut the supply available for oil and chipping.

Mr. Fields explained that the threat of a shutdown of projects due to the State budget crisis affected the Frank Scott Parkway East Intersections Project and the I-64 Interchange at Reider Road Project. There have not been any claims for extra payments for work involved in preparing

the construction sites for a shutdown or for the demobilization ordered by IDOT and/or the remobilization once the budget was approved, but Mr. Fields estimates that the Contractors probably lost about a week of full production and he believes eventually there will be some claims. He also explained that the completion date for the intersection project may have to be adjusted. This will cause additional problems with the temporary construction easements. Mr. Fields has discussed the issue with IDOT because, as it stands now, the County would be on the hook for the additional cost. Mr. Fields will keep the Committee updated as we progress forward.

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. O'Donnell, seconded by Mr. Mosley was brought forth. All members present voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.