TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 12, 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, September 12, 2016 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Also Present Jim Fields, County Engineer

Mr. Vernier presented the minutes from the August 15, 2016 Regular Meeting for review. Motion forwarded by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the minutes as presented. All members present voted ave.

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

Mr. Fields informed the Committee that there were no resolutions or ordinances to present to the Committee for action at tonight's meeting but that he did have a few pertinent items to discuss.

Mr. Fields announced to the Committee that a letting for Section 15-00370-00-RP, River Bridge District – Phase 1 (Front Street Project) has been scheduled for Monday, October 10, 2016 at 4:30 P.M. The project will be advertised in the IDOT Bulletin and in the Belleville News Democrat. There will be a resolution next month for some sort of action on the letting.

Mr. Fields informed the Committee that the owner of the property adjacent to the Administration Building is in the middle of rehabbing the house. The owner came into the office to discuss the property line and a tree (5.5' diameter oak) that falls on the property line. (70% County-30% Homeowner). He is seeking to put a fence up and was curious about possible options with the tree on the property line. Mr. Fields provided the following list of solutions.

- Remove the tree (estimated cost as reported from the property owner \$4500.00)
- Deed over about 5 feet of property to the homeowner)

The property line is about 10 feet from the edge of the parking lot. The back of the existing house is approximately 7 feet from the property line. Mr. O'Donnell stated that he thought the price to remove the tree was high. Mr. Fields reiterated that the price was provided by the property owner who had a price for removal quoted recently when he had some limbs removed. Mr. Fields said he could get a price from the contractor that does some tree removal when the County needs something removed from the ROW. Mr. Vernier asked if City zoning allowed a

fence to be put on the property line. Mr. Fields said he would discuss that with the property owner. More information will be both forth at the next meeting.

The next item to discuss was the purchase of new trucks for maintenance. Mr. Fields said that the State contracts will be renewed in January for 2017 vehicles. Mr. Fields has contacted the current owner of the 2016 contract to discuss the purchase of a vehicle before the end of the year. The dealer will explore what is available and get back with information.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.