TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
Minutes Monday February 10, 2025
4:00 PM Highway Office
1415 North Belt West
Conference Room

Members in Attendance
Rich Vernier, Chairperson
Marty Crawford, Asst. Chairperson
Robert Allen
Michael O'Donnell
Robert Trentman
Harry Hollingsworth
Jana Moll

Guest
Norm Etling, County Engineer
James Harms, Asst. County Engineer
Michael Suarez, Supervisor Road & Bridges
Cheri Weaver, Road & Bridges

The Chairperson called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Crawford made a motion seconded by Mr. Allen to approval of minutes from the 1-13-2025 meeting. All members present voted aye.

Introductions made for the new committee member Jana Moll.

Comments on the agenda. Consideration of modifying agenda to include Resolution E. All members present voted aye.

The Chairperson asked if there were any comments from the audience. None were presented.

Resolutions:

A) Resolution authorizing an agreement for professional services to Barber Murphy Group for Negotiation and Relocation Services and an agreement to Volkert Inc for Negotiation and Relocation Services; Section 24-00000-02-LA. Mr. Crawford made a motion seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to approve. All members voted aye.

B) Resolution authorizing an agreement for professional services to Volkert Inc. for appraisal and review appraisal services and CBRE Inc for appraisal and review appraisal services; Section 24-00000-03-LA. Mr. Allen made a motion seconded by Ms. Moll to approve. All members voted aye.

C) Resolution authorizing additional funding for the extension of Frank Scott Parkway to Oates and Associates in the amount of $15,900.00; Section #95-00301-03-PV. Mr. Crawford made a motion seconded by Mr. Hollingsworth to approve. All members voted aye.

D) Resolution authorizing an agreement with Bi-State Development Agency for bridge repair work at 79th Street in East St. Louis. Mr. Crawford made a motion seconded by Mr. Allen to approve. All members voted aye.

E) Resolution authorizing the execution of a Joint Agreement with IDOT for improvements to Sullivan Drive from Huntwood to IL 161; Section 22-00268-07-RS. Mr. Crawford made a motion seconded by Mr. Allen to approve. All members voted aye.

Engineer's Report

Received IDOT approval of the Pavement Preservation Plan
Submitted grant application to East West Gateway for improvements to Ashland Avenue and Hartman Lane.
F 250 4X4 to be picked up 2-11-2025
Met with Monica to go over projects for audit.
Met with Anne and attorney on subdivision issue(s)
Review 3 permits for AT&T
Provided copies of all permit apps to work on ROW to attorney for review and possible modifications.
Frank Scott Parkway Extension started with tree removal.
Work on transition of information from staff scheduled to retire 2-7-2025.
Baldwin Road Drainage Improvement to start next week.
Larger gas meter ordered from Ameren.
Discussion with Ameren and consultant on road repairs
Met with proposed developers of property off Old Collinsville Road
Responded to questions about solar farm in floodplain
Seeking permission to repair the truck after adjuster visit to shop.
Intersection of Old Collinsville and Ashland letting planned in April.
Mr. Allen made a motion seconded by Mr. Hollingsworth to approve. All members voted aye.

Old Business: Mr. Suarez told the committee that they are using the Hot Box every day and it is very efficient. He also stated that they could use another Hot Box.
Mr. Crawford asked if the new hires have gone to flagger class. Mr. Suarez said not at this time. When patching they are moving at such a fast pace, they direct traffic.

The Chairperson asked if there was any New Business: None presented.

ACTION ITEM

Mr. Crawford made a motion seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Crawford made a motion seconded by Mr. Hollingsworth to approve what was discussed in the Executive Session. All members voted aye.

Adjournment

Mr. Crawford made a motion seconded by Mr. Allen to adjourn. All members voted aye.

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.