

# Kane County

Government Center 719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A Geneva, IL 60134

# **KC Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes**

TEPE, Daugherty, Berman, Iqbal, Kious, Lenert, Roth, ex-officios Williams (County Development Chair) and Pierog (County Chair)

**Tuesday, July 15, 2025** 

9:00 AM

**County Board Room** 

#### 1. Call To Order

Chairman Tepe called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

#### 2. Roll Call

(Madam Chairman Pierog arrived remotely at 9:02 a.m.)

PRESENT

Board Member Vern Tepe
Board Member Mo Iqbal
Board Member Chris Kious
Board Member Bill Lenert
Board Member Bill Roth

REMOTE

Ex-Officio (County Development Chair) Rick Williams
Ex-Officio County Board Chair Corinne M. Pierog

ABSENT

Board Member Gary Daugherty
Board Member Dale Berman

Also present: Co. Bd. Members Allan\*, Bates\*, Juby\*, Linder, Molina\*; KDOT Dir. Zakosek & staff Rickert, Young, Way, Files, Hohertz, Nika, Coffinbargar, O'Connell, Lichtenberger; ASAs Ford, Jaeger, Weldon; ITD staff Peters; and members of the press and public.

# 3. Remote Attendance Requests

Chairman Tepe announced the remote attendance requests for today's meeting. He asked if there were any objections to Committee Ex-Officio Williams attending today's meeting remotely. There were no objections.

#### 4. Approval of Minutes: June 17, 2025

RESULT: APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

MOVER: Chris Kious

#### 5. Public Comment

None.

#### 6. Finance

#### A. Monthly Finance Reports

KDOT CFO Young stated the monthly financial reports were on file. She explained that the Kane County Division of Transportation's (KDOT) FY2026 Budget was submitted and that all financial information will be shared at the August Transportation Committee meeting. Referencing the Fund Status Report, she stated that the contractual obligations are the existing purchase order balances. Additionally, she explained that the ending fund balance does not include future maintenance commitments that have been agreed upon and not yet in purchase orders. She hopes to include this information in the future.

**B.** Amending Resolution No. 24-336 - Approving an Agreement with V3 Construction, Ltd. of Woodridge, Illinois for On-Call Environmental Engineering Services, Kane County Section No. 24-00480-02-SM

KDOT CFO Young introduced this resolution. She explained that this amendment will correctly show a firm name within the resolution approving on-call Phase III Environmental Services with V3 Construction, Inc.

#### **KC Executive Committee**

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Bill Lenert

**AYE:** Vern Tepe, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick

Williams

**ABSENT:** Gary Daugherty, and Dale Berman

C. Amending Resolution 25-210 - Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Phase I Engineering Services Agreement with Crawford, Murphy, and Tilly, Inc. of Aurora, Illinois for Dauberman Road - Meredith Road Realignment, Kane County Section No. 20-00526-00-ES

KDOT CFO Young introduced this resolution. She explained that this amendment would correctly state the location of the Dauberman Road/Meredith Road Realignment Project.

**KC Executive Committee** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Lenert SECONDER: Bill Roth

**AYE:** Vern Tepe, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick

Williams

**ABSENT:** Gary Daugherty, and Dale Berman

#### 7. Maintenance

# A. Maintenance Report

KDOT Maintenance Supt. Way stated the monthly report was on file. He noted that the Maintenance Division has remained busy with summer activities, such as beginning the second mow of right-of-ways and repairing guardrails. He mentioned that he brought one of the new 2025 Kenworth plow trucks to the Kane County Government Center and invited all to come look at it after the meeting. He explained that all the new trucks will have numerous safety features, such as a two-camera system and green strobe lights.

# B. Approving Adopt-A-Highway Applicants

KDOT Maintenance Supt. Way introduced this resolution. He stated that the Adopt-a-Highway Program has four renewal applications and no new applicants.

**KC Executive Committee** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Chris Kious

**AYE:** Vern Tepe, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick

Williams

**ABSENT:** Gary Daugherty, and Dale Berman

# 8. Planning & Programming

# A. Planning & Programming Report

KDOT Chief of Planning and Programming Files stated the monthly report was on file. She announced that the Kane County Impact Fee Program will be begin its update. The Advisory Committee will have a series of five meetings beginning at the end of July 2025.

# 9. Permitting

#### **A.** Permitting Report

KDOT Chief of Permitting Hohertz stated the monthly report was on file. She reviewed the current list of permitting, access considerations, and agreement activities.

**B.** Initial Consideration of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Between the County of Kane and the Village of Montgomery for Access to Orchard Road Between Jericho Road and US Route 30

KDOT Chief of Permitting Hohertz introduced the initial consideration of the intergovernmental agreement (IGA) between the County of Kane and the Village of Montgomery for Access to Orchard Road between Jericho Road and U.S. Route 30. She provided a map depicting the proposed access road to Orchard Road. She explained that in the near future, Montgomery plans to annex property along the Orchard Road corridor between Jericho Road and U.S. Route 30. She stated that in order to facilitate good land planning and to establish workable major access points in advance of land development, the Kane County Division of Transportation (KDOT) staff and Village of Montgomery staff have begun working on an access IGA. She noted that the attached draft IGA that was prepared is consistent with the concept that was presented at the February 2025 Transportation Committee meeting. Hohertz addressed questions and

comments from the Committee.

KDOT Deputy Dir. Rickert stated that these IGAs are the way that KDOT addresses limited access freeways. He explained that in accordance with State law and County policy, these IGAs are met with various standards and criteria. He noted that these projects require traffic signals. He explained that there will be a number of improvements that will need to be made that are in accordance with the standards that the County Board adopted for access regulations. He stated that KDOT anticipates the Committee's approval of the IGA at next month's Transportation Committee meeting. Rickert addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

# 10. Traffic Operations

A. Traffic Operations Report

KDOT Asst. Dir. Nika stated the monthly report was on file. He explained that staff has fielded a number of constituent comments requesting traffic signal modifications throughout the County. He stated that one example of a needed modification is at the Dunham Road and Army Trail Road. He explained that the issue is longer back-ups on Dunham Road. KDOT did their best to balance the volume demands on Dunham Road. Due to these changes, KDOT has observed some improvements from the prior condition.

# 11. Project Implementation

A. Project Implementation Report

KDOT Asst. Dir. Coffinbargar stated that the monthly report was on file. He presented numerous photographs depicting the construction projects occurring around Kane County.

B. Approving a Supplemental Appropriation for Plank Road Highway Safety Improvement Project from Engel Road to Waughon Road, Kane County Section No. 19-00524-00-SP

KDOT Asst. Dir. Coffinbargar introduced this resolution. He explained that this resolution pertains to an Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) contract and that bids were opened in November 2023. He noted that this project has been constructed. However, KDOT found out during construction that there was an underestimation for the plan quantity calculation for earth excavation, which resulted in the contractor hauling off more dirt than anticipated. After looking over this contract, KDOT staff has determined that the original appropriation request for KDOT's local share was underestimated. Coffinbargar explained that he calculated KDOT's safety funds at a 90/10 split. However, the accepted lowest bid was above the 90/10 spilt. Coffinbargar stated that the original appropriation for the local share was underestimated by \$147K. He explained that the extra cost was offset by quantity reductions of other pay items. The extra cost equated to \$194,951.12. Since IDOT has yet to close out this contract, KDOT is proposing a \$20K contingency be added to the appropriation amount. Therefore, KDOT staff recommended approval of an additional appropriation request of \$147,464.52, plus \$194,951.12 and \$20K for a total of

\$362,415.64. Coffinbargar and KDOT CFO Young addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

**KC** Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Chris Kious

AYE: Vern Tepe, Mo Igbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick

Williams

**ABSENT:** Gary Daugherty, and Dale Berman

# 12. Reports Placed On File

RESULT: APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

MOVER: Bill Roth

#### 13. Executive Session

The Transportation Committee entered into an Executive Session at 9:22 a.m. to discuss the release of closed session minutes and land acquisition on a motion made by Roth, Lenert seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

(Madam Chairman Pierog left at 9:21 a.m.)

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Bill Lenert

AYE: Vern Tepe, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick

Williams

**ABSENT:** Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, and Corinne M. Pierog

- A. Release of Closed Session Minutes
- B. Land Acquisition

# 14. Open Session

The Committee returned to Open Session at 9:39 a.m. on a motion made by Roth, Kious seconded. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

RESULT: APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Chris Kious

#### A. Vote on Release of Closed Session Minutes

Chairman Tepe asked for a motion and a second to approve the release of closed session minutes as recommended by the State's Attorney's Office (SAO) and as outlined in Exhibit A.

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Bill Lenert

AYE: Vern Tepe, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick

Williams

**ABSENT:** Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, and Corinne M. Pierog

B. Resolution: Approving Acquisition of Real Property for Randall Road at Big Timber Road, Kane County Section No. 19-00369-01-CH, Parcel No. 0004 & 0004TE (not included)

**KC Executive Committee** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Chris Kious SECONDER: Bill Roth

AYE: Vern Tepe, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick

Williams

**ABSENT:** Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, and Corinne M. Pierog

C. Resolution: Approving Acquisition of Real Property Easements for Kirk Road Over Union Pacific Railroad Company (UPRR) Tracks, Geneva, Illinois, Kane County Section No. 12-00192-04-BR, Parcel No. 0004PE & 0004TE (not included)

KC Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Bill Lenert

AYE: Vern Tepe, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick

Williams

**ABSENT:** Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, and Corinne M. Pierog

#### 15. New Business

Chairman Tepe stated that at next month's Committee meeting the FY2026 Budget will be discussed. He recommended that the Transportation Committee and staff listen to the Finance Committee meeting set for Wednesday, July 23, 2025 in preparation.

# 16. Adjournment

RESULT: APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Bill Lenert

This meeting was adjourned at 9:42 AM.

Savannah Zgobica Sr. Recording Secretary