

# Kane County

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# **KC Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes**

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

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

9:00 AM

**County Board Room** 

#### 1. Call To Order

Chairman Tepe called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

#### 2. Roll Call

PRESENT

Board Member Vern Tepe
Board Member Dale Berman
Board Member Mo Iqbal
Board Member Chris Kious
Board Member Bill Lenert
Board Member Bill Roth
Ex-Officio (County Development Chair) Rick Williams

REMOTE

Board Member Gary Daugherty

Ex-Officio County Board Chair Corinne M. Pierog

Also present: Co. Bd. Members Bates\*, Gripe, Juby\*, Linder, Molina\*, Penesis\*; KDOT Dir. Zakosek & staff Rickert, Way, O'Connell, Files, Coffinbargar, Young, Nika, Hohertz, Jaltuch, Weesner, Lichtenberger; ITD staff Kash; SAO Chief of Civil Frank\* & staff Weldon; and members of the press and public including KDOT Atty. Pat Jaeger.

#### 3. Remote Attendance Requests

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

(Committee Ex-Officio Williams arrived in-person at 9:01 a.m.)

4. Approval of Minutes: April 15, 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. Now that the budget software is open, she explained that the Kane County Division of Transportation (KDOT) will begin inputting their FY2026 budget information.

#### B. FY2026 Budget Update

KDOT Deputy Dir. Rickert introduced the FY2026 Budget Update. He summarized the Kane County Division of Transportation's (KDOT) Budget Calendar. He reviewed the Guiding Principles of the FY2026 Budget, such as KDOT's Mission Statement and goals. He listed the KDOT's Guiding Documents that carry over into the FY2026 Budget, such as the FY2025 Budget, the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan. Rickert shared some general information regarding the budget. He noted that KDOT does not use any of the County's General Fund revenue and that the property tax levy was not increased. Rickert spoke on KDOT's total personnel. He mentioned that approximately 85% of the budget is allocated to projects. There is about 150 projects that are currently being worked on and have financial obligations. Many of these projects are obligations or required to complete due to final invoicing, safety, maintenance, agreements, and federal funding commitments. Rickert shared the nine Transportation funds that KDOT oversees, such as the County Highway, Motor Fuel Tax, and impact fees. Rickert addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued. (Committee Member Igbal arrived in-person at 9:08 a.m.)

#### 7. Maintenance

#### A. Maintenance Report

KDOT Maintenance Supt. Way stated the monthly report was on file. He explained that KDOT Maintenance staff will begin to mow the County's right-of-ways. Historically, they have already started mowing. However, due to dry conditions, this has been moved back until June 1, 2025. Way explained that this will be the second year of a specific mowing style. He summarized the mowing process. He noted that this has been a cost savings to the County.

#### **B.** Approving Adopt-A-Highway Applicants

**KC** Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Chris Kious

**AYE:** Vern Tepe, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious,

Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick Williams

**ABSENT:** Corinne M. Pierog

C. Approving 2026 Purchase of Ice Control Salt for the Kane County Division of Transportation and for Participating Governmental Agencies (BID# 25-020-TK) KDOT Maintenance Supt. Way introduced this resolution. He provided additional information. Way 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 Lenert SECONDER: Chris Kious

**AYE:** Vern Tepe, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious,

Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick Williams

**ABSENT:** Corinne M. Pierog

#### 8. Planning & Programming

#### A. Planning & Programming Report

KDOT Chief of Planning and Programming Files stated the monthly report was on file. She handed out the most recent Kane Kendall Council of Mayors Newsletter that highlights different federal and state funding opportunities for transportation and regional planning efforts. She spoke on the Impact Fee Program and the fees collected for the second quarter. She explained the difference in impact fee collections from the three County service areas: North, Central, and South. Files spoke on the Ride in Kane Program. Currently, there are 9,731 registered riders. In April 2025, 5,281 rides were provided. Files explained that staff has been working with the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) on regional efforts that will prepare Kane County to be eligible for federal funding.

#### B. Impact Fee Program Overview

KDOT Chief of Planning and Programming Files introduced the Impact Fee Program Overview. She explained that this program was established in 2004 and is governed by Illinois State Statute, 605 ILCS 5/5-901 et seq. This plan ensures new development helps fund infrastructure needs driven by growth. The collected fees can only be utilized for capacity improvements. Files reviewed the importance of the Impact Fee Program, such as the fees serving as a match to leverage state and federal transportation funding, fees being critical for delivering capital projects, and fees to help reduce the burden on property taxes. She spoke on the Fee Schedule and Comprehensive Road Improvement Plan (CRIP). She explained that the County's ordinance outlines the fee calculation process. Kane County is divided into the three service areas: North, Central, and South, to reflect the local infrastructure needs. Files

explained that the fees are proposed on the land uses and traffic that is generated by new development. She provided additional information on impact fee calculations. She spoke on the CRIP schedule from 2022-2027. She listed the numerous discounts one can receive for the Impact Fee Program, such as demolition and road improvements. Files spoke on the Impact Fee Advisory Committee that oversees the program, process, and provides recommendations to the County Board. She reviewed the Impact Fee Program Update Process. She explained that the update is required to be done every five years and will take about 20 months to complete.

C. Approving an Agreement with Parametrix, Inc. of Park Ridge, Illinois to Update the Kane County Road Improvement Impact Fee Ordinance and its Comprehensive Road Improvement Plan, Kane County Section No. 25-00580-00-ES

KDOT Chief of Planning and Programming Files introduced this resolution. Files addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Much discussion ensued.

#### **KC** Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Dale Berman SECONDER: Chris Kious

**AYE:** Vern Tepe, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious,

Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick Williams

**ABSENT:** Corinne M. Pierog

**D.** Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Transportation Planning Activities

KDOT Chief of Planning and Programming Files introduced this resolution. She provided additional information.

#### KC Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Bill Lenert

AYE: Vern Tepe, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious,

Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick Williams

**ABSENT:** Corinne M. Pierog

#### 9. Permitting

**A.** Permitting Report

KDOT Hohertz stated the monthly report was on file. No additional report was made.

B. Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the County of Kane and the Village of Algonquin for Stormwater Management Basin Alteration and Maintenance

KC Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Chris Kious
SECONDER: Rick Williams

AYE: Vern Tepe, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious,

Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick Williams

**ABSENT:** Corinne M. Pierog

**C.** Approving a Temporary Right-In/Right-Out Construction Access to Kirk Road in the City of Geneva

**KC Executive Committee** 

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Roth
SECONDER: Dale Berman

AYE: Vern Tepe, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious,

Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick Williams

**ABSENT:** Corinne M. Pierog

D. Randall Road (North of Miller Road), Village of Carpentersville Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Amendment Concept

KDOT Chief of Permitting Hohertz introduced the Randall Road (North of Miller Road), Village of Carpentersville Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Amendment Concept. She stated that there is an existing right-in on the west side of Randall Road. She explained that the Village of Carpentersville requested of Kane County to look at adding a right-out. Currently, there is existing pavement for the right-in into the established development, which is north of Miller Road. Since this is a limited access freeway, KDOT has requested the Committee's feedback to proceed with the concept.

KDOT Deputy Dir. Rickert explained that the County has an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Carpentersville regarding access at this location that was approved over a decade ago. However, past County Board members discouraged right-in/right-out access points. Rickert explained that over time staff has recommended the use of right-in/right-out access points if appropriate spacing is met. At this site, the right-out would meet the spacing requirements in the regulations that were adopted by the County Board. Now, the developer and property owners are hoping to proceed forward. Rickert stated that consensus would be needed from the County Board to proceed with the amendment to the IGA concept. Rickert and Hohertz addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Much discussion ensued.

The Committee provided consensus to allow KDOT staff to develop the right-out concept and develop a resolution to be presented to the Transportation Committee at a later meeting.

#### 10. Traffic Operations

## A. Traffic Operations Report

KDOT Weesner stated the monthly report was on file. He mentioned that staff is proceeding with upgrades, such as lighting. He stated that about 98% of the County's streetlights have been converted to light-emitting diode (LED). Additionally, seven arterial cameras have been replaced to monitor operations and conditions on the roadways. Weesner explained that there is a project under design to provide a redundant connection into the arterial operations center. This will help ensure KDOT is able to monitor and change traffic signals.

# 11. Project Implementation

#### A. Project Implementation Report

KDOT Chief of Design O'Connell stated the monthly report was on file. She mentioned that a public meeting will be held for the Galligan Road - Freeman Road to Binnie Road Project on June 24, 2025. Further details will be provided at next month's Committee meeting. O'Connell provided several photographs depicting the construction around the County. O'Connell addressed questions and comments from the Committee.

B. 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 Chief of Design O'Connell introduced this resolution. She provided additional information.

#### KC Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Bill Lenert

**AYE:** Vern Tepe, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious,

Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick Williams

**ABSENT:** Corinne M. Pierog

C. Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Phase I Engineering Services Agreement with Baxter & Woodman, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois for Galligan Road from Freeman Road to Binnie Road, Kane County Section No. 21-00532-00-CH

KDOT Chief of Design O'Connell provided additional information on this resolution. O'Connell addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

#### **KC Executive Committee**

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**TO:** KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Chris Kious SECONDER: Bill Lenert

**AYE:** Vern Tepe, Gary Daugherty, Mo Igbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert,

Bill Roth, and Rick Williams

**ABSENT:** Corinne M. Pierog

**AWAY:** Dale Berman

- D. Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with Wight and Company of Darien, Illinois for Phase III Construction Engineering Services for the Dauberman Road Extension, Kane County Section No. 15-00277-01-BR KDOT Chief of Design O'Connell pulled this resolution from today's agenda. No
  - KDOT Chief of Design O'Connell pulled this resolution from today's agenda. No vote was taken.
- E. Approving a Contract for Construction with Curran Contracting Company of Crystal Lake, Illinois for 2025 Kane County Resurfacing #2 Project, Kane County Section No. 24-00576-01-RS

KDOT Chief of Design O'Connell introduced this resolution. KDOT Dir. Zakosek and KDOT Deputy Dir. Rickert 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, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious,

Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Rick Williams

**ABSENT:** Corinne M. Pierog

KDOT Asst. Dir. Coffinbargar announced that the Longmeadow Parkway Bridge Corridor was awarded the Chicago Chapter of the Construction Management Association of America Infrastructure Award for Projects less than \$25M.

## 12. Reports Placed On File

RESULT: APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

**MOVER:** Bill Roth

#### 13. Executive Session (if needed)

None.

#### 14. New Business

County Board Member Gripe stated that the General Assembly is putting through a new sales tax proposal for the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) that will increase and place new taxes on streaming services, ride-share services, gym memberships, barber shops, beauty salons, car washes, car repairs, plumbing, electrical, other repair services, as well as lawn care and landscaping services. He noted that this will be voted on at the end of May 2025. He explained that those who do not want additional taxes placed on numerous services to bail out the RTA funding, to reach out to representatives and/or senators.

# 15. Adjournment

RESULT: APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

MOVER: Bill Roth
SECONDER: Dale Berman

This meeting was adjourned at 9:53 AM.

Savannah Zgobica Sr. Recording Secretary