

Kane County

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KC Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

DAVOUST, Daugherty, Berman, Iqbal, Kious, Lenert, Roth, & ex-officios Ford (County Development Chair) & Pierog (County Chair) and Tepe (County Vice Chair)

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

9:00 AM

County Board Room

1. Call To Order

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

2. Roll Call

PRESENT

Board Member Mark Davoust
Board Member Dale Berman
Board Member Chris Kious
Board Member Bill Lenert
Board Member Bill Roth
Ex-Officio County Board Vice Chair Vern Tepe

REMOTE

Board Member Gary Daugherty
Board Member Mo Iqbal
Board Member Ron Ford

ABSENT

Ex-Officio County Board Chair Corinne M. Pierog

Also present: Co. Bd. Members Allan*, Juby*, Kenyon, Molina*; KDOT Dir. Schoedel & staff Rickert, Coffinbargar, Forbes, Hohertz, Nika, O'Connell, Vanvooren, Way, Zakosek; Spec. ASA Shepro*; Auditor Wegman; ITD staff Peters; and members of the press and public including KDOT Atty. Jaeger.

3. Remote Attendance Requests

Chairman Davoust announced the remote attendance requests for today's meeting. He asked the Committee if there were any objections to Committee Member Daugherty, lqbal, and ex-officio Ford attending today's meeting remotely. There were no objections.

4. Approval of Minutes: January 16, 2024

RESULT: APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

MOVER: Chris Kious

5. Public Comment (Agenda Items)

None.

6. Finance

A. January Transportation Committee Finance Reports

KDOT CFO Vanvooren stated the monthly financial reports were on file. He reported that when the County receives the \$17.5M grant from the State of Illinois, it will be placed in a separate escrow account and will earn interest until the bonds are called on December 15, 2028. Vanvooren addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

B. Amending Resolution No. 23-538 - Approving a Phase III Construction Engineering Services Agreement with Ciorba Group, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois, for the Plank Road Highway Safety Improvement Project from Engel Road to Waughon Road, Kane County, Section No. 19-00524-00-SP

KC Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Chris Kious

AYE: Mark Davoust, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris

Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Ron Ford

ABSENT: Corinne M. Pierog

C. Approving a Supplemental Appropriation for Anderson Road Extension, Kane County, Section No. 01-00274-00-BR

KC Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Lenert SECONDER: Bill Roth

AYE: Mark Davoust, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris

Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Ron Ford

ABSENT: Corinne M. Pierog

7. Maintenance

A. Maintenance Report

KDOT staff Way stated the monthly Maintenance Report was on file. He reported that as of February 12, 2024, KDOT has had 24 service calls. The estimated salt usage of the season is 5,200 tons. This time, last year, KDOT served the community 21 times and used approximately 5,000 tons of salt.

B. Approving Adopt-A-Highway Applicants

KC Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Chris Kious SECONDER: Dale Berman

AYE: Mark Davoust, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert,

Bill Roth, and Ron Ford

ABSENT: Corinne M. Pierog

ABSTAIN: Gary Daugherty

C. Approving Purchase of Three (3) 2025 Tandem Axle Truck Cab and Chassis for the Kane County Division of Transportation

KDOT staff Way provided additional information on this resolution. Way addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued on the availability of trucks.

KC Administration Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: KC Administration Committee

MOVER: Bill Lenert
SECONDER: Dale Berman

AYE: Mark Davoust, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris

Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Ron Ford

ABSENT: Corinne M. Pierog

8. Planning & Programming

A. Planning & Programming Report

KDOT staff Forbes stated the monthly Planning and Programming Report was on file. She reported that Kane County was the recipient of \$25M in Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) funding for the Randall at Hopps corridor intersection improvement and grade separation project. She thanked staff for their diligent work on qualifying for this grant. KDOT has tried three separate times to receive this grant. Forbes noted that Kane County was the only one selected out of Illinois and was one out of 28 in the country. Additionally, KDOT is applying for funding for the grade separation aspect of the project. Forbes stated that the 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) document will be presented to the Committee next month. Lastly, the Ride in Kane program continues to grow. Forbes explained that staff attended the Veteran's Resource Fair and Town Hall on February 2, 2024. At the event, they were able to share information about TIP. Forbes shared photographs of the Randall Road and Hopps Road Grade Separation and Intersection Improvement project. She spoke on the proposed California Northern Railroad (CNRR) Grade Separation. She reviewed the Randall Road and Hopps Road intersection improvement plan. Forbes listed several facts about the Randall Road and Hopps Road project. Forbes and KDOT staff O'Connell addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued. The anticipated construction start date is September 2026. It will be a three-season long construction project. Further discussion ensued.

Forbes spoke on the Ride in Kane Program. She noted that this program is a partnership with PACE. PACE provides the operational aspect of the program. while Kane County provides the administrative side. Forbes explained that the County has what she called a sponsor-model, where the County applies for federal funding to provide a subsidy to all their sponsors, such as townships. The County's sponsors agree to set aside funding each year to provide a local match to federal funds received by the County and gets to choose the type and frequency of rides provided. Forbes explained the Ride in Kane agreement with PACE Suburban Bus. PACE has requested that counties involved with them take over all administrative tasks. They asked Kane County to pay PACE directly for 100% of sponsor's local match to federal funds. If this is agreed upon, Kane County would bill the sponsors. For the billing process, KDOT needs to acquire a new setup within the accounting system, staff dedicated to accounts receivable and all financial matters. Additionally, this would require KDOT to request a budget adjustment for additional funding of \$2.2M. KDOT Deputy Dir. Rickert and Forbes addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued. The Committee requested more information from PACE on this matter before making a decision.

B. Approving a Software and Implementation Services Contract with OpenGov, Inc., of San Francisco, California

KC Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Lenert
SECONDER: Dale Berman

AYE: Mark Davoust, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Igbal, Chris

Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Ron Ford

ABSENT: Corinne M. Pierog

9. Permitting

A. Permitting Report

KDOT staff Hohertz stated the monthly Permitting Report was on file. She advised the Committee on a task that the KDOT Permitting Department is involved in that many do not know of. She reported that Kane County owns several underground assets/utilities, such as storm sewer, fiber optic, and electrical cables. Through the County's membership with the Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators (J.U.L.I.E.), these items can be located. Currently, KDOT has one staff member that is available 24/7 to respond to excavation tickets. When an excavator wants to dig into the ground, they must know what lies underneath. When the tickets are submitted, the staff member has 24-hours to respond with the location of Kane County's underground property. Hohertz shared exhibits of different areas where the staff member would need to access before excavation occurs. Hohertz addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

10. Traffic Operations

A. Traffic Operations Report

KDOT staff Nika stated the monthly Traffic Operations Report was on file. He reported that KDOT's Chief of Traffic Operations, Mike Zulkowski, has resigned. KDOT is seeking to hire a Traffic Engineer.

11. Project Implementation

A. Project Implementation Report

KDOT staff O'Connell stated the monthly Project Implementation Report was on file. She reported that the KDOT's Design Team completed the final Longmeadow Parkway paving contract with a bid opening starting on March 5, 2024. Additionally, they completed the pavement resurfacing contract for the advertising for a phase one engineering designer for Randall Road and U.S. 20 interchange. Forbes and KDOT staff Zakosek addressed questions and comments from the Committee.

B. Approving a Contract for Construction with Martam Construction, Inc. of Elgin, Illinois, for the Jericho Road Culvert Replacement Project, Kane County, Section No. 22-00551-00-DR

KC Executive Committee

RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE

TO: KC Executive Committee

MOVER: Bill Lenert SECONDER: Ron Ford

AYE: Mark Davoust, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Igbal, Chris

Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Ron Ford

ABSENT: Corinne M. Pierog

12. Reports Placed On File

RESULT: APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

MOVER: Chris Kious

13. Executive Session (If Needed)

None.

14. New Business

Committee Member Kious spoke on his excitement on the completion of the last section of the Longmeadow Parkway project. He asked how to address a possible celebration of the completion of this project. Kious shared his enthusiasm about the new bicycle path. He believes it is important to involve County running/bicycling groups in the celebration.

15. Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)

None.

16. Adjournment

RESULT: APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

MOVER: Bill Roth SECONDER: Bill Lenert

This meeting was adjourned at 9:50 AM.

Savannah Valdez Sr. Recording Secretary