

Kane County

# 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, November 21, 2023	9:00 AM	County Board Room
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# 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 Mo Iqbal Board Member Chris Kious Board Member Bill Lenert Board Member Bill Roth Board Member Ron Ford Ex-Officio County Board Vice Chair Vern Tepe
REMOTE	Board Member Gary Daugherty
ABSENT	Ex-Officio County Board Chair Corinne M. Pierog

Also present: Co. Bd. members Allan\*, Juby\*, Kenyon, Molina\*, Linder; KDOT Dir. Schoedel & staff Rickert, Coffinbargar, Edwards, Forbes, Hohertz, Nika, O'Connell, Vanvooren, Way, Zakosek, Zulkowski; Spec. ASA Shepro; ITD staff Peters; KDOT Atty. Jaegar; and members of the press and public including City of Geneva Mayor Burns and Dundee Township Supervisor Arin Thrower.

# 3. Remote Attendance Requests

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

# 4. Approval of Minutes: October 17, 2023

RESULT:	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
MOVER:	Chris Kious

# 5. Public Comment (Agenda Items)

Dundee Township Supervisor, Arin Thrower, shared her concerns and suggestions for the Ride in Kane Transit Program. Dundee Township is responsible to enroll residents into the program and support it financially. Over the last five years, Dundee Township has averaged \$50K to\$75K annually for the program. Recently, the cost of the program has tripled. Thrower stated that \$15K per month is not sustainable for Dundee Township to participate in the transit program. While the cost is increasing, service level and customer care has decreased. Thrower listed the numerous occurrences. She has received resident's calls sharing their frustrations with the program. She noted that Dundee is not the only township and municipality having these issues. Many representatives have met with Pace Bus to come up with solutions. They believe a coordinated system would be beneficial to the residents. Pace Bus is in support of this idea as it would streamline their back end processes and provide access for seniors and those with disabilities across the entire County. Thrower stated Lake and McHenry Counties already offer this borderless Countywide para-transit service. She urged Kane County to offer the same. She asked the Transportation Committee, County Board, and Madam Chairman to establish Kane County as the lead provider and to fund this program in it's entirety. In the meantime, Thrower stated she would continue looking into local funding solutions to ease the financial burden that has been placed on Dundee Township.

# 6. Finance

**A.** October Transportation Committee Finance Reports

KDOT CFO Vanvooren stated the monthly financial reports were on file. No additional report was made.

#### 7. Maintenance

**A.** Maintenance Report

KDOT staff Way stated the monthly Maintenance Report was on file. No additional report was made.

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

KDOT staff Way stated there is one new applicant and one renewal for the Adopt-A-Highway program.

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Bill Roth
AYE:	Mark Davoust, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Ron Ford
NAY:	Gary Daugherty
ABSENT:	Corinne M. Pierog

**C.** Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Kane County Township Highway Road Districts to Create the Township Road District Alliance of Kane County

KDOT staff Way provided additional information on this resolution.

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO: MOVER: SECONDER:	KC Executive Committee Bill Roth Bill Lenert
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 reviewed the contents of the November/December edition of the Kane Kendall Council of Mayors newsletter. She spoke on the Surface Transportation Program - Local. This project will fill the program for Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2028 and 2029, as well as the Contingency Program for FFY 2025 through 2029. All applications are due on December 22, 2023. Forbes spoke on the Ride in Kane program. Currently, there are 73 registered riders under Kane County sponsorship. Forbes stated that with the partnership of staff, Pace has launched a customer service satisfaction survey for the Ride in Kane program. To access the survey, visit www.pacebus.com and search for "Ride in Kane survey".

**B.** Approving a Funding Agreement Between the County of Kane and Pace for the Ride in Kane Program

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Chris Kious
SECONDER:	Bill Lenert
AYE:	Mark Davoust, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Ron Ford
ABSENT:	Corinne M. Pierog

C. Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Illinois for Phase III Construction for Longmeadow Parkway Corridor Section C-2B from East of Sandbloom Road to Bolz Road Connector, Kane County Section No. 21-00215-29-CH

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

D. Approving an Amendment to Accept Planning Technical Assistance Services Delivered by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

KDOT staff Forbes provided additional information on this resolution.

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Dale Berman
SECONDER:	Bill Lenert
AYE:	Mark Davoust, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Ron Ford
ABSENT:	Corinne M. Pierog

#### 9. Permitting

**A.** Permitting Report

KDOT staff Nika stated the monthly Permitting Report was on file. He highlighted the listing of major access permits. Access permits will decrease as result of construction activities coming to a close. He commended staff for getting permits completed.

**B.** Kirk Road & Division Street Concept Plan for Access

KDOT staff Nika presented the Kirk Road and Division Street Concept Plan for Access. He stated that KDOT has been reviewing a site development concept with proposed access to Kirk Road, located at the southeast corner of Kirk Road and Division Street in the City of Geneva. Nika shared a map and concept site plan depicting the location of this proposed site. The 54-acre vacant land is proposed for development as the "Bullock Campus" site. Access to the site is proposed via the construction of the east leg of Kirk/Division intersection, which lies on the municipal boundary between St. Charles and Geneva. Nika explained that the proposed access is consistent with KDOT's Access Control Regulations. The existing 1996 intergovernmental agreements (IGAs) with the City of St. Charles and the City of Geneva did not approve the access, and because Kirk Road is a limited access freeway, KDOT will be pursuing a new IGA with the City of Geneva for this purpose. Nika noted that the long-range transportation plans have depicted both Division Street and Geneva Drive extending between Kirk Road and Kautz Road. The proposed site plan would show access at Division Street and the construction of Division Street along the site's northern property line. The site plan does not show a future extension of existing Geneva Drive to Kirk Road. KDOT staff is recommending no access to Kirk Road at Geneva Drive. This would eliminate the future necessity of signals at Kirk and Geneva Drive and is a cost savings to the County. Nika stated that the City of Geneva is supportive of the proposed development and no access at Geneva Drive.

Today, KDOT staff is seeking the Committee's feedback and direction regarding drafting a new IGA. Nika addressed questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

Mayor of Geneva, Kevin Burns, stated that the company, A.J. Antunes & Co., has selected this site and has worked with BEI Properties, is a global company. They are moving their headquarters from DuPage County to Kane. When the campus is complete, they will employ 2K people. Burns stated this is the type of development that the City of Geneva is seeking. He thanked everyone for their support. He shared his confidence in the project and all parties involved. Further discussion ensued.

The Committee provided consensus to work with the City of Geneva and develop the site plan.

#### 10. Traffic Operations

#### **A.** Traffic Operations Report

KDOT staff Zulkowski stated the monthly Traffic Operations Report was on file. He highlighted that KDOT staff has been working diligently on a data-driven investigation on road safety surrounding Kaneland High School. In August 2023, a fatal accident occurred near the school. Zulkowski stated that staff is currently processing all of the data and he hopes to have more information to share at the next Committee meeting. Zulkowski addressed questions and comments from the Committee.

Zulkowski shared photo exhibits of an accident that occurred on October 29, 2023 at the intersection of Orchard Road and West Galena Boulevard in the City of Aurora. A semi-trailer collided with an electrical facility that controls the traffic signal, the roadway street lighting, and a box that houses the energizes those facilities to ComEd. Zulkowski highlighted the level of service that KDOT has under contract. These services provide routine and emergency response to repairing these facilities. While those facilities are being repaired immediately, there are plans to get more permanent fixtures established to control the traffic lights. Zulkowski wanted to showcase that staff and contracts have major value and have helped to facilitate repairs to continue operations. Zulkowski addressed additional questions and comments from the Committee. Discussion ensued.

#### 11. **Project Implementation**

**A.** Project Implementation Report

KDOT staff O'Connell stated the monthly Project Implementation Report was on file. She explained that the design section of the report lists the finalizing plans and specifications for the 12 projects KDOT plans to bring to construction starting in the new year. She stated that KDOT has six yearly contracts that they will bring to the Committee for vote in 2024. She provided numerous construction photographs and provided additional information on them.

B. Approving a Phase I/II Engineering Services Agreement with HDR, Inc. of Arlington Heights, Illinois for Montgomery Road at Howell Place, Kane County Section No. 23-00586-00-TL

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
TO:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Bill Roth
SECONDER:	Ron Ford
AYE:	Mark Davoust, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Ron Ford
ABSENT:	Corinne M. Pierog

**C.** Approving an Amendment to a Phase II Engineering Services Agreement with Transystems, Inc. of Woodridge, Illinois for Dauberman Road Extension, Kane County Section No. 15-00277-01-BR

KC Executive Committee

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE
то:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
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

D. Approving a Contract for Construction with Curran Contracting Company of Crystal Lake, Illinois for 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
то:	KC Executive Committee
MOVER:	Bill Roth
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

E. 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: SECONDER:	Dale Berman Bill Roth
AYE:	Mark Davoust, Gary Daugherty, Dale Berman, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Bill Roth, and Ron Ford
ABSENT:	Corinne M. Pierog

# 12. Reports Placed On File

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Bill Lenert
SECONDER:	Chris Kious

13. Executive Session (If Needed)

None.

#### 14. New Business

None.

# 15. Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)

None.

# 16. Adjournment

RESULT:	APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE
MOVER:	Bill Roth
SECONDER:	Dale Berman

This meeting was adjourned at 9:42 AM.

Savannah Valdez Recording Secretary