

Road & Bridge Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, January 7th, 2026 @ 7:00pm

Call to Order at 7:03PM by Chairman Doug Bening.

Attendance: Doug Bening, Eric Brammeier, Dave Ibendahl, Larry Unverfehrt, Eric Malick, Dave Meyer

Quorum Yes

Review Minutes. Motioned for approval by Unverfehrt. Seconded by Malick. Voice vote unanimous yes.

Review Bills. Motioned for approval by Malick. Seconded by Ibendahl. Voice vote unanimous yes.

Next regular meeting: Wednesday, February 4th, 7:00pm

Construction Projects

Honeysuckle Road Bridge Replacement – Lively Grove Road District

- Funding – TBP, Local
- Hopeful Bid date, Spring 2027. New Contract with Jennifer Price with Wham and Wham to resolve ROW issue. \$200/Hr.

County Highway 10 Resurfacing – Oakdale to Elkton

- CH10 – Funding STR, RBI
- Volkert CE \$91,758. Const \$2,078,355.87. ET Simonds completed the job.

County Highway 16 Realignment – Engineering Study/ Phase I

- Funding – 2024 Local Project Funding Grant (\$125,000 Reimbursed)
- Gonzalez submitted an agreement for \$73,750 for an engineering study. Phase 1 engineering to be a future agreement.
 - Brammeier motioned to bring before the county board for approval. Ibendahl seconded. Voice vote unanimous yes.

County Highway 7 – Beaucoup Creek Bridge Replacement

- Engineering Agreement with Gonzalez using RBI funding. Three span to single span.
- \$800K Funding STP-BR, SMA, Bridge Fund. Construction FY26

County Highway 12 – Casper's Corner to New Marigold

- Allotting \$1.35M. Seeking Preliminary Engineering Agreement to repair and repave CH 12. Match \$200k using RBI.
- Engineering Agreement with HMG \$42,654. ET Simonds low bid \$773,797.59. Completed 7/24/25. Awaiting Billing

County Highway 10 – Elkton to IL-153

- Engineering Agreement with HMG – RBI Funding
- Killian completed on 9/26. \$1,346,483.48. Awaiting final billing.

Sycamore Rd Bridge over Herzog Creek

- Funding – TBP, Bridge Fund
- HMG Design Contract \$81,329. Environmental Clearance Granted. C-Hill low bid awarded \$312,000.
- Bridge Complete 9/18/2025. Final cost \$301,104.41. Completing job box for submittal for final approval. **TBP reimbursement received**

Birch Rd Bridge over North Creek

- Funding – TBP, Bridge Fund. FY26/27. HMG PE \$78,970

County Highway 12 – IL-15 to IL-177 Resurfacing

- Funding- \$2.3M Fed-STP, \$130k SMA, \$331k Matching.5.5Mi. FY28. Discussing project with HMG.
- Mill & Overlay CH12. 2' shoulders added to north half. Replace all RCP culverts in 2026 using county employees.

Other

50/50

- Ashley Road District – Kansas Rd – 42” Steel Culvert 40’ Long. Cost to county \$2,945
 - Motioned to bring to Board by Unverfehrt. Seconded by Brammeier. Voice vote unanimous yes.
- Johannesburg RD – Stone Church Rd – 72” Steel Culvert 40’ Long. Cost to County \$5,050.
 - Motioned to bring to Board by Ibendahl. Seconded by Unverfehrt. Voice vote unanimous yes.
- Du Bois RD – North Carolina Rd - 2x96” Steel Culvert – Potential Upcoming 50/50

Budget

- N/A.

Equipment

- Looking into hardwired dashcams.

Maintenance Work.

- Ditching a few locations around the county. ROW brush and tree trimming during good weather.
- Plows and trucks prepped for winter weather. Salt 2026 \$85.92/Ton Salt 2025 \$84.23/Ton. 2% increase.

Employees

- A few people have expressed interest but no one has come to pick up an application yet. Expecting them to come in still.

County Engineer

- Off January 19th for MLK day.
- Non-Redundant Steel Tension Member Bridge Inspection certification complete.

Motion to adjourn at 8:31PM by Malick. Seconded by Unverfehrt. Voice vote unanimous yes.