

Road & Bridge Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, August 6th, 2025 @ 7:00pm

Call to Order at 7:05 by Chairman Doug Bening.

Attendance: Doug Bening, Eric Brammeier, Dave Ibendahl, Larry Unverfehrt, Eric Malick, Dave Meyer
Review Minutes. Approval motioned by Ibendahl. Seconded by Unverfehrt. Voice vote unanimous yes.
Review Bills. Approval motioned by Malick. Seconded by Brammeier. Voice vote unanimous yes.
Next regular meeting at Wednesday, September 3rd, 7:00pm. New Business in BOLD.

Quorum: Yes

Construction Projects

Honeysuckle Road Bridge Replacement – Lively Grove Road District

- Funding – TBP, Local
- Hopeful Bid date, Spring 2026. Estimated Cost \$475k. Moving on from Tyson Tanner. Didn't do anything. Didn't respond to calls.
 - Recommendation was made and agreed upon to send a certified letter to Tanner.

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.

Hoover Rd Bridge over Archie Creek – Oakdale Road District

- Funding – STP-BR, TBP, Matching
- Lake Const has won the bid for \$319,999.05. Job completed. Job Box Accepted. TBP + RD reimbursement received. Awaiting billing.

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 FY28, likely sooner.

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. **Heiman reports construction completed 7/24/25**

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.
- **Heiman reports beams significantly delayed. 8/26 estimated delivery date. Hoping to open early September.**

Other

- N/A

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- Resolution presented for cost share for Ashley RD – E Railroad Rd – 30" Dia 30' culvert. Existing corroded through. Cost to county= \$1,820
 - Brammeier motioned for presentation to county board. Unverfehrt seconded.

Budget

- Heiman presented 2026 budget for committee review.
 - Budget accepted. Moving forward to County Finance committee.

Equipment

- Closed bid opened for CASE IH 145. Bid was lower than 80k threshold set by committee. Bid denied.

Maintenance Work.

- Heiman reported Oil and Chip completed. Dept is catching up on culvert replacement/lining and ditching projects. Replaced 60' 42" and 80' 42" culverts CH17 N of DB Blacktop.

Employees

- Heiman reports Frank Leffner resigned and went to Du Quoin State Fairgrounds. \$4/Hr pay raise and state pays insurance. Last day 8/18. Committee agreed to hold interviews for the position prior to September meeting.
- Heiman reports Jennifer Morris has semi-retired from cleaning. Last day was July 24th.
 - Krystal is willing to take over responsibilities outside of office hours at the same price. Committee has decided to not pursue that possibility.

Office

- County Engineer Reports:
 - Fall Bridge Inspections in Sept/Oct. IDOT Bridge audit scheduled for August 13.
 - Off Monday Sept 1st for Labor Day.

Motion to adjourn at 8:57 by Brammeier. Seconded by Malick. Voice vote unanimous yes.