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**Transportation Committee Meeting
Wednesday, February 15, 2006 - 9:00 A.M.
McHenry County Division of Transportation
Main Conference Room
16111 Nelson Road
Woodstock, Illinois 60098**

Chairman Dan Shea
Vice Chairman Ed Dvorak Don Larson
Virginia Peschke Lyn Orphal
Sandra Salgado Anna May Miller

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Shea called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Dan Shea, Anna May Miller, Lyn Orphal, Sandra Salgado, Don Larson and Ed Dvorak

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Virginia Peschke

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In attendance were: Peter Austin, County Administrator; Joseph Korpalski, Division of Transportation Director/County Engineer; Joe Murawski and Jim Kennedy, Village of Lake in the Hills; Charles Eldredge and Karen Patel, McHenry County Economic Development Corporation; Todd Bright, TranSystems Corporation; John Ambrose, Baxter and Woodman; Stanley Consultants; Hampton, Lenzi and Renwick, Incorporated; Bob Rollings, Bollinger Lach & Associates; Mark Johnson, Ciorba Group; Libby Braband and Jeff Frantz, CH2M Hill; Ken Kelgard, Division of Transportation Deputy County Engineer; Mark Dammyer, Division of Transportation Construction Manager; Jeff Young, Division of Transportation Design Manager; Brad Cousin, Division of Transportation Traffic Engineer; Jason Osborn, Division of Transportation/Transportation, Planning and Program Coordinator; Mark DeVries, Division of Transportation Maintenance Superintendent; Ed Markison, Division of Transportation Assistant Maintenance Superintendent; Debra Kroll, Division of Transportation Administrative Specialist.

- There was no public participation at today's meeting.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 01, 2006 MEETING MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Dvorak and seconded by Ms. Miller, the February 01, 2006 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

A vote was taken with all members present voting "aye"; motion carried.

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF CARY FOR A BIKE TRAIL CROSSING

McHenry County Division of Transportation staff requests the approval of the resolution approving the intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the Village of Cary for the Cary-Algonquin Road shared use path crossing project, at Norman Drive.

The Village has requested to install a pedestrian crosswalk at this location. Without obtaining a permit, the Village installed a crosswalk. Upon review of this location, with respect to the installation of a pedestrian crossing on Keystone Road and the discussions with this Committee for that crossing and the crossing at Norman Drive, the MCDOT staff recommends that the IGA be approved.

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The IGA has been prepared by the Division of Transportation staff, based on the understanding of both parties and meets the requirements of the McHenry County Division of Transportation. The agreement has been sent to the State's Attorneys' office for review. The Village of Cary Board approved the IGA on January 17, 2006.

On a motion made by Ms. Miller and seconded by Ms. Salgado, the Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Cary for a Bike Trail Crossing was approved, with a recommendation to the County Board.

A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes"; motion carried.

AMENDED RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS FOR FY2006 TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

The McHenry County Division of Transportation staff requests the approval of this revised resolution, appropriating funds for the 2006 traffic signal maintenance program for the County's traffic signals and roadway lighting systems.

The original resolution was approved by the County Board on December 20, 2005; however, it identified the Motor Fuel Tax Fund as the funding location and not the County Option Fund, which is where the funds were placed during the budget process.

On a motion made by Ms. Salgado and seconded by Ms. Orphal, the Amended Resolution Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax funds for the FY2006 Traffic Signal Maintenance Contract and the appropriation of \$110,000.00 from the County Option Motor Fuel Tax Fund was approved, with a recommendation to the County Board.

A vote was taken with all members present voting "aye"; motion carried.

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR ANNUAL STRIPING PAINT AND GLASS BEAD MATERIAL

The McHenry County Division of Transportation staff requests the approval of the resolution allowing participation in the State purchase for glass beads for traffic paint for FY2006.

Bids are opened and accepted by the State of Illinois, and the County can participate through the State Purchase Program. This is an annual item that needs to be bid and is funded through the Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

The State Purchase Program plan was identified this year. The MCDOT initiated the use of this program last year, which was approved by the County Board. Past experience with the County, yielded a higher price than those received from the State. This is due to large quantities of materials that the State of Illinois bids for the program, and thus is very competitive and in turn, is more economical for the County. The MCDOT is seeking approval of this resolution.

On a motion made by Mr. Larson and seconded by Mr. Dvorak, the Resolution Appropriating Funds for Annual Striping Paint and Glass Bead Material and the appropriation of \$15,000.00 from the County Motor Fuel Tax Fund was approved, with a recommendation to the County Board.

A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes"; motion carried.

CONSULTANT INTERVIEWS

9:40 AM - 10:03 AM – TranSystems Corporation – Presentation

10:03 AM - 10:05 AM - Question and Answer Period

10:15 AM - 10:30 AM – Baxter and Woodman, Inc. - Presentation

10:30 AM - 10:35 AM – Question and Answer Period

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10:55 AM – 11:20 AM – Stanley Consultants – Presentation

11:20 AM – 11:25 AM – Question and Answer Period

11:35 AM – 12:03 PM – Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. – Presentation

12:03 PM – 12:07 PM – Question and Answer Period

Committee members elected to have an *open session*, in which they discussed their likes/dislikes, opinions and observations of each consultant.

On a motion made by Ms. Orphal and seconded by Ms. Miller, Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. was approved as the consultant selected to perform the Alden Road Reconstruction, Wisconsin State Line to Nelson Road, Phase I Engineering. TranSystems was selected second, Baxter and Woodman, Inc. was selected third, and Stanley Consultants was selected fourth.

A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”; motion carried.

OLD / NEW BUSINESS

Old Business

- When asked for an update concerning the issues with the Village of McCullom Lake (McHenry Bypass), Mr. Korpalski noted that he has been in touch with Ms. Jamie Rein, State’s Attorneys office. Mr. Korpalski noted that it was the direction of this committee to move forward, sooner than later. Our position should not be to renegotiate. This item will be put on the next Transportation Committee agenda and a representative from the State’s Attorneys office will be asked to attend that meeting.
- Mr. Korpalski stated that a meeting date will be forthcoming, with regard to the Five-Year Plan and transportation project selection, once committee members’ schedules’ can be coordinated.
- Chairman Shea briefly discussed a press release from Representative Manzullo’s office about Governor Blagojevich and the possibility of actually losing federal transportation money because there is *no action* by the State of Illinois. For all purposes, Representative Manzullo’s office is not going to respond to this threat about having to have a “bond issue” or “nothing.” Chairman Shea stated that in his opinion, it was irresponsible to think that projects would be held hostage, to make sure that a “bond issue” was passed.

Chairman Shea added that Mr. Tim Martin of the Illinois Department of Transportation conveyed numerous statements on the fact that projects will not proceed unless Governor Blagojevich procures the passing of the “bond issue.”

New Business

American Public Works Association – Chicago Metropolitan Chapter 2006 Award of Merit

As committee members are aware, the Division of Transportation will be receiving the 2006 Technical Innovation Award for the liquid blending system at the March 9th Award Luncheon for the Chicago Metropolitan Chapter of American Public Works Association.

In addition, the Division of Transportation has been notified that our esteemed Maintenance Superintendent, Mr. Mark DeVries has been selected as the recipient of the 2006 Award of Merit. This award was established to recognize an individual at the operational level, first line supervisor or below, who performs his/her responsibilities in an exceptionally efficient and courteous manner. Mr. DeVries embodies the positive professional image of the Division of Transportation and will be presented a plaque at the March 9th luncheon. Congratulations were offered by all.

EXECUTIVE SESSION –Property Acquisition

On a motion made by Ms. Orphal at 09:15 AM and seconded by Ms. Miller, the committee went into Executive Session to discuss property acquisition.

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A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes"; motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

On a motion made by Mr. Dvorak at 09: 31 AM and seconded by Ms. Orphal, the committee went back into Regular Session.

A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes"; motion carried.

Chairman Shea noted that "no action" was taken in Executive Session.

NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

9 A.M. on March 01, 2006 – McHenry County Division of Transportation

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Ms. Miller at 12:25 AM and seconded by Ms. Orphal, the meeting was adjourned.

A vote was taken with all members present voting "aye"; motion carried.