

**Transportation Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, May 3, 2006 - 10:00 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, Lyn Orphal, Virginia Peschke, Ed Dvorak and Don Larson

**MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE**

Anna May Miller and Sandra Salgado

**OTHER ATTENDEES**

In attendance were: John Labaj, Deputy County Administrator; Joseph Korpalski, Director of Transportation/County Engineer; Michelle Courier, State's Attorney Office; Mark Mathewson, Mathewson Right of Way Company; Joe Murawski, Village of Lake in the Hills Trustee; Bob Rollings, BLA; Brian Smith, CTE; Glenn Schirmer, Chastain & Associates; Marty Joyce, HDR; Mark Johnson, Ciorba Group; Nate Legue, Northwest Herald; Veronica Armstrong, County resident; Ken Kelgard, Division of Transportation Deputy County Engineer; Mark Dammyer, Division of Transportation Construction Manager; Jeff Young, Division of Transportation Design Manager; Cha Lee, Division of Transportation Consultant Project/Design Engineer; Holly Ostdick, CATS Planning Liaison; Wynnyth Adair, Division of Transportation Drainage Engineer; Debra Kroll, Division of Transportation Administrative Specialist.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**APPROVAL OF APRIL 19, 2006 MEETING MINUTES**

On a motion made by Mr. Larson and seconded by Ms. Orphal, the April 19, 2006 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

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

**ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY**

The McHenry County Division of Transportation staff requests the approval of the resolution approving the inclusion of the identified groups into the McHenry County Division of Transportation Adopt-A-Highway Program.

**NEW ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY GROUPS**

1. TOPS #1873
2. Heaney's Inside RV Storage
3. Island Glass
4. Boy Scout Troop #152
5. Marvin Family
6. McHenry County Economic and Development Corp.

7. State Bank of the Lakes
8. McClellan Vehicle Service
9. Huntley Harvesters 4-H Club
10. In Loving Memory of Linda Arteese
11. Manning Family
12. King Family Farm
13. In Memory of WWII Sgt. Gayle Palmer

In order to augment the Division of Transportation's litter collection efforts, the County enacted an Ordinance to allow for volunteer groups to adopt various sections of highways for litter collection. With approval of these agreements, the McHenry County Division of Transportation has fifty four (54) groups enrolled in the program covering eighty one (81) centerline miles of two hundred twenty five (225) available miles in the program.

The ordinance requires that the volunteer groups enter into an agreement with McHenry County defining the responsibilities of the groups and the County. This resolution approves the County to enter into an agreement with thirteen (13) groups for fourteen (14) sections of highway.

On a motion made by Ms. Peschke and seconded by Mr. Dvorak, the Resolution Approving the Inclusion of the Identified Groups into the McHenry County Division of Transportation Adopt-A-Highway Program was approved, with a recommendation to the County Board.

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

#### **SPEED STUDIES**

The McHenry County Division of Transportation staff requests the approval of the Ordinance adopting the establishment of an altered speed zone.

As part of the Division's bi-annual program, upon request, speed studies are conducted for various County and Township roadways.

Of the five (5) roadways studied this spring, Justen Road in Nunda Township justifies a reduction in the posted speed from 45 mph to 40 mph. The other roadway studies did not warrant reductions.

On a motion made by Ms. Orphal and seconded by Ms. Peschke, the Resolution Approving the Ordinance Adopting the Establishment of an Altered Speed Zone was approved, with a recommendation to the County Board for a 30 day review.

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

#### **RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BOLLINGER, LACH & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR PHASE III ENGINEERING SERVICES ON ALGONQUIN ROAD**

The McHenry County Division of Transportation staff requests the approval of this resolution approving a Phase III construction engineering services contract with Bollinger Lach & Associates Inc. (BLA) of Oakbrook, Illinois.

The design for Algonquin Road has been proceeding for the past five (5) years. This contract is only the first of two (2) anticipated contracts for the project with BLA, Inc. This contract will provide for a constructability review of the contract plans and specifications, as well as advance public utility relocation coordination to be completed before the contract is let. The second will be a contract amendment to provide for the construction management and inspection services for the project.

On a motion made by Mr. Dvorak and seconded by Ms. Orphal, the Resolution Approving an Engineering Services Agreement with BLA, Inc. for Phase III Engineering Services on Algonquin Road was approved, with a recommendation to the County Board.

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

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HDR INC. FOR PHASE I ENGINEERING ON RANDALL ROAD**

The McHenry County Division of Transportation staff requests the approval of this resolution approving a Phase I engineering contract with HDR, Inc. for the Randall Road widening project from County Line Road to Ackman Road.

HDR, Inc. was selected by the Transportation Committee on December 7, 2005 by interview. The Phase I contract has been reviewed and approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation and will receive 80% Federal STR (Surface Transportation - Rural) funds.

The County and the State are entering into an IGA (intergovernmental agreement) where the County will be reimbursed 80% for engineering costs.

On a motion made by Mr. Dvorak and seconded by Ms. Orphal, the Resolution Approving an Engineering Services Agreement with HDR, Inc for Phase I Engineering on Randall Road was approved, with a recommendation to the County Board.

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

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF ILLINOIS**

The McHenry County Division of Transportation staff requests the approval of the resolution approving the intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the State of Illinois outlining the reimbursement of the Phase I engineering contract with HDR, Inc. for the Randall Road widening project from County Line Road to Ackman Road.

The IGA provides the detailed methodology in which the County will obtain 80% reimbursement of the contract value from Federal STR (Surface Transportation – Rural) funds routed through the Illinois Department of Transportation.

The County and the State enter into the same agreement on any project where reimbursement is provided through the Illinois Department of Transportation or the State.

On a motion made by Ms. Orphal and seconded by Mr. Larson, the Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Illinois was approved, with a recommendation to the County Board.

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

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TRANSYSTEMS FOR PLANNING SERVICES FOR THE TRANSIT IMPLEMENTATION TASK FORCE**

The McHenry County Division of Transportation staff requests the approval of the contract for professional consultant services from TranSystems Corporation to assist the Transit Plan Implementation Task Force, in the development of a Coordinated Demand Response System and a Subsidized Taxi Voucher Program.

TranSystems Corporation developed the Transit Plan, approved by the County Board last November, which recommends the implementation of a Coordinated Demand Response System and a Subsidized Taxi Voucher Program. The Implementation Task Force met on April 20, 2006.

The Transit Plan is a realistic step by step approach to better address the mobility needs of the citizens of McHenry County. The services in this contract will help implement the first step.

On a motion made by Ms. Orphal and seconded by Ms. Peschke, the Resolution Approving an Engineering Services Agreement with TranSystems Corporation for Planning Services for the Transit Implementation Task Force was approved, with a recommendation to the County Board

Ms. Peschke stated that in Portland, Oregon senior citizens, who are no longer capable of driving, can sell their vehicles and attain voucher value for the sale amount of the vehicle, which then can be drawn against in exchange for transportation.

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

### **PROJECT STATUS REPORT**

The report was discussed.

### **OLD / NEW BUSINESS**

***Old Business*** – None

Mr. Korpalski took this opportunity to introduce two (2) new additions to the DOT staff, Ms. Wynnyth Adair, Drainage Engineer and Mr. Cha Lee, Consultant Project/Design Engineer.

### ***New Business*** – **Right of Way Acquisition Process**

Mr. Mark Mathewson of Mathewson Right of Way Company provided a brief presentation on the Land Acquisition process, to help clarify the procedure and the specific steps that are required in order to fulfill that process (illustrated hand outs were provided). Mr. Mathewson noted that the State's Attorney office prosecutes the actual condemnation.

Mr. Dvorak asked what the time frame was from the beginning to the end of the process, to which Mr. Mathewson stated if litigation was a factor, it could take approximately one (1) to two (2) years.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION – Property Acquisitions and Pending Litigation**

On a motion made by Ms. Peschke at 9:40 AM and seconded by Ms. Orphal, the committee went into Executive Session.

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

### **REGULAR SESSION**

On a motion made by Mr. Dvorak at 10:12 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 May 17, 2006 – McHenry County Division of Transportation

### **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Ms. Orphal at 10:15 AM and seconded by Ms. Peschke, the meeting was adjourned.

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