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MINUTES

SANGAMON COUNTY BOARD

MARCH 13, 2012

The Sangamon County Board met in Reconvened Adjourned September Session on March 13, 2012 in the County Board Chambers. Chairman Van Meter called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Mr. Moore gave the Invocation and Mr. Smith led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Chairman Van Meter asked the County Clerk to call the roll. There were 25 Present – 4 Absent. Mr. Davsko, Mrs. Fulgenzi, Mr. Sausaman and Mr. Stephens were excused.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Bunch, for approval of the minutes of February 14, 2012. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
MINUTES ADOPTED

CORRESPONDENCE

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Montalbano, to place correspondence on file with the County Clerk. A voice vote was unanimous. There was no correspondence to file.

COUNTY ENGINEER TIM ZAHRN-PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM UPDATE

Mr. Fraase introduced Tim Zahrn to give an update on the Pavement Management System. Mr. Fraase explained that in 2009 or 2010 they signed on with Applied Research Associates to create the system. It is a road maintenance system for all the county highways. They go around and video tape to give a guideline of which roads need improvements.

Tim Zahrn, County Engineer, addressed the Board. He explained that a consultant comes on board and actually looks at the roadways. They drive a truck across the roadways and measure deflections, video tape the roads looking for distress on the surface, and do a general conditions survey of the roadways. They put that information into pavement management software called RoadCare. They take the money they have available for maintenance and put it into the program to give them the types of projects they should be doing on the roadways. One of the things this did for the county is that it gave them the opportunity to utilize federal funds for maintenance type activities. Generally the life of a pavement is 25 to 30 years. The pavement management system actually gives them different preventative maintenance measures they can do throughout the life of the pavement. Within three to five years of the initial life of a pavement they may go out and put some crack sealant into the cracks before it can get down into the pavement and deteriorate it. It may be another ten years before they do another type of maintenance. This system lets them know when is the right time to do the right type of maintenance on the roadways. If you do this over time, you extend the life of the roadways.

They are in the third year of the program and have actually done quite a bit of work. He stated that there is a chart (see chart) which shows the projects they have done in the past two years and what they are planning to do this year. They have set the program up to do about \$2 million worth of work every other year. That is utilizing federal, county and sometimes state dollars. In the off years, they are trying to do about \$250,000 worth of preventative maintenance on the roadways. Over a five-year period, this is a \$300,000 investment the county has made into the Pavement Management System. They can utilize federal funds for that. Out of the \$300,000, about half was paid with federal funding.

They completed two cape seal projects in 2010 on Williamsville Road and Cardinal Hill Road. That is a process where they put a seal coat on top of an asphalt pavement and then put a micro-surfacing on top of that to give it a new surface. That seals the top of the road. That is what was suggested for those two roadways. They also did a crack seal contract in 2011 and asphalt overlay on Old Jacksonville Road. The total cost of those two projects was right at \$1.8 million. They were able to receive some truck access route program funding and some federal funding to do that. In 2010 and 2011 they did \$2.4 million worth of work on the county highway system. They spent about \$62,000 in county funds. This gave them an opportunity to utilize federal funds for these types of maintenance activities instead of using all county funds.

This year will be one of their lower years. They will do about \$250,000 worth of preventative maintenance to the roadways. Every year they go through a meeting with IDOT and talk about federal funds and do their federal programming and are looking at a five-year cycle. They recognized there was some federal funding they could utilize quicker than they thought. They were able to quickly identify projects for the next year. They picked up another \$2 million worth of work on the county highway system. By having the system in place they were able to expedite some projects and actually utilize federal funds.

In the first three years of this program they are going to do about \$4.6 million worth of work, and the total cost for the county is going to be just over \$500,000 to get it done. The amount of miles they are completing in the first three years is just right at 40 miles worth of roadway. There are 250 miles of county highway that they maintain at the highway department. About 110 of that are the hard surface roads. If they waited until the roads got too bad, they would be spending somewhere around \$400,000 per mile to replace the road. They would then only be able to do 10 to 12 miles of roadway instead of the 40 they have done in the same amount of time.

Mr. Fraase stated that Tim did bring this to committee and they all agreed with this. Some on the committee were a little reluctant to spend \$150,000, but it has definitely paid off in the long run. Mr. Fraase thanked Mr. Zahrn for what he has done.

Mr. Montalbano stated that, since this program, it is easier to get federal funds. Mr. Zahrn explained that you could not use federal funds for maintenance type activities unless you had a system that tells you when you could perform that maintenance on the roadway. They turn this in as part of their submittal whenever they submit these projects, so they know it is the right time to do the maintenance on the roadway.

Mr. Good asked if the \$2 million was something they received because other people were not ready for it. He asked if the highway department was then contacted because they had a project ready, and was able to pull that money into this year as opposed to next year. Mr. Zahrn explained that IDOT gets so many federal dollars per year, and they try to utilize those dollars in that year. There were some projects that maybe were not quite ready, so they were able to move Sangamon County's up because they did have projects that were ready.

Mr. Stumpf asked for clarification, from the chart, if they would start micro-surfacing and cape sealing a road in the 15th year and up until the 45th year. Mr. Zahrn stated that is exactly right. They will look at it, and the system will know they did the treatment and they will go back and look at it again in about 10 to 15 years to do another treatment.

Mr. Goleman stated that this is another example of how their department heads and elected officials have become more efficient and are utilizing taxpayer dollars to the fullest.

Chairman Van Meter asked Mr. Zahrn if they allocate the county and federal taxpayer's dollars for the road programs according to what the software package shows is needed. Mr. Zahrn stated that he looks at his budget and tries to figure out how much money is available to put into the software.

Mr. Hall applauded them for their work. They had a road that they forever said was not a state road, but was a county road. After about a year and a half of arguing they found that it was a state road.

RESOLUTION 1

1. Resolution approving a petition for a drainage improvement in Rochester Township.

A motion was made by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Fraase, to place Resolution 1 on the floor. Upon a roll call vote, there were 24 Yeas – 0 Nays for the adoption of Resolution 1.

MOTION CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2

2. Resolution approving a federal aid agreement for Buckhart Road.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Mendenhall, to place Resolution 2 on the floor.

A motion was made by Mr. Goleman, seconded by Mr. Montalbano, that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stand as the roll call vote for Resolution 2. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 3

- 3. 2012-001 – Mary H. Hancock, 635 N. Wesley Street, Springfield – Granting a Rezoning. County Board Member – Rose Ruzic, District #19.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ruzic, seconded by Ms. Dillman, to place Resolution 3 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 3.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 4

- 4. 2012-005 – Benjamin & Janda Stevens, in the 6000 block of Tolan Road, Pleasant Plains – Granting a Rezoning and Variance. County Board Member – Harry "Tom" Fraase, Jr., District #1.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mr. Krell, to place Resolution 4 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 4.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 5

- 5. 2012-006 – Penelope M. Kerber, 3771 Pet Cemetery Road, Springfield – Granting an amendment and Variances. County Board Member – Sarah Musgrave, District #9.

A motion was made by Mrs. Musgrave, seconded by Mr. Snell, to place Resolution 5 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote carried for the adoption of Resolution 5. Mr. Hall and Mr. Moore voted no.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 6

- 6. 2012-007 – Terry & Melissa Beckler & Wilma Kern Dullanty, Trustee – Granting Variances. County Board Member – Abe Forsyth, District #27.

A motion was made by Mr. Forsyth, seconded by Mr. Schweska, to place Resolution 6 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 6.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

WAIVER OF TEN-DAY FILING PERIOD

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Montalbano, to waive the ten-day filing period. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
TEN-DAY FILING PERIOD WAIVED

RESOLUTIONS 7 - 9

- 7. Resolution approving the purchase of a Wi-Fi system for the Sangamon County Courts.

A motion was made by Mr. Fulgenzi, seconded by Mr. Ratts, to place Resolution 7 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Maslauski, to consolidate Resolutions 7 – 9. Chairman Van Meter asked the Clerk to read Resolutions 8 and 9.

- 8. Resolution approving the purchase of a base video arraignment system for the Courts and Detention Center.
- 9. Resolution amending Chapter 2.04.310 of the Sangamon County Code regarding the structure of County Board committees.

A voice vote was unanimous on the consolidation. A motion was made by Mr. Goleman, seconded by Mr. Stumpf, that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stand as the roll call vote for Resolutions 7 – 9, as consolidated. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolutions

There were no new resolutions.

- B. Appointments

Appointment of Carole Bax to the Citizens Advisory Committee on Animal Control for a term expiring June, 2013.

Appointment of Leslie McCarthy to the Springfield Mass Transit District for a term expiring February, 2016.

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Bunch, for approval of the appointments. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
APPOINTMENTS ADOPTED

**REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS, REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES, REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES,
COMMITTEE REPORT ON CLAIMS**

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Bunch, to place the reports on file with the County Clerk. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
APPOINTMENTS ADOPTED

RECESS

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Montalbano, to recess the meeting to April 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
MEETING RECESSED