

MEETING: TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approved 5/16/2011

DATE/ TIME: Monday, April 18, 2011 - 8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Sinn, Terry Von Boeckman, Rosemary Palmer, Mel Stanford, Jim Carius, Jim Donahue, and John Ackerman

ABSENT:

MINUTES: **MOTION BY DONAHUE, SECOND BY PALMER** to approve the minutes of March 21, 2011. **MOTION CARRIED** on voice vote.
Approve

LETTING: **MOTION BY CARIUS, SECOND BY DONAHUE** to close bids for the following items:

Sec. 11-00000-01-GM Sec. 11-00000-01-GM
Tazewell County County Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son..... \$2,181,353.29

RESOLUTION: **MOTION BY STANFORD, SECOND BY DONAHUE** to accept the low bid of R.A. Cullinan & Son in the amount of \$2,181,353.29, subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

Sec. 11-02000-00-GM Sec. 11-02000-00-GM
Cincinnati Road District Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son..... \$57,749.46
Beniach Construction Co., Inc..... \$59,521.34

RESOLUTION: **MOTION BY VON BOECKMAN, SECOND BY CARIUS** to accept the low bid of R.A. Cullinan & Son in the amount of \$57,749.46, subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

Sec. 11-06000-00-GM Sec. 11-06000-00-GM
Elm Grove Road District Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son..... \$90,351.31
Beniach Construction Co., Inc..... \$89,553.70

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RESOLUTION:

MOTION BY STANFORD, SECOND BY PALMER to accept the low bid of Beniach Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$89,553.70, subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

**Sec. 11-07000-00-GM
Fondulac Road District**

Sec. 11-07000-00-GM
Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son.....	\$70,987.55
Tazewell County Asphalt Co., Inc...	\$76,354.00
Fischer Excavating.....	\$79,532.10

RESOLUTION:

MOTION BY STANFORD, SECOND BY PALMER to accept the low bid of R.A. Cullinan & Son in the amount of \$70,987.55, subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

**Sec. 11-09000-00-GM
Hittle Road District**

Sec. 11-09000-00-GM
Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son.....	\$39,926.87
Beniach Construction Co., Inc.....	\$42,665.00

RESOLUTION:

MOTION BY CARIUS, SECOND BY STANFORD to accept the low bid of R.A. Cullinan & Son in the amount of \$39,926.87, subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

**Sec. 11-10000-01-GM
Hopedale Road District**

Sec. 11-10000-01-GM
Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son.....	\$59,717.24
Beniach Construction Co., Inc.....	\$59,307.20

RESOLUTION:

MOTION BY STANFORD, SECOND BY PALMER to accept the low bid of Beniach Construction Co., Inc in the amount of \$59,307.20 subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

**Sec. 11-10000-02-GM
Hopedale Road District**

Sec. 11-10000-02-GM
Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son.....	\$23,102.88
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RESOLUTION:

MOTION BY ACKERMAN, SECOND BY DONAHUE to accept the low bid of R.A. Cullinan & Son in the amount of \$23,102.88, subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

**Sec. 11-11000-01-GM
Little Mackinaw Road
District**

Sec. 11-11000-01-GM
Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son..... \$29,526.64
Beniach Construction Co., Inc..... \$33,384.00

RESOLUTION:

MOTION BY ACKERMAN, SECOND BY STANFORD to accept the low bid of R.A. Cullinan & Son in the amount of \$29,526.64, subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

**Sec. 11-13000-00-GM
Malone Road District**

Sec. 11-13000-00-GM
Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son..... \$49,176.72
Beniach Construction Co., Inc..... \$53,179.50

RESOLUTION:

MOTION BY PALMER, SECOND BY DONAHUE to accept the low bid of R.A. Cullinan & Son in the amount of \$49,176.72, subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

**Sec. 11-14000-00-GM
Morton Road District**

Sec. 14-10000-00-GM
Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son..... \$38,217.06

RESOLUTION:

MOTION BY CARIUS, SECOND BY STANFORD to accept the low bid of R.A. Cullinan in the amount of \$38,217.06 subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

**Sec. 11-17000-02-GM
Spring Lake Road District**

Sec. 11-17000-02-GM
Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son..... \$32,307.27

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RESOLUTION: **MOTION BY PALMER, SECOND BY VON BOECKMAN** to accept the low bid of R.A. Cullinan in the amount of \$32,307.27 subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

Sec. 11-19000-00-GM Sec. 11-19000-00-GM
Washington Road District Township Motor Fuel Tax Fund

R.A. Cullinan & Son.....	\$88,814.36
Beniach Construction Co., Inc.....	\$98,179.00

RESOLUTION: **MOTION BY ACKERMAN, SECOND BY CARIUS** to accept the low bid of R.A. Cullinan in the amount of \$88,814.36 subject to the approval of the County Board and Illinois Department of Transportation. **MOTION CARRIED** on a voice vote.

Sec. 11-19000-01-GM Sec. 11-19000-01-GM
Washington Road District NON-MFT
NON-MFT

R.A. Cullinan & Son.....	\$191,495.51
Beniach Construction Co., Inc.....	\$203,162.00

NOTE: THIS PROJECT WAS BID AS A CONVENIENCE TO WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP AND WAS NOT NECESSARY TO BRING TO THE COMMITTEE FOR A VOTE.

Mr. Carius questioned the bid for Tazewell County’s general maintenance, as it was bid half a million below the estimated cost. Mr. Paul Augsburger reminded the committee the estimates are costs of similar projects from the past with an inflation percentage applied to predict current costs. However, the bids placed use the actual current costs, like the cost of oil.

OLD BUSINESS:
Broadway Road Bridge Update

Mr. Dan Parr informed the committee the deck was poured one month ago and backfilling is currently being completed behind the abutments on the east and west sides. Final shaping will begin soon. Chairman Sinn asked for Mr. Parr’s best guess of a final completion date. Mr. Parr said, weather permitting, the road will be open in June, but the completed project is held up due to planting of trees. The trees cannot be planted until fall. Mr. Ackerman asked why the trees were not able to be planted in the summer, and Mr. Parr replied the trees will not survive if they are planted that early.

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**Veterans Road Bridge
Update**

Mr. Parr stated one of four right of ways have been obtained. He stated he recently spoke with Norfolk Southern Railroad, and it was the first communication the office has had with the railroad. Mr. Parr informed the committee there should be closure on the right of way very soon, or at least not held off for a week or two. Mr. Parr said the project is likely to be let in November, and bulk of the work will be completed in 2012. Mr. Ackerman added he has heard positive feedback from the community in regards to this project.

**Rural Sign Upgrade
Program Update**

Mr. Parr advised the committee that the majority of the entities have their posts and hardware, and delivery of signs should start very soon. He stated fifty percent of the entities have begun setting up foundations for the new posts. Mr. Parr said Mr. Rusty Albers has worked very closely with the road commissioners to help with the signs and their placement. Mr. Parr mentioned that not only will the signs themselves improve, but placement of signs, such as "Stop Ahead" and "Curve Ahead" signs, will improve as well.

Heritage Lake Update

Chairman Sinn updated the committee on the Heritage Lake situation. He stated a petition has been passed around to the property owners to see if they will agree to costs and special service area. Chairman Sinn said those presenting the petition have done a good job of making the property owners aware of the cost situation. The property owners are not being told an exact price. Rather, they are informed if it will cost "x," your fee will be "x." Chairman Sinn stated Mike Rankin, Mackinaw Township Road Commissioner, has agreed to the current process, but still has time to make a decision after costs and legalities have been established.

**NEW BUSINESS:
None This Meeting**

**OTHER MATTERS:
Country Club Estates
Bridge**

Mr. Donahue wanted to comment on and thank the Highway Department for recently contacting him about Country Club Estates Bridge. The Homeowners President wanted to have work done on the bridge within Country Club Estates. Due to the amount of work going on, the bridgework is not yet possible. Mr. Donahue said he appreciated the notice from the Highway Department. He said this communication prepared him for any questions, comments, or concerns from neighbors.

**Minimizing Manual
Checks**

Chairman Sinn informed the committee David Jones has asked for the amount of manual checks written to be reduced. The issue creates concern for the Highway Department in that this may result in losing certain contractors or competitive bidding due to the company having to wait longer for payment.

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Mr. Carius suggested talking to companies, such as the ones bidding today, to see how this would affect them. Mr. Stanford questioned the legalities of contract payments and the process used by other counties. Chairman Sinn reminded the committee the information is new and is not accompanied by many details at this time. He stated he simply wanted to make the committee aware of an upcoming matter.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **MOTION BY CARIUS, SECOND BY PALMER** to approve the bills as presented and recommend payment to the County Board.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Sinn adjourned the meeting at 8:43 A.M. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Transportation Committee will be held on Monday, May 16, 2011, at 8:00 A.M.