

ROAD & BRIDGE COMMITTEE

September 3, 2020

The McDonough County Road and Bridge Committee held their monthly meeting on Thursday, September, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. Committee Members present included Chair Dave Cortelyou, Vice Chair Dick Marcott, Mike Cox, George Dixon, Ken Durkin, Rod McGrew, and Marcia Twaddle. Other persons in attendance: County Engineer Rick Walker, Dave Cadwalader, Patrick Stout, County Chair Scott Schwerer, and County Clerk Gretchen DeJaynes.

Chair Dave Cortelyou called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Review Minutes from August 6, 2020

Member Durkin moved with a second by Member McGrew to approve the August 6, 2020 minutes, with a correction. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Resolution to Purchase a Used 1994 Etnyre Chip Spreader

Dave Cadwalader with the Highway Department explained to the Committee what the spreader is used for, and that it is being sold by Mercer County for \$20,000.00

Member Marcott moved with a second by Member McGrew to approve the Resolution to Purchase a Used 1994 Etnyre Chip Spreader, and to send to full Board. Motion carried on a voice vote.

2021 Seal Coat Program

Engineer Rick Walker passed out a map for the 2021 seal coat program, approximately 1.1 to 1.2 million in programs for next year. Member Dixon inquired about the Colmar blacktop, Walker said that it should still be done in April. Member Cox asked about them going across the St. Francis blacktop on CH22, Walker said that he believes it would be best to catch up on top coat. Member McGrew inquired about the Emory School Road near Prairie City that was patched, Walker said it is on the list, but not for next year. Walker said they are working on keeping road rehab in certain areas, and on roads with high average daily traffic. The current balance in their Sales Tax fund is \$264,000 which he believes will be enough to do projects next year.

Member Cox moved with a second by Member McGrew to approve the 2021 Seal Coat Program. Motion carried on a voice vote.

The Sugar Creek Bridge is coming along well and they will be starting on the Bushnell bridge soon.

August Work Report

Report given by Dave Cadwalader. In August they worked on road repairs, sign maintenance, and erosion repair on county roads. They installed and relocated CMP's for County Bridge Aid projects in Adair, and sampled borrow pit area for a Bushnell bridge project. Standard maintenance was done on trucks and equipment.

Claims

Member Dixon moved with a second by Member Marcott to approve the claims submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Other Business

Member Marcott talked to Walker about a safety concern he had, he came down West Adams Road where a County truck was parked without any signage, he feels that there should have been more employees there and that signs should have been put out. Member McGrew asked if the truck had its flashers on. Dave Cadwalader along with another employee went and checked the sight line of the job, he believes the situation could have been handled differently and recommended that the truck be parked off of the road in the future.

County Chair Comments

County Chair Schwerer reminded everyone to fill out their Census. Covid numbers are increasing, Schwerer asked everyone to please be responsible.

Adjourn

Member Cox moved with a second by Member McGrew to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.