GRUNDY COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 17, 2011

TO: The Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board, Grundy County, Illinois:

Your Committee met on Thursday, March 17, 2011, 4:30 P.M. at the Highway Department to hold the regular monthly meeting. Those present were: J. Almer, J. Galloway, D. Boggs, R. Severson, D. Duffy, and C. Cassem. Also present: S. Bates, K. Corrigan, J. Wiesbrock, R. Hansen, S. Vandeveer, B. Tessiatore, P. Mesha, R. Stanley, P. Stanley. Those absent were: F. Halpin, E. Rasmusson. Motion by J. Almer and seconded by J. Galloway to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Motion carried. Motion by J. Galloway and seconded by J. Almer to approve the claims. Motion carried. During public comment, Jason Weisbrock of SPACECO Engineering introduced two representatives from Christopher Burke Engineering, Ryan Hansen and Curt Corrigan, who have recently located into the SPACECO office in Morris. C. Cassem informed Committee that the repair bill for the snow plow truck which was damaged in the blizzard was $7,900. The Grundy County Insurance Trust paid for the repairs. B. Tessiatore and P. Mesha from Wight & Co. updated the Committee on the Ridge Road/CN RR viaduct widening project. Phase I Study has been submitted to IDOT for approval. Phase II can begin prior to Phase I Study being approved. Cost for building, designing and buying R.O.W. is currently estimated at $12.8 million, with $10 million for construction (Approximately $5 million for road improvements and $5 million for structure). C. Cassem has requested funding assistance from the Illinois Commerce Commission which could pay up to 60% of the bridge structure cost, which is estimated at $5 million. Other sources of funds, i.e., Federal, State, will be needed to build the project since there are not adequate local funds. S. Bates informed the Committee that the Appellate Court denied the Blessent's request to have a large concrete culvert installed across Reddick Road south of Stonewall Road. C. Cassem explained the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network to the Committee. An agreement could be executed which would allow the County to join the Network. Network members provide and receive emergency assistance in the form of equipment and men after a disaster. Cost to Grundy County would be $250/year. Committee asked C. Cassem to provide them with more information on IPWMAN. Motion by J. Galloway and seconded by J. Almer to accept low quotes to repair two culverts on Pine Bluff Road: Claypool Subdivision quotes were "D" Construction at $9,200 and Brandt Excavating at $23,100. Holderman Road quotes were "D" Construction at $7,000 and Brandt Excavating at $22,212. Motion carried. Committee discussed potential sales tax increase for proposed Love's Truck Stop in Dwight. J. Galloway left at 5:45 p.m. Motion by D. Boggs and seconded by J. Almer to go into Executive Session. Motion by D. Boggs and seconded by J. Almer to come out of Executive Session. Motion by J. Almer and seconded by R. Severson to adjourn. Motion carried.