GRUNDY COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 17, 2009

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

Your Committee met on Thursday, December 17, 2009, 8:30 A.M. at the Highway Department to hold the regular monthly meeting. Those present were: T. Pfaff, R. Joyce, M. Throneburg, R. Severson, D. Duffy, F. Halpin, and C. Cassem. Those absent were T. Poole. Also present were: P. Froidcoeur, E. Eddy, J. Grabowski, P. Brennan, E. Leasure, R. McGuinn, J. P. Watters, and S. Bates. Motion by M. Throneburg and seconded by R. Joyce to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Motion carried. Motion by R. Joyce and seconded by F. Halpin to approve the claims. Motion carried. P. Froidcoeur representing the Minooka Methodist Church requested the County's permission to use the existing field entrance to access their property along Ridge Road for non-agriculture use. They are planning to construct a 14,000 S.F. aggregate parking area and have a 6 week soccer program in the spring and a 6 week soccer program in the fall. They will only be using the soccer fields on Sundays during their spring and summer programs. Chairman T. Pfaff stated the County's concern over temporary access permits. Mr. Froidcoeur said a new building is planned to be built on this property in 3-5 years and understood northbound and southbound turn lanes would be required on Ridge Road when the new building is constructed. The Committee is considering their request. Jim Grabowski, Minooka Administrator, updated the Committee on a Stimulus Project (ARRA) they have been working on. The project includes the installation of street lights along a portion of Ridge Road and McEvilly Road. The Village is short about $50,000 to complete the project and asked the County to participate in funding the shortfall. Mr. Grobowski said he will be asking the high school and grade school to participate also. The Committee is considering this request. Bob McGuinn addressed the Committee regarding access to his property on Broadway Road. Additional details need to be worked out regarding the subdivision of the property before access to the proposed lots can be determined. S. Bates

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lots can be determined. S. Bates updated the Committee on the bus only access on Ridge Road for the new grade school which was recently built in Minooka. A temporary construction access permit was issued to build the school and has now expired, but terms for an Intergovernmental Agreement / permanent access permit has still yet to be reached with the school. Jim Grabowski and Village President Brennan said they would try to help resolve this issue with school. C. Cassem updated the Committee on the project to store wind farm components at the Midwest Generation Site on Pine Bluff Road. The components will be used to build a wind farm near Ohio, Illinois. Committee is reviewing overweight permit fees for these heavy loads. Approximately 400 loads, many with weights over 200,000 pounds are anticipated. Committee approved paying the County's prorated share for a bridge repair on the Livingston County Line approximately 1 ½ miles west of Campus Road. County's share was $5,099.70. John Watters presented for approval an annual contract for fire and security alarm monitoring for the new highway facility. Cost is $320/year. Motion by R. Severson and seconded by R. Joyce to approve the contract. Motion carried. Motion by M. Throneburg and seconded by F. Halpin to adjourn. Motion carried.

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