

WILL COUNTY BOARD
PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 2, 2009

Will County Office Building
County Board Room
302 North Chicago Street
Joliet, IL 60432
8:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bilotta called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present were Members: Singer, Babich, Goodson, Weigel, Winfrey, Wisniewski and Bilotta.

Absent were Members: None.

Also Present:

Present from State's Attorney's Office: Melanie Manning and Matt Bedan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. McReynolds led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Wisniewski second by Ms. Goodson to approve the minutes from the May 5, 2009 meeting. On a roll call vote, Singer, Babich, Goodson, Weigel, Winfrey, Wisniewski and Bilotta voting yes. MOTION CARRIES.

OLD BUSINESS

Request by Cross Point Church for Temporary Access onto North Briggs Street (CH 52) North of Oak Avenue within the Fox Hollow Subdivision Development – Tabled at May 5, 2009 meeting

A motion was made by Ms. Goodson, second by Mr. Babich, to remove this item from table. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Bilotta stated the church is still not ready to bring this forward yet.

A motion was made by Mr. Babich, second by Mr. Singer, to remove this item from the agenda. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

Request to Approve RTA RFP

A motion was made by Mr. Wisniewski, second by Ms. Winfrey, to remove this item from table. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Palmer indicated this was a grant that we applied for through the RTA. This is for a paratransit study to look at all services that currently exist in Will County and assemble that into a document; there is nothing like that right now. We will also do a gap analysis to determine where improvements can be made. Through this process we will also have a projection of where we can go in the future. We released the RFP in April and had 4 bids returned. We interviewed 3 bidders and have selected Nelson/Nygaard. We feel they offered the most comprehensive plan. This is a \$100,000 project with an 80% - 20% split – the county is coming up with the 20% of that.

Mr. Babich questioned if they were selected because of their experience.

Mr. Palmer replied the top two firms have extensive experience with the collar counties. We thought Nelson/Nygaard were the most comprehensive.

A motion was made by Mr. Babich, second by Ms. Winfrey, to place a resolution on the County Board Agenda awarding the bid for the RTA study to Nelson/Nygaard Consulting for a total cost of \$99, 995.00. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Intergovernmental Agreement for the Installation of Radiation

Monitoring Equipment along Essex Road south of IL Route 113 (CH 28)

A motion was made by Mr. Weigel, second by Mr. Wisniewski, to place a resolution on the County Board Agenda authorizing the intergovernmental agreement for the installation of radiation monitoring equipment along Essex Road south of Route 113. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

Request by R.E. Hamilton on behalf of the Will County Health Department and Ridgewood Area Residents to Place Sanitary Sewer and Water Main under the Pavement of North Briggs Street (CH 62) north of Route 30

Mr. Hamilton stated they are trying to provide water and sewer service up Briggs Street from Route 30 to Elgin Ave. We found a 4" gas main on the west side and other utilities on the east side and there is inadequate right of way in the front yards to build the project. The water main we can put on the east side but the sewer on the west side would have to go in the street; there is no other place to do it. It is not the best solution but probably the only solution. As part of the project, the entire pavement of Briggs will be built off and repaved.

Mr. Bilotta asked if there is a way to run it up Harwood.

Mr. Hamilton answered there is no alley between Harwood and Briggs.

Mr. Bilotta questioned if this is all part of CBGD funding.

Mr. Hamilton replied it is part of CDBG funds and EPA grant.

Mr. Bilotta asked they will pay for the road replacement.

Mr. Hamilton answered we are working on that; right now we are making it part of the project.

Mr. Bilotta commented everyone is on board for getting this done for Ridgewood; we do not want to tear up the street and not have the money to put it back together.

Mr. Hamilton indicated we will know if we have the money before we tear it up.

Mr. Gould stated he was the engineer when the road was built; between the side walk and the right of way there is only 18" of open space – there is not a whole lot of room. When we received the application he suggested putting this in the sidewalk on both sides but there is the gas main on one side. There is no real place to put it other than the pavement. This has been a big issue attempting to get sewer and water in this subdivision

Mr. Singer questioned if they oversized this at all.

Mr. Hamilton replied there was no potential need for oversize; the sewer is as big as it needs to be.

Mr. Bilotta asked how we make sure there is funding to replace the road.

Mr. Hamilton answered it is a condition of the permit that the road will have to be replaced.

Mr. Gould agreed; the application includes replacement of the roadway.

A motion was made by Mr. Weigel, second by Ms. Winfrey, to approve the request by R.E. Hamilton to place sanitary sewer and water main under the pavement of North Briggs Street, from Route 30 north to Elgin Ave. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNTY BOARD

1. Resolution Confirming Award of Contract to Gallagher Asphalt Corporation (\$1,660,703.18) – Let on May 27, 2009 – CH 74 (Laraway Road) at CH 86 (Cherry Hill Road), Section 03-00138-19-FP, County Board Districts #6 & 8, Using County's allotment of RTA Tax funds

Mr. Weigel requested the resolution show the work that will be done.

Motion by Mr. Babich, second by Ms. Goodson. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

2. Resolution Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Construction Engineering with Strand Associates for the improvement of CH 74 (Laraway Road) at CH 86 (Cherry Hill Road), Section 03-00138-19-FP, County Board Districts #6 & 8, Using County's allotment of RTA Tax funds (\$156,877.79)

Motion by Ms. Goodson, second by Mr. Wisniewski. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

3. Resolution Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Design Engineering Services (Phase II) with Rogina & Associates, Ltd., for roadway and appurtenant work thereto on CH 74 (Laraway Road) at 116th Street, Section 09-00138-30-TL, County Board District #1, Using County's allotment of RTA Tax funds (\$19,822.93)

Motion by Ms. Goodson, second by Mr. Babich, with Mr. Singer abstaining. All in favor.
MOTION CARRIES.

Other Business

COUNTY ENGINEER DISCUSSION

Mr. Gould advised the committee they have completed interviews for Phase II of the 95th Street extension. They interviewed 7 consultants and short-listed to 2; we had some additional information and the final decision was made to choose URS. We are meeting at 1:00 p.m. today and will start negotiating the contract. This is a big step for this project; we hope to fast track this and be able to start construction in the fall of 2011.

Mr. Bilotta stated there is a list of the MFT distribution for FY 08, which is \$8.4 million; we stand to receive an additional \$6.6 million. This is very preliminary and still being worked on but it is great to see.

Mr. Gould indicated a representative from IDOT knew less than we did regarding distribution of this funding.

Ms. Goodson commented she heard from one person it could be over a period of 18 months.

Mr. Gould indicated it might be just a one time allotment but some have talked about it being over a 5-year period.

Mr. Bilotta stated also in the agenda is a list of emergency repair programs from IDOT. We had to put this together in a matter of hours.

Mr. Gould indicated if we get the funding for this it would be a great thing; this just came at the last moment. The Gougar Road project has gone to bid but we have not started that one; it would surely be a candidate for this.

STATE'S ATTORNEY DISCUSSION

Mr. Bilotta asked if any right of way had been acquired this month.

Ms. Manning answered we are close on most of them.

MONTHLY WORK REPORTS – Attached

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

REPORTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Babich asked about the project on Caton Farm Road east of Weber Road.

Mr. Gould answered that is a City of Crest Hill project.

Mr. Ronaldson indicated the closure is anticipated to be about 4 to 6 weeks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Bilotta stated the county will be re-evaluating certain sections of Laraway Road for the speed limits. When we initially changed that, we should have looked at it in more detail. There are IDOT standards that we follow for a reason. There are some areas that it makes sense to be at 40 MPH; the whole stretch does not. He has talked to Mr. Weigel who agrees with looking at this and to determine what the study comes in at – whether to increase some areas to 45 or 50 MPH.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Babich, second by Mr. Singer, to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 a.m. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.