**MINUTES OF A HIGHWAY, ROAD, AND BRIDGE MEETING OF THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF CARTHAGE ON MAY 29, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by committee chair Dennis Castlebury. Members in attendance included Ryan Weeks, Alex Blythe, Wayne Bollin, and Mark Menn. Elgin Berry, county engineer, was also in attendance. Absent was Mark Hanson, Mark Harrison, and Tom Rodgers.

There was lengthy discussion regarding Bluff Road south of Warsaw. Mr. Berry recommends to do microsurfacing of the road. Almost all of the county roads have been done this way. Motion was made by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Blythe, to accept the Supplemental MFT Resolution to the 2025 MFT Maintenance Program for Microsurfacing of Bluff Road in Warsaw. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”. Motion carried.

The Connable Road is completed. It is just waiting for IDOT approval. It is 2% over the bid price. W.L. Miller has 19 extra working days. The cost of this is $2000/day. There was lengthy discussion regarding this. This project could have been completed last fall. Instead of worrying about the tax payers, the company went to Missouri and completed that project. Mr. Bollin made a motion to charge W.L. Miller 19 working days. Mr. Blythe seconded the motion. All members present voted aye.

How do we protect ourselves from engineering mistakes? Does Klingner’s have a bond? Mr. Menn stated the county would like a letter from W.L. Miller stating what part of the project put this over budget. Mr. Weeks motioned to accept the engineer’s report, Mr. Bollin seconded. All members present voted aye.

Mr. Weeks asked about any training that new employees go through. What are the requirements to be hired? They need to have a Class A CDL.

Bills were gone over. Motion was made by Mr. Blythe to accept the bills, Mr. Weeks seconded. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”. Motion carried.

Motion to recess was made by Mr. Blythe, seconded by Mr. Bollin. All members present voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully,

Dennis Castlebury