

**LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
HIGHWAY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2012 MEETING**

Vice-Chairman Ruff called the meeting to order at 3:50 pm at the Livingston County Highway Department.

Present: Ruff, Weber, Weller (Arrived 3:55). Young and Runyon
Absent: Deany, Holt
Other Board Members Present: Fairfield
Others Present: Winters

Motion to approve the agenda as amended by Young, second by Runyon. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Motion by Weber, second by Young to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2012 meeting. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

COUNTY BOARD CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Letting Results: February 7, 2012 letting
2. Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation: Pike Road District, Replacement of Structure Number 053-3309 on 1300N road over Pike Creek, Section 09-20110-02--BR. Estimated Cost = \$320,000 FHWA, \$80,000 Local Agency.
3. Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation: Livingston County, cold in-place recycling and resurfacing of Ocoya Road, CH 8 from Meadows Road to I-55. Estimated cost = \$1,200,000 FHWA, \$188,000 State Matching Assistance, \$112,000 Local Agency.
4. Bridge Petition: Dwight Road District – Remove and replace approach guard rail at I-55 overpass structure on 3000N road. Estimated cost = \$40,000.
5. Relocation Agreement: Agreement between Nicor Gas Company and Livingston County for relocation of a gas line on Township Bridge Program Project, 400E road, Nebraska Township, Section 06-15106-04-BR. Estimated Cost = \$19,891.83.

Motion by Young, second by Runyon to recommend full board approval of the consent agenda items. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

CLOSED SESSION: Removed from the agenda

IDOT ROADSIDE SAFETY ASSESSMENT: In response to discussions at last month's committee meeting Winters informed the committee that he has scheduled a meeting with Dave Piper of the IDOT Bureau of Safety Engineering for tomorrow February 10, 2012 at 10:00 AM. He requested the meeting asking for assistance in developing additional economic safety measures at the intersection of CH 10 and CH 8 due to the recent fatality. Mr. Piper would like to look at system-wide problem areas as well as this intersection in hopes that a package of improvements could be submitted for grant funding under the Federal High Risk Rural Roads Program or the Highway Safety Improvement Program. He will offer assistance in conducting roadside safety assessments and grant applications.

OTHER ITEMS:

- Commonwealth Edison is refusing to move six power poles at their cost on the Nebraska Township Bridge Program project on 400E road. Com Ed's estimate for the relocation is approximately \$60,000. The company is claiming that they have prior easement to locate

their poles on the public highway and are asking for payment for the relocation. Winters and Nebraska Highway Commissioner Keith Iverson disagree. Winters has tried to convince Com Ed that they are in the wrong but has not been successful in changing the company's mind. It may take legal action to get them to move the poles. Winters is currently pursuing this action with the State's Attorney.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Motion by Weber, second by Weller to approve the bills. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

There being no further business to come before the committee, motion to adjourn the meeting by Young, second by Weber. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David R. Winters". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

David R. Winters, County Engineer