

LEE COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION AND SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022 – 8:00AM
Lee County Highway Department
1629 Lee Center Road, Amboy, Illinois 61310

The Lee County Transportation and Solid Waste Committee met at 8:00 A.M. on the above date. The following members were present: Doug Farster, Marilyn Shippert, Mike Zeman, Mike Book, and Kasey Considine. Also Present: County Engineer David Anderson.

Motion by Considine: To approve the minutes from the JULY meeting as presented. **Second by Shippert:** *Motion carried.*

County Highway Report:

Mr. Anderson reported on the following:

- Mr. Anderson presented a resolution authorizing an application to fund a region-wide action plan to reduce traffic fatalities and injuries. He explained that the Federal Government recently passed a \$365 Billion infrastructure bill into law titled “The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)”. As part the BIL, a \$5 billion portion is carved out to address roadway safety and it is known as “Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)”. In order to be eligible for these funds an agency must have an action plan to reduce fatalities and injuries. Lee County alone would not have a strong enough application for funding due to its relatively low volume of traffic fatalities and injuries, however, when combined with all the counties in the Black Hawk Hills region, the application gets much stronger. Therefore, Black Hawk Hills Regional Council is offering to assemble an application for the region to attempt to secure an 80/20 grant to write an Action Plan. If successful, each county in the region will pay for the action plan in accordance with their respective population. If the Action Plan preparation costs an estimated \$400,000, Lee County would need to pay approximately \$12,200. **Motion by Considine:** To recommend the resolution to the Executive Committee. **Second by Zeman.** *Motion carried.*

Solid Waste Report:

Mr. Book asked the committee if it was possible to get a report on the status of the legal proceedings regarding pending litigation. Mr. Farster suggested the Board Chair be approached on the best way to accomplish the request.

The next Transportation and Solid Waste Committee meeting will be on Monday, September 12, 2022, at **8:00 a.m.** at the Highway Department office in Amboy.

Motion by Considine: To adjourn at 8:56 A.M. **Second by Zeman:** *Motion carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,
David Anderson