

In-Place Executive Committee

James Carius Community Room Wednesday, April 30, 2025 *During County Board Meeting*

- I. Roll Call
- II. New Business

E-25-38

A. Recommend to Approve Addition to Project List for Federal Community Project Funding

III. Recess

Members: Chairman Brett Grimm, Vice Chairman Michael Harris,

Russ Crawford, Jay Hall, Kim Joesting, Greg Menold, Dave Mingus, Nancy Proehl, Greg Sinn, Max Schneider

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Tazewell County Board:

Your Executive Committee has considered the following RESOLUTION and recommends that it be adopted by the Board:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the County's Executive Committee recommends to the County Board to add to the list of project requests for federal community project funding and other funding sources if the opportunity becomes available, and set the priority of projects; and

WHEREAS, the County Board approved resolution E-25-23 on February 26, 2025 designating the following two transportation projects as the priorities for submitting funding requests:

- Bridge replacement for Hopedale Road over Little Mackinaw Creek (Structure 090-3024; Section 23-00040-00-BR)
- Road widening of Muller Road from East Peoria to Morton (Section 22-00019-00-WR) on February 26, 2025 (Resolution E-25-23); and

WHEREAS, the Bridge Replacement for Furrow Road over Lost Creek project was selected to receive \$500,000 through the 2025 federal community project funding process last year through the project nomination by Congressman LaHood; and

WHEREAS, federal appropriations for the 2025 federal community project funding are unlikely since a continuing resolution is funding the federal government for the remainder of the year, which does not include the funding; and

WHEREAS, the Bridge Replacement for Furrow Road (TR 141) over Lost Creek remains a high priority for the County and should be resubmitted with first priority for funding opportunities, including resubmitting for the 2026 community project funding based on the following description:

This project consists of the replacement of an existing bridge structure that has passed its design-life with being built in 1961, and carries the two-lane Township Road (Furrow Road, TR 141) over Lost Creek in the south outskirts of Pekin, IL in Tazewell County. The bridge serves residents, business, and agricultural transportation. Due to the present bridge being in a "dog-leg" alignment as it crosses Lost Creek, with current traffic, it presents safety concerns. Other detrimental characteristics include decaying timber piling, a narrow width impeding wider implements of

husbandry, and closed abutments which restrict the water flow of Lost Creek. This existing bridge is restricted to less than legal loads, thereby impeding agri-business.

WHEREAS, the two previously identified projects in resolution E-25-23 shall continue to be priorities for funding sources, subordinate to the Furrow Road Bridge Project.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board approve this recommendation and authorize the submittal of the projects for community project funding and other funding if the opportunity becomes available.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk notify the Highway Engineer and the County Board of this action.

PASSED THIS 30 th DAY OF APRIL, 2025	j.
ATTEST:	
Tazewell County Clerk	Tazewell County Board Chairman