

**Kankakee County  
Highways & Waterways Committee  
June 20, 2024**

The meeting of the Kankakee County Highways & Waterways Committee was held on June 20, 2024 and was called to order by Committee Chairman, Mr. Carrico at 9:00am. The following members were present:

Mr. Carrico, Mr. Fetherling, Mr. Dunnill, Mr. Miller, Mr. Snipes, Mr. Kerkstra, Mr. Smith, Ms. Turner, Ms. Rittmanic-Emme and Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Alexander-Hildebrand

**Members Absent** – Mr. Ashcraft

**Department Heads Present** – Greg Heiden, Ben Wilson, Delbert Skimerhorn

**Media Present** – Present

**Public Commentary**

Donna Pommier, Kankakee – Spoke opposing any boat ramp on Laurel Drive  
Gigi Howard, Kankakee – Spoke against a boat ramp on Laurel Drive  
Alexandra Hay, Kankakee – Spoke against a boat ramp on Laurel Drive  
John Wekowski, Kankakee – Spoke against the Laurel Drive Boat Ramp  
Don Linderman, Kankakee – Spoke against a boat ramp on Laurel Drive

**Minutes of the Last Meeting**

May 23, 2024

**Mr. Smith made a motion to approve, and Mr. Dunnill seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.**

**Waterways**

**Aroma Park Sediment Progress Update**

Mr. Fricke from Burke Engineering was present and provided the committee with an update.  
Bids will be opened August 13  
Discussions were held.

**Highways**

**Bidding & Letting**

None

**County Engineer Pay Estimates**

Mr. Heiden reviewed the pay estimates with the committee.

**Mr. Fetherling made a motion to combine and approve the pay estimates, and Mr. Miller seconded it. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 10 ayes and 0 nays. Voting aye were: Mr. Carrico, Mr. Fetherling, Mr. Dunnill, Mr. Miller, Mr. Snipes, Mr. Kerkstra, Mr. Smith, Ms. Turner, Ms. Rittmanic-Emme and Mr. Wheeler**

**Resolutions**

None

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

Mr. Snipes made a comment regarding the boat ramp on Laurel Road.

Mr. Heiden updated the committee on upcoming bridge work.

Mr. Heiden stated that some equipment has been received for the river and people are being trained.

Sugar Island bridge is on the 5 year plan for repairs.

Ms. Foster asked about patch work for Pembroke.

**Adjournment**

**Mr. Fetherling made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:27am, and Ms. Turner seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.**

Antonio Carrico, Committee Chairman

Kelly Bylak, Executive Coordinator

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wgkTyPslOJY&list=PLuh0IeyRukQSfmybM-E0oe-r3dEYgYxa7&index=18>