

STREETS & GRADES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
6:00 P.M. Tuesday, January 20, 2026
101 S. Illinois St., Belleville, IL

CHAIRMAN	Aldersperson Lillian Schneider, Ward 1
MEMBERS	Chairperson, Aldersperson Kent Randle, Ward 3
IN ATTENDANCE	Aldersperson Raffi Ovian, Ward 4 Aldersperson Ed Dintelman, Ward 5 Aldersperson Dennis Weygandt, Ward 7 Aldersperson Kara Osthoff, Ward 8
ABSENT/EXCUSED	Aldersperson Carmen Duco, Ward 2 Aldersperson Mary Stiehl, Ward 6
STAFF	Scott Saeger, City Engineer Jason Poole, Public Works Director Rene Thompson, Engineering Secretary
GUEST/ALDERMEN	Mayor Jenny Gain Meyer Aldersperson Bryan Whitaker, Ward 1 Aldersperson Gigi Dowling Urban, Ward 2 Alderswoman Kathy Kaiser, Ward 5 Aldersperson Chris Rothweiler, Ward 6 Brandon Beckemeyer, Oates Associates Bryan Donze, Kaskaskia Engineering
PUBLIC ATTENDING	Michael Zoeller, 11 Oak Knoll Pl. Robert Quaas, 30 Oak Knoll Pl. Kevin Rose, 13 Oak Knoll Pl. Dan Mejia, 12 Oak Knoll Pl. Ashley Mejia, 12 Oak Knoll Pl. Lisa Curtis, 20 Oak Knoll Pl. Jeus Curtis, 20 Oak Knoll Pl. Larry Betz, 6 Oak Knoll & Belleville Historic Society Tom Riley, 17 Oak Knoll Pl.

Chairperson Randle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Public Participation

(02:16) Residents of Oak Knoll subdivision stated their concerns about the condition of the brick streets, storm water erosion, maintenance of the streets and inlets.

The weight of heavy vehicles pushes the bricks down along the curbs, damaging the front of driveway aprons. Curbs at the end lack support causing them to fall out.

Erosion behind the curb between 18-20 Oak Knoll has washed out the grass and sidewalks are deteriorating due to this area being low.

The Historic Society has previously declared Oak Knoll as a Historic District. In the Historic Society Bylaws, the brick streets are to be replaced after any work has been done, to maintain the historic value. Placing concrete over the brick streets is not permitted.

Alderman Ovian added he is aware a couple of years ago the Finance Committee approved \$500,000.00 funds for non TIF Wards and wants to be sure it is in the Engineer's budget for this coming year. If there is any left, he would like to apply for some of it for Ward 4.

Alderman Ovian also requested an amount of money spent for the Riprap that was added across the street from 16 Oak Knoll as he does not believe it will solve the issues.

Approval of Minutes

(15:45) Aldersperson Schneider made a motion to approve the minutes from December 15, 2025. Aldersperson Osthoff seconded the motion. All members were all in favor by voting aye.

Director of Public Works

(16:13) Jason explained with the large number of items on the agenda, he did not have a report. However, he directed his reply from the previous meeting to Alderperson Schneider explaining the ditch work at D St. and Muren is scheduled for March. Jason has checked with Electrico for the Trail Crossing. The equipment was placed on back order; however, they have received it. Electrico did not state a date, but the project should be getting started soon.

Alderperson Ovian asks Jason when the repairs along Wesley Dr. will begin.

Jason directed the question to Scott. Scott explained the contract was awarded to Hank's Excavating. They have been performing concrete patching as weather permits. They are currently on hold with concrete patching during the cold weather. Repairs will be completed by May 1st, 2026.

New Business

1. (17:30) Appropriations Resolutions for Freeburg Ave. Roundabout

Motion to appropriate local funds for the proposed Roundabout at Freeburg Ave. intersection IL-158 and IL-13 in the amount of \$480,000.00. (TIF 3)

Alderperson Dintelman made a motion to appropriate local funds for the proposed Roundabout at Freeburg Ave. intersection IL-158 and IL-13 in the amount of \$480,000.00.

Alderperson Randle seconded the motion.

Following discussion, members voted aye in a roll call vote: Dintelman, Weygandt, Osthoff, Randle. Schneider and Ovian voted nay. Motion carries.

2. (32:47) Land Acquisition Services Proposal for W Main project, 28th - 49th Streets

Motion to enter into an agreement with Lochmueller Group, Inc. to appraise and negotiate required easements for the project in the amount of \$23,450.00. (TIF 3)

Alderperson Dintelman made a motion to enter into an agreement with Lochmueller Group, Inc. to appraise and negotiate required easements for the project in the amount of \$23,450.00.

Alderperson Weygandt seconded the motion.

Members voted aye in a roll call vote: Schneider, Ovian, Dintelman, Weygandt, Osthoff, Randle. Motion carries.

3. (33:23) Lochmueller Group, Inc. 2026 Bridge Inspection Proposal

Motion to enter into an agreement with Lochmueller Group, Inc. not to exceed \$18,000.00 for 2026 Annual Bridge Inspection services according to IDOT guidelines and National Bridge Inspection Standards.

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Alderperson Weygandt seconded the motion.

Members voted aye in a roll call vote: Schneider, Ovian, Dintelman, Weygandt, Osthoff, Randle. Motion carries.

4. (34:00) 2026-2027 NPDES Phase II Stormwater Sampling Agreement

Motion to enter into an agreement with Gonzalez Companies, LLC for FY 2026-2027 NPDES Phase II Stormwater Sampling, in the amount of \$6,400.00. (TIF 3)

Alderperson Weygandt made a motion to enter into an agreement with Gonzalez Companies, LLC for FY 2026-2027 NPDES Phase II Stormwater Sampling, in the amount of \$6,400.00.

Alderperson Osthoff seconded the motion.

Members voted aye in a roll call vote: Schneider, Ovian, Dintelman, Weygandt, Osthoff, Randle. Motion carries.

5. (35:18) SCI Phase 1 Archaeology Survey Proposal

Motion to approve Phase 1 Archaeology Survey from SCI not to exceed \$5,000.00 for Cool Valley Dr. (TIF 3)

Alderperson Weygandt made a motion to approve Phase 1 Archaeology Survey from SCI not to exceed \$5,000.00 for Cool Valley Dr.

Aldersperson Osthoff seconded the motion.

Members voted aye in a roll call vote: Schneider, Ovian, Dintelman, Weygandt, Osthoff, Randle.
Motion carries.

6. (34:38) North Douglas Ave. CDBG Application Agreement

Motion to enter into an agreement with Gonzalez Companies, LLC, not to exceed the amount of \$3,000.00 to furnish professional services in connection with North Douglas Ave. CDBG Application. (MFT & TIF 3)

Aldersperson Weygandt made a motion to enter into an agreement with Gonzalez Companies, LLC, not to exceed the amount of \$3,000.00 to furnish professional services in connection with North Douglas Ave. CDBG Application.

Aldersperson Schneider seconded the motion.

Members voted aye in a roll call vote: Schneider, Ovian, Dintelman, Weygandt, Osthoff, Randle.
Motion carries.

7. (35:50) Joint Funding Agreement

Motion to approve Joint Funding Agreement between City of Belleville and Illinois Department of Transportation for Federally Funded Construction of a proposed Roundabout at Freeburg Ave. intersection IL-158 and IL-13 to include all necessary work to complete the project. (TIF 3)

Aldersperson Weygandt made a motion to approve Joint Funding Agreement between City of Belleville and Illinois Department of Transportation for Federally Funded Construction of a proposed Roundabout at Freeburg Ave. intersection IL-158 and IL-13 to include all necessary work to complete the project.

Aldersperson Dintelman seconded the motion.

Members voted aye in a roll call vote: Dintelman, Weygandt, Osthoff, Randle.
Schneider and Ovian voted nay. Motion carries.

8. (36:35) Addendum #4 Jurisdiction and Maintenance Agreement

Motion to approve Addendum #4 Jurisdiction and Maintenance Agreement for a proposed Roundabout at the Freeburg Ave. intersection IL-158 and IL-13.

Aldersperson Weygandt made a motion to approve Addendum #4 Jurisdiction and Maintenance Agreement for a proposed Roundabout at the Freeburg Ave. intersection IL-158 and IL-13.

Aldersperson Dintelman seconded the motion.

Members voted aye in a roll call vote: Dintelman, Weygandt, Osthoff, Randle.
Schneider and Ovian voted nay. Motion carries.

9. (37:13) Request to add Streetlight between 113 & 119 S. 38th Street

Motion to approve Ameren to install a new streetlight between 113 and 119 S. 38th St. with a monthly fee; No installation fee. The light arm is proposed to be angled toward the alleyway entrance. (General Fund)

Aldersperson Schneider made a motion to approve Ameren to install a new streetlight between 113 and 119 S. 38th St. with a monthly fee; No installation fee. The light arm is proposed to be angled toward the alleyway entrance.

Alderson Weygant seconded the motion.

All members were all in favor by voting aye.

Old Business

1. (37:46) 15-Year Pavement Management Report

Chairman Aldersperson Randle gave an overview of the 15-Year Pavement Management Report. He explains the committee has been studying this for 2 months.

Following discussion, Chairman Aldersperson Randle explained the 15-Year Pavement Management Report will be forwarded to the mayor for her consideration.

Miscellaneous/Aldermanic Discussion

1. Sidewalk along Carlyle Ave.

2. (49:51) MS4 Stormwater Permit Presentation

A request by the Director of Public Works, to enter into these meeting Minutes, MS4 information has been made available for public inspection at this public meeting of the Streets and Grades Committee.

(52:17) Chairman Alderperson Randle requested the MS4 Stormwater Permit Presentation and the Sidewalk along Carlyle Ave. to be moved to next month's agenda.

Adjournment

(52:54) A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Alderperson Ovia at approximately 6:53 p.m. Alderperson Weygandt seconded the motion. All members voted eye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rene Thompson
Engineering Secretary

Date Approved: 2/17/2024
Kent M. Randle
Alderperson Kent Randle
Committee Chairperson
Scott Saeger
Scott Saeger, P.E.
City Engineer