

**MINUTES ROAD & BRIDGE COMMITTEE & INFORMATIONAL MEETING
FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2026
MASON COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

TIME			
MEETING BEGIN	MEETING END		
9:00 A.M.	9:23 AM		
NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	
SCOTT GARLISCH (CHAIRMAN)		X	
DOROTHY KREILING	X		
RON KNOLLENBERG	X		
KEN WALKER (CO. BOARD CHAIRMAN)	X		
ADAM SARNES		X	
NICK PELOW (COUNTY ENGINEER)	X		
LORI WICKMAN	X		
SUMMER BROWN	X		

The purpose of this meeting was to review and approve the claims of the County Highway Department. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved. The following items were discussed:

MAINTENANCE CREW: The Mason County Highway maintainers continued spray patching various roadways within Mason County. Weed control operations continue within the County's right of way. With the high temperatures, the maintenance crew has been blotting bleeding roadways.

2026 SEAL COAT OPERATION: Illinois Road Contractors continued the seal coat operation in various locations throughout Mason County.

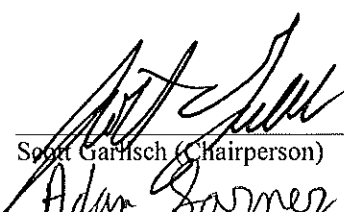
CAPE SEAL PROJECT: The proposed cape seal project located on County Highways 4 and 13 is posted on the Illinois Department of Transportation's Transportation Bulletin. The state letting for this contract will be held July 31st at 12:00 PM.

SALT CREEK TOWNSHIP BRIDGE: County Contractors, Inc. completed the Salt Creek Township Bridge project (Section 21-12116-00-BR). The road closure was lifted Tuesday July 14th.

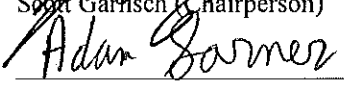
ROCKDALE SOLAR: Birch Creek and Mason County have been working on establishing a Road Use Agreement for the proposed Rockdale Solar project located Southwest of Manito. On site meetings with the developer have been conducted establishing expectations on road work prior, during and after the scope of work is completed.

ILLINOIS EPA USED TIRE REMOVAL PROGRAM: The Mason County Highway Department is requesting the Illinois EPA to assist with the removal of used tires that were illegally dumped within the County's right of way. The Mason County Highway Department and Townships within the county are requesting to participate in this program.

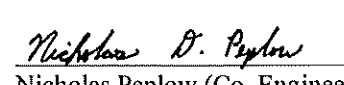
APPROVED:



Scott Garisch (Chairperson)

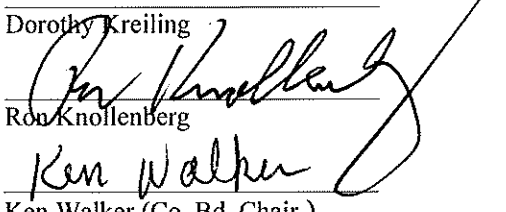


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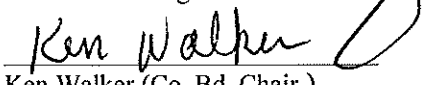


Nicholas Peplow (Co. Engineer)

Dorothy Kreiling



Ron Knoilenberg



Ken Walker (Co. Bd. Chair.)