



Township Highway Commissioners of Illinois

Division of the Township Officials of Illinois

Memo to: Township Highway Commissioners &
Road District Commissioners
From: Charlie Montgomery, President
Township Highway Commissioners of Illinois
Date: March 19, 2019
Re: 2019 IL Capital Transportation Plan
- Local Government Component

I am asking your help in educating our citizens of Illinois and our Illinois State Legislators on the strong local government funding needed for Illinois Townships and Road Districts.

Under the suggestion of Illinois Senator Chapin Rose and the Illinois Association of County Engineers, please find links below to two versions of a Letter to the Editor and a link to the Graph showing the costs versus the purchase powers of township and road districts roads, that with the help of Tazewell County Engineer Craig Fink and Piatt County Engineer Eric Seibring, I have composed.

Two versions have been composed; one is shorter than the other, as some newspapers limit the length of the letter. I am asking you to select one of these Letters to the Editor and personalize it, replace my name and title with your name and title, then send either the short version with no graph or the long version along with the graph to your local newspapers. We must get the word out if we want to gain support for this effort.

Tazewell County Engineer Craig Fink has also asked that I inquire if anyone had to return any of your current oil and chip roads back to all rock because of the lack of funding. If you have and would share your story with me, I will forward these stories on to Craig to boost our fight for a strong Illinois Local Government Component in this 2019 Illinois Capital Transportation Plan. We really need these stories.

You may send those stories to charliemthd@mchsi.com or by mail to Charlies Montgomery, 408 Maple Lane, Monticello, Illinois 61856. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at 217-202-6198.

This can't be done by one or just a few highway/road district commissioners. This will take an "army" to get our need recognized. Together we can get this done!!

[Graph - Costs vs Purchas Power](#)

[Letter to the Editor Short Version \(250 Words\)](#)

[Letter to the Editor Long Version \(752 Words\)](#)