

	Public Works Committee APPROVED MINUTES Monday, August 7, 2023 – 6:00 pm Health & Human Services Center – Community Room 303 W. Chapel Street Dodgeville, Wisconsin	Iowa County Wisconsin
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<i>Any subject on this agenda may become an action item.</i>		
1	Call to order. The Public Works Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Supervisor Gollon.	
2	Roll Call: All members present: Sup. Butteris, Galle, Gollon, Kreul, and Leix. Others Present: Commissioner Hardy, Administrator Bierke, Sup. Masters, C Peterson, and Meyers. Citizens – Doug Carden. Present Via Zoom: LCD Director Abbott.	
3	Consider Consent Agenda, Minutes, and next meeting date / time. Sup. Kreul moved to approve, seconded by Sup. Galle the agenda for this meeting, the minutes from the June 12, 2023 Public Works meeting. Motion to approve unanimous.	
4	Next meeting will be held on Monday August 28 th .	
5	Report from Committee members and the public. Mr Leix expressed concerns for the growth of invasive weeds along the State highways due to the once per year by July 15 th state mowing policy. Galle concurred with his statements. Masters commented on the completed STH 39 mill and resurface between STH 18 and Mineral Point. Mr. Carden requested five minutes of time from the Committee to present on his concerns regarding the CTH T reconstruction project and its' effect at his driveway. Mr Carden presented to the Committee regarding his concerns related to new right of way and request for vacation of some existing; request to consider installing a 2-foot high retaining wall along his drive; driveway intersection angle with CTH T; and turning radius templates for the Brigham Fire Truck.	
6	Review of Departmental Policies: A. – C. Review of Policy 1106.0-1106.2 Utility Accommodation. Some discussion of the process and situations regarding compensable utility relocations. Motion to approve by Butteris and seconded by Galle. Motion approved unanimously. B. D-E Policy 1201 and 1202. Update from Leix with regards to Land Conservation Committee's review and vetting of the policies. Motion to approve by Leix, seconded by Kreul. Motion approved unanimously.	
7	Discussion of Grant opportunities: A. WDNR – Committee expressed an interest in pursuing grant opportunities which would improve public boating and recreational access on existing county properties – STH 130 Otter Creek Landing, the County Farm pond, and along CTH E Mifflin.	

	B. WisDOT / FHWA. Committee expressed an interest in pursuing grant opportunities related to improvements of county highways, even if the project includes improvements to a state corridor (USH 18/151 for example) at a county-federal costs hare. If the grant includes a city or village component, the committee would like to see the community on record with a resolution in support of the improvements to accompany the grant application.
8	Work Zone Temporary Speed Limits Ordinance. Committee reviewed an Ordinance authorizing the Highway Commissioner to post temporary speed limit reductions within work zones where the Iowa County Highway Department staff are working as appropriate for the type of work being performed as deemed per the Ordinance. Motion by Kreul, seconded by Galle. Some discussion of the format for the Ordinance versus the historic format of a Resolution basis. The Commissioner will work with Corp Counsel to modify the format for the Ordinance to address the concerns raised. The Ordinance would go before the Board for consideration upon its' completion. Motion approved unanimously.
9	Review Railroad Commission and Committee reports. Some discussion of the Wisconsin River Rail Transit projects in Mazomanie and Janesville. Per the packets, the proposed 2024 budget for the Commission is unchanged at \$30,000 / county. Summaries in the packets.
10	Highway Commissioner Hardy provided a Powerpoint slide deck covering updates on the following projects: A. Amended Right of Way Plat and Relocation Order for CTH T - CTH ID to CTH H Towns of Arena/Brigham/Ridgeway. B. 2023 Project updates. C. Fleet age report and operations use. D. Funding for projects source and amounts. E. Sealcoat Program Discussion. F. County-Township 50-50 Bridge Program Attorney General Opinion OAG 04-23. G. CTH YD STP-BIL Local Project Award – \$500,000 Construction Funding. H. WisDOT - Surface Transportation Improvement Project (STIP) Listing 2023-28. I. Position Recruitment Update (2 State Section, 1 County Section, Shop Lead vacancies) J. Reclassification of Winter Plow Equipment Trucks for Brine Application. K. Shop Crane and Sling Inspections. L. Speed Liit Change requests for the Village of Barneveld CTH T and Cobb CTH G. M. Asphalt Plant improvement pictorial tour and update. N. Brine Building pictorial tour and project update. Discussion of the proposed brine maker system operations, winter operations, and project schedule.
8	Adjournment. Motion by Sup. Leix and seconded by Sup. Galle to adjourn at 8:06pm. Motion Carried.
Minutes prepared and submitted by Craig Hardy; Highway Commissioner.	