



Public Works Committee APPROVED MINUTES
Monday March 31, 2025 – 6:00 pm
Health & Human Services Center – Community Room
303 W. Chapel Street
Dodgeville, Wisconsin

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Any subject on this agenda may become an action item.

1	Call to order. The Public Works Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Gollon at 6:00 pm.
2	Roll Call. (Committee & Audience) Members Present: Supervisors Butteris, Galle, Gollon, Kreul, Leix Others Present: Sup. Paull and Meyers; Commissioner Hardy, Administrator Bierke, Treasurer Heisner. Others Present Via Zoom: NONE.
3	Consent Agenda: One motion to adopt all of the consent agenda items: A. Approve the meeting Agenda for March 31, 2025. B. Approve the Minutes of March 3, 2025 meeting. C. Next meeting: Monday May 5, 2025 at 6:00PM. Hardy commented the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission (WRRTC) Chair requested the committee postpone action on Item #5 of the agenda – consideration of a Resolution of Resignation from the WRRTC to the May meeting to allow the WRRTC chair and a rail representative to discuss with the committee prior to any action. Sup. Gollon stated as Committee Chair, he is leaving the item on the agenda for the committee to discuss. Motion to approve the Agenda for March 31, 2025 as posted, and to approve the minutes from the March 3, 2025 meeting, and the next meeting date to be on Monday, May 5, 2025 at 6:00pm moved by Sup. Leix and seconded by Sup. Butteris with one correction to the Agenda Date for this meeting being Monday March 31, 2025 in lieu of the Monday March 30, 2025 date listed in the packets. Motion to approve with correction as noted, unanimous.
4	Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee. No action will be taken. Sup. Kreul noted legislative bill SB3 which proposes to create a process for the consideration of new wind and solar public utility development projects allowing local government input to the permitting process. Sup. Leix requested an update on the LOC agreement with Badger Hollow. Hardy commented the LOC with Badger Hollow Solar has been agreed to and completed. The Draft agreement with Badger Hollow Wind was sent back with edits to the Developer for further discussion. Hardy stated the Draft agreement addressed issues with road closures, oversize loads, and road damage evaluations / assessments. Sup. Leix commented on the condition of the Lehner Road and STH 18 intersection needing repairs. Hardy advised WisDOT was to review the location and provide guidance on repairs. No other comments.
5	Consider Resolution to Withdraw from the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission. Motion by Sup. Galle to postpone the item for further discussion at the May 5, 2025 Public Works Committee meeting with the WRRTC Chair and a WSOR representative. Seconded by Leix. Some discussion of the

	Resolution, concerns with rail use, and railroad improvement and maintenance issues. The committee developed a list of questions for the WRRTC and WSOR to address at the May meeting. Discussion of the timeline for Notice to the WRRTC of adoption of the Resolution to resign if approved, and a proposal to move funding of the County contribution to the County Capital Improvement Plan. Motion to postpone to the May 5, 2025 Public Works Committee meeting approved unanimously.
6	Discuss County Trunk Highway (CTH) Improvements. Hardy provided a PowerPoint to illustrate the condition of the CTH system in the County with regards to roadway improvements and repairs. Hardy provided a summary of the age of the CTH system, some history of the improvement cycle for the system, some comparisons of project improvement costs for CTHs depending on the type of improvement made on classification of highway, some discussion of Class B highway posting designations versus Class A and what they mean, and a summary of projects. Discussion of recent and current project funding (CTH F,T, and C) along with options for the CTH C project to reduce the County share of or final cost of depending on funding.
7	Highway Commissioner's Report A. Summer Work Schedule and Project Listing. B. Unit #149 Sign Truck Major Repair completion. C. Employment position update – State Section, County Section, and Highway Accountant. D. Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission update. E. Tri-county Cheese Trail Meeting updates.
8	Committee Chair's Report. Discussion of the Military ridge Trail maintenance and condition. Hardy commented the County is not involved with the Military Ridge Trail as it is WisDOT and WDNR jurisdiction, the County is not involved with maintenance or improvement.
9	Adjournment. Motion by Sup. Kreul and seconded by Sup. Galle to adjourn at 7:26pm. Motion carried.
Minutes prepared by Craig Hardy; Highway Commissioner.	

Posted by County Clerk's Office on 4/2/2025, Barbara Weinbrenner