

UNAPPROVEED MINUTES Public Works Committee

Monday September 30, 2019 – 6:00 pm Health & Human Services Center – Room 1001 303 W. Chapel Street Dodgeville, Wisconsin

Iowa County Wisconsin

| 1 | The meeting was called to order by at 6:00 P.M. by Chair Sup. Gollon. |
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| 2 | - Roll Call. Members present: Supervisors Butteris, Leix, Meyers, and Storti; Excused absence – Masters. Others Present: Commissioner Hardy, Administrator Bierke, Sups Deal, Paull, and Meek. |
| 3 | Sup. Storti moved to approve the agenda for this meeting. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Carried unanimously. |
| 4 | Sup. Storti moved to approve the minutes of the meeting. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Carried unanimously. |
| 5 | Comments from the public or committee. Hardy provided an email questioning the process for selection of roads to be painted in the county; which will be discussed in the Commissioner's report. Sup Leix questioned the utility or Digger's hotline markings along STH 18 from Montfort and Cobb and what they might be for. There are a number of projects in the county ranging from the Solar Farm project to ATC expansion to WisDOT living snow fence planting project, which it could be related to any of them. Commissioner will follow up to see if there are any other projects; which it could be related to, and advise Sup. Leix. |
| 6 | Review the right of way and relocation orders for CTH F in Blanchardville and CTH H bridge in the Town of Arena. Some discussion of the relocation of CTH F in Blanchardville to build a new connection point to STH 78 north of the village. The village favors the new connection as it allows looping of village water utility, which doesn't occur now for that end of CTH F. Discussion of vacating the old portion of CTH F in the village to the Village upon completion of the new connection point. Discussion of the DNR property along the south side of the CTH H bridge project and the limitations caused by it. Motion by Storti and seconded by Leix to approve the Right of Way Plats and Relocation Orders and file with the County Clerk's Office, which authorizes the Commissioner to begin acquisitions. |
| 7 | Resolution to establish Fees for Programs and Services from the Planning and Zoning Department. Motion to approve by Leix, seconded by Butteris. Motion approved unanimously. |
| 8 | Resolution Directing Specific Annualized Short-term Debt Service for Highway Improvements. Review of supplemental information including a matrix of borrowing amounts, effects of borrowing on the tax levy, and the tax levy amounts for the townships across the county. Discussion of the backlog of highway improvement projects in the county and the effect of the proposed Jail Building borrowing on the highway department operations and their 5-year capital plan. Motion by Storti and seconded by Meyers to send the County Board for review and discussion. Further discussion by committee of other potential solutions to acquiring the needed funding for the county's road and ridge infrastructure. Motion carried unanimously. |
| 9 | Highway Commissioner's Report. Hardy presented a powerpoint to address several topics: A. Update on the progress of the Highland Salt Shed and discussion of conversations with WisDOT |

- on funding their share of the facility. Reviewed pictures of the foundation and site grading.
- B. Commissioner advised committee of changes to the 2020 budget based on proposed wage increases and the changes to the health care plans, which increases the department's levy to cover those increases (+/- \$87,000).
- C. Discussion of requests in Ridgeway and Waldwick for pavement markings on county roads. Commissioner provided information related to the 5.1M linear feet of markings on the county system, and the department is working towards a four-year cycle for remarking. The waterborne paints should be performed annually (state roads), but the county currently devotes \$65-70,000 / year on a 4-year cycle. This may become an issue as autonomous cars are implemented; because they use pavement markings to follow the roadways.
- D. E. and F. Commissioner provided a summary of the culverts ordered to-date to be replaced as a result of the 2019 rainfalls. Pointed out two culvert are larger in cost being on CTH T near Far Look Road, and CTH N near Old STH 80. Reviewed photos of the structures, the two box culverts will cost around \$165,000 and \$75,000 each to replace. Sup Gollon asked if funds were identified for the project yet? Hardy stated they are not funded in 2019. The CTH T project may fit into the 2020 Routine Maintenance budget, however; the CTH N project is a bigger funding problem. Staff will perform some maintenance to hold them together and in service for a few years, while he tries to develop a plan. If there is a carryover from the 2019 operations, we could ask the Board to transfer from the Highway Fund balance in 2020 to complete the project. For now the structure will be shored/strengthened to remain in service.
- G. Hardy summarized repairs being made to trucks 105/125/132/133/85/186 at a cost of \$50,000+ (roughly \$8,500/each) as a result of box sill and box corner corrosion. Truck repairs were prioritized based on service life until replacement can be performed at the current capital plan. The trucks will remain in service for 1 to 4 years depending on the unit number; or longer if the capital plan is cut due to redirection of borrowing for the Jail Building.
- H. Hardy provided a pictorial visit of the new CTH G bridge project which was re-opened in early September.
- I. Hardy provided a pictorial review of pothole and edge of pavement repairs being performed on CTH T birch Lake and CTH F Blanchardville with roughly 300-400 tons of asphalt pavement per location. At normal wedging costs, this amounts to repairs of \$24,000 to \$32,000 per roadway as a result of the crumbling surfaces.
- J. Hardy provided the WisDOT Surface Transportation Improvement Project (STIP) Listing for the County for information.
- 10 The next meeting date is scheduled for Monday October 28, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.
- Sup. Storti moved to adjourn the meeting. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M.

Minutes by Commissioner Hardy 10-15-2019.