

	APPROVED MINUTES Public Works Committee Monday June 28, 2021 – 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 6:01 P.M. by Chair Gollon.	
2	- Roll Call. Members present: Supervisors Butteris, Deal, Masters, Storti. - Others Present: Sup. Benish, Corp Counsel Morzenti, Commissioner Hardy, Operations Manager Sudmeier.	
3	Sup. Masters moved to approve the agenda for this meeting. Sup. Deal seconded the motion. Carried unanimously. Sup. Storti moved to Approve the minutes of the June 1, 2021 meeting. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Carried unanimously. Next meeting date was set to be held on Monday August 6, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.	
4	There were no public comments. None.	
5	Review and Approval of the Blackhawk Lake Operations Agreement. Motion to approve by Storti, Seconded by Butteris. Discussion of changes that were made in Section #4 regarding funding for repairs of dam, amounts to be contributed by the parties, and special fund set aside amounts. Discussion of Section #7 requirements to work with the zoning office regarding building improvements. Motion passed unanimously.	
6	Resolution to establish a fund to repair or replace the dams at Blackhawk Lake. Motion to approve by Storti, seconded by Masters. Discussion of portions of the funding resolution. Establishes a Special Fund in the County finances that both entities contribute to. Authorizes funding at a level of 3:1 County : Park match up to a maximum of \$40,000 County. Requires both the County and Park Commission to sign off to authorize use of the funding. Motion passed unanimously.	
7	Land Conservation Department update. Conservationist Abbott provided an update on project the department is working on including: Twin Parks Dam #6 (Dugway) repairs, Twin Parks #7 (Birch Lake) contracts 1 thru 3 for repairs, phosphorous reduction field work, groundwater study, target runoff management grant, in person training in 2021, July 11 th Farmer's Appreciation Day festivities, and signups for a no-till cover crop cost share program. Sups. Were to follow up with Director Abbott with any further questions.	
8	Utility Accommodation Policy Supplemental Conditions Policy #1106.1 Review. Sup. Masters asked for the item on the agenda to discuss work zones and issues from his perspective. Discussed a work zone setup along STH 18 west of Cobb. The project was performed by WisDOT for installation and watering of living snow fence barrier that was installed. The plantings were installed, then the work zone devices were left in place for 3 to 4 weeks on the shoulder of STH 18, limiting the lane width for eastbound traffic. Masters stated it was problematic for him to navigate spring equipment moves due to the limitation on the shoulder versus equipment sizes, therefore; he caused some backups and delays to unhappy travelers. Masters had been moving equipment with spring planting operations, and caused some delays/backups, and frustration by drivers due to the lane reduction and slower moving traffic.	

	Discussion of work zone etiquette and if devices are removed when no one is working on site. Hardy commented for state projects, the County coordinates with WisDOT permitting office to address issues; but WisDOT permitting office and the contractor have to resolve. The County does not perform any work to correct unless directed specifically by the Department to do so, due to liability issues with temporary traffic control closures and work zone setups. Discussed changes by WisDOT regarding a WZS field manual to gain consistency in work zone setups statewide for all operations (state, county, utility, other), but there is still areas where improvement could occur, especially with length of zones. Also, discussed leaving work zones closed for extended periods of work if no one working or no activity. Masters thanked Sudmeier for his role in having he devices removed by the state, as no one was working in the area for quite some time. Hardy stated the County removes work zone devices from lanes of traffic and over weekends as long as no one is working in the area, and there are no hazards to motorists. In this instance the site is not a County work area (not a county worksite or permitted by the County), so for liability reasons the department cannot modify the devices, but work with the state to coordinate changes.
9	Review proposed amendments to the Highway Access Control Ordinance #800.02. Motioned by Deal, seconded by Storti. Discussion of the proposed changes being primarily due to clarifying the Department's policy regarding driveway usage and replacement during improvement projects. Hardy commented he had been working with Corp Counsel to resolve some issues with driveways, the driveway ordinance, and state statue 86.05. As a result of a project on CTH BB in 2020, a landowner (who was before the committee in May) was requesting a driveway access be installed by the County. Hardy summarized the revisions to the Ordinance being relate dot clarifying three types of accesses being utilized by residents: 1. Official driveway which are permitted and installed in accordance with the Ordinance; 2. Pre-existing access which is an access meeting certain criteria having been in place prior to the 1968 aerals and the ordinance development; 3. Non-conforming access which is an access point to the roadway without anything defining its location. (IE residents driving in and out of the ditch at various locations). Hardy also stated statue 86.05 provides requirements for replacement of driveway with improvement projects. The Department policy of matching driveways on improvements projects "in kind". The Public Purpose Doctrine that codifies types of projects the County should be involved in with use of taxpayer funds. And, the proposed revisions address these issues by clarifying what is a driveway; which drives meet the requirements to be improved with highway improvements; and what requirements fall on landowners for those three situations. Approved unanimously.
10	Highway Commissioner's Report: Hardy provided the following information. • Due to revisions to traffic attenuators by FHWA, the County replaced an attenuator in 2020. WisDOT offered to pay the County for the unit purchased due to excess funds from the state 2020 fiscal year. So, WisDOT reimbursed the County for the purchase of the unit which is a Scorpion trailer mounted attenuator and due to its' length would primarily be used on the state system. • A road use agreement had been drafted per the stipulations of the Blackhawk Lake agreement approved earlier in the meeting. Hardy reviewed the agreement with the committee reviewing which roads were under County versus Park jurisdiction. Also, discussed scenario and procedures for County jurisdiction roadway closures within the Park. • Provided a handout summary of the equipment auction results for the spring 2021 auction. Discussion of prices received for the equipment and the range of pricing versus book values. Discussion of relinquishment timeframes and replacement schedules of equipment to determine optimum dispersal timing to cover book or salvage values versus financial write offs for losses. Hardy stated sales should occur between 1 and 1.5 times the depreciation based on the type of equipment/vehicle and the depreciation schedules. Gollon requested a bigger discussion of

	equipment and depreciation value at a future meeting. • Hardy provided updates for projects on CTH F, II, T(Birch Lake), H, N, and NN. In addition, advised of state projects on STH 39, 80-133, and 23. • Hardy advised that American Transmission Company had reached out to the department to begin discussion and negotiation on a road use agreement for the ATC Cardinal –Hickory Creek project. • Hardy provided updates on the Business Manager position being filled on 6/28/21, the summer seasonal having 4 of 6 positions filled, and the GIS intern position which was not filled in 2021.
11	Sup. Storti moved to adjourn the meeting. Sup. Deal seconded the motion. Carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.
Minutes Prepared and Submitted by Craig E Hardy, Highway Commissioner on 6/30/2021.	