



ROCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Highways & Parks

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Public Works Committee Meeting – Highway Minutes
Tuesday, May 25, 2021 – 8:00 a.m.
Public Works Department – Committee Room
3715 Newville Road
Janesville, WI 53545

Call to Order. Chair Richard called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 8:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Richard, Mawhinney, Mulligan and Rashkin.

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Yeomans.

<u>Staff Members:</u>	Duane Jorgenson	Director of Public Works
	Nick Elmer	Assistant Director of Public Works
	Amy Hartley	Secretary II
	Francene St. Michael	Stock Clerk
	Terri Carlson	Risk Manager

Others Present: None.

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Rashkin moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Mawhinney. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes Dated April 27, 2021. Supervisor Mawhinney moved approval of the minutes as presented, second by Supervisor Rashkin. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements. Mr. Jorgenson discussed a near-miss accident with a DPW attenuator on May 17, 2021, the importance of this machinery and the dangers of highway work.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Discussion and Possible Action – Issue Paper – Purchase of One (1) Semi Tractor. Supervisor Mawhinney moved the issue paper, second by Supervisor Mulligan. Mr. Elmer reviewed and discussed the issue paper. ADOPTED.

Discussion and Possible Action – Issue Paper – Consider Development of an Adopt-a-Highway Program. Supervisor Mulligan moved the issue paper, second by Supervisor Rashkin. Mr.

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Jorgenson reviewed, discussed and answered questions from the committee regarding the issue paper. Mr. Jorgenson will discuss further with the Rock County Sheriff's Office, Corporation Counsel and interested individual and present additional information at a future meeting. ADOPTED.

Update and Discussion – Equipment Replacement Policy. Mr. Jorgenson presented graphs, discussed and reviewed the Equipment Replacement Policy. Mr. Jorgenson discussed the practicality of blending three methods: 1) Equivalent Annual Cost of Maintenance, 2) Depreciation and 3) Points System. Mr. Jorgenson is developing a policy he will present at a future meeting.

Update and Discussion – Town Meeting Regarding Town Rates. Mr. Jorgenson reviewed the town rates meeting from May 13, 2021. Eight towns attended the meeting and were satisfied with the results.

Update and Discussion – Wisconsin Towns Association Meetings. Mr. Jorgenson announced the Wisconsin Towns Association Meeting will be held at DPW on June 22, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. Committee members are encouraged to attend and socialize with new town board members.

Review of Payments. Mr. Jorgenson explained purchases and answered questions from the committee.

Next Meeting Date: The next Highway Committee meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2021, at 8:00 a.m. at the Department of Public Works.

Adjournment. Supervisor Rashkin moved adjournment at 8:46 a.m., second by Supervisor Mawhinney. ADOPTED.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy J. Hartley, Secretary II