



ROCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Public Works Committee – Highway Minutes
Thursday, May 11, 2017 – 8:00 a.m.
Public Works Department- Committee Room
3715 Newville Road
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Call to Order. Chair Bussie called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 8:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present. Supervisors Arnold, Bussie, Driscoll, Fox and Richard

<u>Staff Members:</u>	Amy Friend	Secretary II
	Duane Jorgenson	Interim Director of Public Works
	Annette Mikula	Human Resources Director
	Josh Smith	County Administrator
	Mike Turk	Shop Superintendent

<u>Others Present:</u>	Sandra Kraft	County Board Vice Chair
	J. Russell Podzilni	County Board Chair

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Arnold and Fox moved today's amended agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. None.

County Board Chair Podzilni arrived at 8:04 a.m.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Consider Approval of Purchase of Equipment-One Extended Cab Pickup Chassis. Supervisors Richard and Fox moved the Approval of Purchase. Mike stated the money was budgeted for the purchase and it was from the State bid. Mike stated this is a replacement vehicle for a Foreman. The Foreman's old truck will be added to the current fleet. Discussion took place on if this was a budgeted item or if the money was in the budget. Duane stated the funds are authorized in the budget and DPW prepares an equipment list numbered by the priority of equipment needs.

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DPW purchases the equipment in order from the list until the funds are depleted. Discussion took place on taking a tour of the DPW shop. Duane stated the tour of the DPW shop is scheduled on June 8. MOTION CARRIED.

Mike Turk departed at 8:09 a.m.

Consider Approval of Resolutions Recognizing Retiring Department of Public Works Employees Jose Campos and Michael Wincapaw. Supervisors Fox and Driscoll moved the Approval. MOTION CARRIED.

Annette Mikula arrived at 8:14 a.m.

CTH A & Austin Road Update. Duane stated at the last meeting citizen Renae Henry and County Board Supervisor Karl Dommershausen brought concerns about safety and traffic levels on CTH A. Duane stated the tree issue had already been addressed. Discussion took place on the overhead light request and reducing the speed limit. Duane stated the County does not as a practice put lighting in intersections. The speed zone could be reduced by 10 mph. Duane stated he looked at accident reports from 2011 – 2015, and only one accident had happened at the intersection. Duane stated he had requested a more recent accident study from Captain Maurer and hadn't received them yet. Discussion took place on if the Committee wanted a traffic study similar to one on CTH J and Avalon Road. Duane stated the cost for that study was around \$5700. The Committee decided to table the issue until the updated accident study was received from the Sheriff's office.

CTH F (North) Public Involvement Meeting Update. Duane reported that last Thursday was the third and final Public Involvement Meeting on CTH F (North) attended by 15 people. The focus was on the Indianford area. This portion is a Federal Aid construction project. The South and North portion doesn't have Federal Aid for construction. Duane stated that in 2018 we will be looking to apply for Federal Aid for the North portion. The meeting went very well with a lot of dialogue. Discussion took place on the challenges of this project and how it is good people are attending the meetings and getting involved.

Project Plan Status Update. Duane provided the Committee with handouts of DPW's project plan list and provided a poster sized one on the wall. Duane stated he has worked with the Superintendents piecing this list together and refining it for about one year. The plan lists the highway projects and the percentage of completion for each project. The plan is updated every other week. Duane stated the plan was developed for a better use of our resources. Discussion took place on several projects on the list. Discussion took place on sharing the project plan with County Board Supervisors and periodically bringing the updated plan back to the Committee.

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Set Next Meeting Date. The next Highway meeting will be Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at the Department of Public Works.

County Board Vice Chair Kraft arrived at 8:39 a.m.

Executive Session. Supervisor Arnold moved to go into Executive Session at 8:40 a.m., Supervisor Fox seconded per Section 19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats., Interviews of Finalists for Public Works Director. ADOPTED on a roll call vote with the following: Ayes – Supervisors Arnold, Bussie, Driscoll, Fox and Richard. All present.

Supervisor Fox moved to go out of Executive Session at 11:30 a.m., Supervisor Bussie seconded. ADOPTED on a roll call vote with the following: Ayes – Supervisors Arnold, Bussie, Driscoll, Fox and Richard. All present.

Adjournment. Supervisor Richard and Arnold moved to adjourn at 11:30 a.m. MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy J. Friend
Secretary II