



ROCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Public Works Committee – Highway Minutes
Thursday, August 10, 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.

Committee Members Absent. None.

Staff Members:

Amy Friend	Secretary II
Duane Jorgenson	Director of Public Works
Jodi Timmerman	Corporation Counsel
Michael Turk	Shop Superintendent

Others Present:

Chris Dry	EMCS, Inc.
Jeff Hanson	EMCS, Inc.

Approval of Agenda. Supervisors Arnold and Driscoll moved today's Agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes of July 13, 2017. Supervisors Arnold and Fox moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. Mr. Jorgenson shared a letter that Mr. Mark O'Connell, Executive Director of Wisconsin Counties Association, had received from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. The letter states the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is transitioning away from using management consultants to aid in the management of the Local Program. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation will be shifting the responsibilities to in-house staff.

Mr. Dry and Mr. Hanson from the engineering firm EMCS, Inc. introduced themselves to the committee. They stated the engineering firm EMCS, Inc. is on the 2017 Rock County Roster of Eligible Consultants. Mr. Hanson expressed that EMCS, Inc. would like to be more involved in working for Rock County. Chair Bussie thanked them for coming and introducing themselves.

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HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Discussion and Possible Action – Purchase of One Excavator Mounted Mulcher/Shredder.

Supervisors Arnold and Richard moved the purchase of one excavator mounted mulcher/shredder from Fabick for \$78,650. Discussion took place on only having one bidder. Supervisor Richard suggested having an explanation on the issue paper in the agenda packet of why there was only one bidder. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion and Possible Action – Purchase of one Kage KBSS 12' Snowstorm System. Supervisors Fox and Arnold moved the purchase of one Kage KBSS 12' Snowstorm System from Mid-State Equipment for \$11,000. Mr. Turk handed out a picture of the system. He explained it was a pusher type plow with an attached box plow for the Airport tractor. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Turk departed at 8:09 a.m.

Resolution: Amending Chapter 3 (Public Peace and Order) of the Rock County Code of Ordinances. Supervisors Fox and Driscoll moved the Resolution Amending Chapter 3 (Public Peace and Order) of the Rock County Code of Ordinances. Mr. Jorgenson explained the CTH H Bridge over Bass Creek is currently being replaced. During the design phase, it was determined that current speed zone locations required a design length of the beamguard treatment that would impact access and usability of the parcel to the northwest of the bridge. By extending the 25 mph speed zone northerly, the beamguard length could be reduced and the impact to the property northwest of the bridge could be minimized. With the extension of the 25 mph speed zone, the 45 mph speed zone limits will also need to be adjusted. He indicated when the bridge opened the new speed zones would be in place. Mr. Jorgenson stated this was on the County Board Agenda for tonight. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion and Possible Action – Encroachment Process – CTH F (North). Mr. Jorgenson handed out an encroachment inspection report on the encroachments that have significant impacts on CTH F (North). He explained that the encroachments need to be resolved. Discussion took place on the encroachment process. Mr. Jorgenson had Ms. Timmerman draft a Revocable Occupancy Permit. Mr. Jorgenson handed out a draft of the Revocable Occupancy Permit. Discussion took place on the Revocable Occupancy Permit.

Supervisor Richard made a motion to allow the Rock County Public Works Department to utilize the Revocable Occupancy Permit in certain situations. Supervisor Fox seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion – CTH E Parking Issue. Mr. Jorgenson stated that concerns were raised from local residents related to safety issues caused by patrons of a commercial property parking on both sides of CTH E. He stated this issue has been brought to and discussed by the Rock County Traffic Safety Commission, the Rock County Sheriff's Office and the Rock County Department of Public Works. The concerns from the residents were limited site distance when pulling out of a driveway and patrons crossing CTH E. Discussion took place on no parking zones as defined in Rock County ordinances. This item will be put on the September Agenda.

Discussion – Community Engagement Meeting for CTH MM (August 17, 2017 from 5-6 p.m.).

Mr. Jorgenson handed out a letter from MSA about notification of the Community Engagement Meeting for CTH MM on August 17, 2017 from 5-6 p.m.

Discussion – Street Light Request – CTH S & CTH J Intersection – Town of Turtle. Mr. Jorgenson stated the Town of Turtle is interested in a street light in CTH S & CTH J Intersection due to safety concerns. The Town of Turtle is ok with paying for the street light. Discussion took place on the estimated cost of the street light. The consensus of the Committee was the Town of Turtle could put a street light at the intersection of CTH S & CTH J with no expense to the County. Mr. Jorgenson will relay this information to them.

Discussion – CTH BT & CTH S Intersection Update. Mr. Jorgenson stated at the last meeting two students from Beloit Turner High School presented a request for a street light at the intersection of CTH BT & CTH S. Mr. Jorgenson stated that no accidents have occurred at that intersection. Discussion took place if a light was deemed necessary at that intersection. Discussion on the estimated costs of installing a street light. Chair Bussie instructed Mr. Jorgenson to send a letter to the two students when the outcome of the issue is resolved.

Review of Payments. Review was completed.

Next Meeting Date. The next Highway meeting will be Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at the Department of Public Works.

Adjournment. Supervisor Arnold and Fox moved to adjourn at 8:48 a.m. MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy J. Friend
Secretary II