

Public Works Committee Minutes
Thursday, November 14, 2013 – 8:00 a.m.
Public Works Department Committee Room

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

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

Committee Members Absent. None

Parks Advisory Committee Members: Floyd Finney, Dean Paynter and Tom Presny

Staff Members:	Ben Coopman	Public Works Director
	Deb Lawton	Secretary II
	Lori Williams	Parks Director

Others Present:	Nick Osborne	Assistant to the County Administrator
	Allan Arndt	Town of La Prairie
	Arch Morton, Jr.	Town of La Prairie
	Kirk Leach	Town of La Prairie
	Jeff Waller	Town of La Prairie
	Scot Krebs	Town of La Prairie

Approval of Agenda. Supervisors Fox and Bussie moved today's agenda, deleting item 6c. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes. Supervisors Richard and Fox moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements. None.

PARKS BUSINESS

Discussion and Possible Action – Request to Rename Properties at 3901 and 3911 Riverside Drive – Indianford. Nick Osborne stated these properties are adjacent to Indianford Park. They were acquired with FEMA funding following recent flooding. Because these properties were purchased at a lower price than they had been valued at in the past, the sellers requested that the property be named after the family. These properties are to be incorporated into Indianford Park and would be used for parking and a restroom added to the site. The County ordinance on naming was discussed. The ordinance states the person must be a resident of Rock County and have been of significant public service to the County. Supervisor Fox brought up the fact that the park already has a name and he does not support renaming these parcels. Chair Yankee wants to follow the county policy and keep it as Indianford Park. Supervisors Bussie and Richard moved to follow the policy of the County as this park already has a name. MOTION CARRIED.

Approve Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract for Gibbs Lake Park Shelter. Supervisors Fox and Bussie moved the resolution, awarding the contract to DBR Builders of Beloit for \$33,237. Lori Williams explained this exceeds the amount budgeted by \$3,237. The

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difference will be covered by reallocation of savings on other projects within the Parks Capital Improvement Account. This shelter will be erected in the equestrian parking lot area. Rock County Parks Division and the Multi-Use Trail Group will be purchasing shelter structure and installation with 50/50 matching funds. The site preparation groundwork will be completed by the Rock County Department of Public Works to the bidder's requirements. Once the work is complete, Rock County Parks will invoice the Multi-Use Trail Group for their half of the total cost. MOTION CARRIED.

Project Report. Lori distributed an article from *The Janesville Gazette* on the Beloit-Janesville Trail. Over 1,000 tons of gravel was placed on the trail, with 300 tons of that donated by Bjoin Limestone, another 300 tons donated by Michael's Cycles and 336 tons donated by the Rock Trail Coalition. Lori thanked Rock Trail Coalition for getting Michael's Cycles involved, who in turn worked with Bjoin Limestone on their donation. Tom Presny stated this was a wonderful partnership.

Parks Advisory Committee Remarks. They stated everything is going good.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Discussion and Possible action on a Jurisdictional Transfer of Avalon Road between I-39/90 and CTH J – Town of La Prairie Board Members May Attend. Ben discussed the background of this item. WisDOT proposed an alternate route for I-90 on Avalon Road in the Town of La Prairie for ½ mile to CTH J to STH 11. The Town of La Prairie has turned down the request from WisDOT. If the Town would transfer that ½ mile of Avalon Road to the County, we could proceed with a jurisdictional transfer and get the state to pay for the work needed to be done on CTH J. The Chair of the Town of La Prairie, Allan Arndt, read the Town's resolution opposing this proposal. He stated the folks who live on CTH J are not in favor of turning it into an alternate route for the Interstate.

Supervisor Arnold arrived.

Lengthy discussion took place on this item, including the possibility of a STH 11/14 bypass being built. Ben stated he had not heard much about that idea but could contact WisDOT to obtain more information.

No action taken by the Committee. Town of La Prairie representatives left the meeting.

Approve 2014 WisDOT Routine Maintenance Agreement. Supervisors Fox and Bussie moved the Routine Maintenance Agreement for \$2,471,500. MOTION CARRIED.

Approve Resolution Awarding Contract for Waste Collection Services for the Rock County Department of Public Works. Supervisors Arnold and Richard moved to award the bid to Rock Disposal of Janesville for the Parks Division for \$36,620.68; to Advanced Disposal of Fort Atkinson for the Highway Division for \$7,936 and the Airport Division for \$2,030 for a grand total of \$46,586.68. MOTION CARRIED.

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Approve Intersection Improvements at USH 51 and Rock/Beloit Townline Road. Supervisors Arnold and Fox moved to approve intersection improvements at USH 51 and Rock/Beloit Townline Road.

Ben stated that the State and County are collaborating on the reconstruction of CTH G at Rock-Beloit Townline Road (Townline Road) intersection. During construction of that intersection, planned for the fall of 2014, there could be road closures that impact the shipment of concrete bridge beams from a local manufacturer at that corner.

The company intends to route their loads toward the west to the intersection of Townline Road and USH 51, where they will turn north. To accommodate these oversize loads, the intersection where turns are required must be very wide. This project is for a cooperative arrangement between the State, the County and County Materials, the business. The work will include the relocation of some existing traffic signal bases, road grading and installation of new wider pavement on the northeast quadrant of that intersection. The work is anticipated to be done in the summer of 2014 at a cost of less than \$20,000. The State will do the signal relocation work. The County will do the grading and paving work. The Company will pay for the cost of the materials. The improvements may be left in place permanently. MOTION CARRIED.

Cancel Vouchers #1145-1251 and Approve Bills, Encumbrances/Pre-Approved Encumbrances, Amendments and Transfers (Airport Voucher over \$10,000. Supervisors Fox and Richard moved the vouchers, including the Airport Voucher for \$18,915.94, payment of our portion of the terminal project due to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

- 2014 Road School – January 13-15. Supervisor Bussie will be attending along with Ben Coopman.
- Update on DPW Shop Lighting Project. Ben reported there were errors and omissions by the consultant. We have purchased the brighter fixtures and the less bright fixtures will be utilized in other sections of the building and will not be wasted. The consultant has refunded us approximately \$12,000 to settle the errors and omissions claim.

Next Meeting Date. Thursday, December 12, will be the next Highway meeting. The next Parks meeting will be Tuesday, December 10.

Adjournment. Supervisors Fox and Bussie moved to adjourn at 9:20 a.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Lawton
Secretary II