

Public Works Committee Minutes
Thursday, May 12, 2011 – 8:30 a.m.
Department of Public Works Committee Room
3715 Newville Road - Janesville, WI

Call to Order. Chair Yankee called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 8:30 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Arnold, Bussie, Diestler, Fox and Yankee

Committee Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Ben Coopman, Public Works Director
Deb Lawton, Secretary
Kirby Jones, Public Works Superintendent
Mike Turk, Shop Superintendent

Others Present: Roger Anclam, Town of Turtle Chair
Mike Birkholz, Town of Turtle
Mike Flesch, City of Beloit Engineer

Approval of Agenda. Supervisors Arnold and Bussie moved today's agenda moving up item 6b. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes of March 31, April 14, May 2, May 3, 2011. Supervisor Arnold pointed out the May 2 and May 3 minutes read *Off* and should read *Fox*. Supervisors Bussie and Arnold moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. Mr. Coopman introduced the new Public Works Superintendent, Kirby Jones.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Update on CTH BT (Inman Parkway) Project. Mr. Coopman explained some of the funding issues of this project. The design work has escalated from an expected \$400,000 to \$800,000. We have funding of nearly \$500,000 so there is quite a shortfall. The Town of Turtle is here to speak to the Committee about this project. Once a project is designed, it must be built within 10 years. Mr. Coopman is wondering how the Committee feels about this project. Discussion.

Mr. Anclam spoke in opposition to the project. This goes back to 2004 or so and the Town was against it at that point. Mr. Anclam attended various

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governmental meetings speaking out against this project. The Town of Turtle is adamantly opposed to it. They do not want a new road and do not want growth in that area. They do not want more traffic. The land is mostly used for agriculture. Discussion on budget and economic woes took place.

Mike Flesch spoke in favor of proceeding with the project. The City of Beloit looks at new corridors not just for today but for the next 30-50 years. They are looking at connectivity to the Interstate to get traffic from the Interstate to the north side of Beloit effectively. This project will provide economic development of the CTH G corridor and will bring jobs in the future. This corridor is officially mapped. They are looking into the issues Mr. Anclam brought up. Mike stated there will be growth. We need to consider the future now or we will be wishing we had. He encouraged the Committee to move forward with this project.

Supervisor Arnold stated Hart Road was supposed to be used. Mike Flesch explained the various possible routes and reasons why Inman Parkway was chosen for the extension.

Mr. Coopman discussed the upcoming funding cycle and the fact that the results will not be known until late this year. He discussed the upcoming interstate construction work and how it ties in with this project.

Chair Yankee feels this project would help the Town of Beloit's Industrial Park. Supervisor Bussie spoke in favor of the project. Supervisor Arnold is not in favor of this project.

Mr. Birkholz spoke against the project.

Chair Yankee appreciates the comments from the group and stated the Committee's consensus is to place this item on a future committee agenda for action after the Public Information Meeting has been held.

Mike Flesch, Roger Anclam, Mike Birkholz and Kirby Jones departed.

Consider Purchase of Equipment. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved to purchase two 14' Dump Bodies-Plows-Wings-Spreaders, one RDS Body-Plow-Wing-Spreader from low bidder, Northland Equipment, for \$279,213. MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisors Diestler and Arnold moved to purchase two Six Foot Ditch Bank Mowers from low bidder, Johnson Tractor Inc., at the bid price of \$18,340. MOTION CARRIED.

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Supervisors Bussie and Arnold moved the purchase of one 14' Platform body with Crane for \$46,340 from low bidder, Northland Equipment. MOTION CARRIED.

Mike distributed list of equipment purchases for the year including totals to the Committee. Our equipment budget for 2011 is \$1.6 million.

Mike Turk departed.

Award Bids For Hot Mix. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved to award bids to Rock Road Companies for \$1,008,800 and Frank Brothers for \$419,300. MOTION CARRIED.

Award Bids for Asphaltic Sealcoat Materials. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved to award bid to Meigs Oil for \$377,500. MOTION CARRIED.

Approve CTH M Construction Project Substitution. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved to delete the work in 2011 on CTH M from Milton to Emerald Grove Road and substitute the work from Countyline Road to the south project limits at USH 14. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Coopman stated he will resubmit the deleted portion of the project in a future budget cycle.

Approve Relocation Order for CTH M Intersection Reconfiguration Project. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved the relocation order. MOTION CARRIED.

Consider Budget Transfers in the Road Construction and Bridge Maintenance Organization Keys. Supervisors Diestler and Arnold moved the transfers. MOTION CARRIED.

Financial Info and Equipment Purchases. The results of the recent auction were distributed to the Committee showing proceeds of \$170,945.76 for this department.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Departmental Operations. Mr. Coopman distributed sample financial report to the Committee. He will have the accountant prepare an updated report for the next committee meeting.

Next Meeting Date. Due to a conflict with the Highway Conference, the Thursday, June 9 meeting will be changed to Friday, June 10 at 8:30 a.m.

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Cancel 2011 Vouchers #310 -#434 & Bills, Encumbrances, Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments and Transfers. Supervisors Bussie and Diestler moved the vouchers. There were no bills, encumbrances, pre-approved encumbrance amendments or transfers. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved to adjourn at 10:45 a.m.
MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Lawton
Secretary II

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