

Public Works Committee Minutes
Friday, June 10, 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: Ron Burdick Airport Director
Ben Coopman, Public Works Director
Deb Lawton, Secretary
Mike Turk, Shop Superintendent

Others Present: None

Approval of Agenda. Supervisors Arnold and Bussie moved today's agenda moving adding snowplow incident under Commissioner's Report. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes of May 12, 2011. Supervisor Bussie and Diestler moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. Supervisor Arnold was congratulated on her induction into the Rock County Hall of Honor this week.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Consider Purchase of Equipment. Supervisors Bussie and Arnold moved Mike Turk's recommendation to purchase one single axle chassis from Lakeside International for \$114,975. Mr. Turk explained this vehicle will be used by the bridge crew. MOTION CARRIED.

Consider Bridge Aid Petitions. Supervisors Fox and Diestler moved the petitions from the Town of Bradford for \$5,150 on Carvers Rock Road; \$2,600 for Creek Road; \$2,800 for Scharine Road and \$41,000 for Creek Road. Discussion on how to manage these requests took place. Mr. Coopman conveyed that the state statute requires the towns apply for bridge aid one year in advance. Discussion on enforcing that statute took place. MOTION CARRIED.

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Approve CTH M Construction Project Substitution. Supervisors Arnold and Fox moved Ben's recommendation.

At the May 12, 2011 Public Works Committee meeting, the committee approved changing the work staging on CTH M from near Milton to the south end of CTH M near USH 14. The design consultant has begun detailed design of the southern segment roadway, including drainage structures. Several box culverts and large diameter pipes have been found to be in need of replacement. Substandard vertical alignment was also worse than expected, requiring designing of extensive grading plans. While some of this was anticipated at the time of the first substitution, the costliness and secondary impacts such as cost to acquire new right-of-way were not. Design complexities, extensive coordination with regulatory agencies like the Department of Natural Resources and time constraints to define and acquire needed rights-of-way cannot be accomplished until late summer. There would not be time to get the project built in 2011.

Rather than not get a project done when bidding conditions and prices are favorable, staff is suggesting going back to the original project phasing of doing the segment from Milton-Harmony Townline Road to Emerald Grove Road. This project phase is farther along and can be accomplished this construction season. There would be no overall change to the budget authority, just a shifting of project phasing.

MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Snowplow Incident. Discussion of an incident that occurred during the blizzard in February of this year took place.

Supervisor Arnold reported CTH J, west of Avalon Road needs mowing. Mr. Coopman stated we will begin mowing next week.

Supervisor Bussie asked how the new salt shed was working and Mr. Coopman stated it was working out very well.

Mr. Coopman distributed financial report to the Committee. Discussion.

Next Meeting Date. The next highway meeting will be Thursday, July 14.

Cancel 2011 Vouchers #435 - #566 & Bills, Encumbrances, Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments and Transfers. Supervisors Fox and Arnold moved

the vouchers. There were no bills, encumbrances, pre-approved encumbrance amendments or transfers. MOTION CARRIED.

Airport Business Action Items

Approve Terms and Conditions of Accepting Airport Improvement Program Grants. Supervisors Fox and Arnold moved the Terms and Conditions of Accepting Airport Improvement Program Grants. Mr. Burdick recommends approval. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Lawton
Secretary II