

## ROCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Public Works Committee – Highway Minutes Tuesday, August 28, 2018 – 8:00 a.m. Public Works Department- Committee Room 3715 Newville Road Janesville, WI 53545

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

Committee Members Present. Supervisors Bussie, Driscoll, Richard and Zajac.

Committee Members Absent. Supervisor Fox.

Staff Members:

Nick Elmer

Assistant Director of Public Works

Amy Friend

Secretary II

**Duane Jorgenson** 

Director of Public Works

Others Present:

Richard Greenlee

Corporation Counsel

Jeff Hillman

Town of Johnstown Supervisor

Scott Johnson

. Concerned Citizen

Mary Mawhinney

County Board Vice Chair

Jeff Shadel

Concerned Citizen

Joan Shadel

Concerned Citizen

Approval of Agenda. Supervisors Richard and Zajac moved today's agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Approval of Minutes of July 24, 2018</u>. Supervisors Zajac and Richard moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. Chair Bussie stated that any citizens can talk now or be recognized at the time the item they want to discuss is on the Agenda. Mr. Jorgenson stated the item the concerned citizens want to discuss was not itemized on the Agenda. Mr. Shadel stated he wanted to discuss the issue of taking of real estate that was not necessary. He wanted to know the formal name of the real estate acquisition process and what statute governs it. Mr. Greenlee stated this portion of the meeting was not time for the public to go back and forth with questions. It is for the public to provide information to the Committee. Mr. Johnson stated Item 5b on the Agenda was about more taking of land and discussion on the same issue. Mr. Jorgenson stated item 5b was about

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the section of CTH A that was west of CTH M. Mr. Johnson stated he wanted to discuss the taking of lands and an explanation of the interpretation of the law and how it came about. Chair Bussie stated they could state what item they would like to be added to a future agenda. Mr. Johnson felt it could be discussed under item 5b on the Agenda.

Mr. Jorgenson informed the Committee that he would be presenting the Public Works 2019 budget to Mr. Smith today at 10:00 at the Courthouse. Chair Bussie asked if there were any problem areas with the budget. Mr. Jorgenson responded no.

## **HIGHWAY BUSINESS**

<u>Resolution – Recognizing Brian Thostenson</u>. Supervisors Richard and Zajac moved the Resolution Recognizing Brian Thostenson. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution – Approve Relocation Order for CTH A (USH 14 – CTH M) Reconstruction Project. Supervisors Driscoll and Zajac moved the Resolution Approve Relocation Order for CTH A (USH 14 - CTH M) Reconstruction Project. Mr. Jorgenson stated the relocation order is the beginning step to start the real estate acquisition process. After a lengthy discussion on the acquisition of land, the Committee decided an item to discuss the concerns of Mr. and Mrs. Shadel and Mr. Johnson would be added to the Highway Agenda meeting scheduled on September 26<sup>th</sup>. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Discussion and Possible Action – Approval of Bridge Aid Request from Town of Plymouth for Stuart Road</u>. Supervisors Richard and Zajac moved the Approval of Bridge Aid Request from Town of Plymouth for Stuart Road. Mr. Jorgenson stated the Town of Bradford had pulled a project and that had opened up some funds for bridge aid. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Discussion and Possible Action – Approval of Bridge Aid Request from Town of Plymouth for Stuart Road</u>. Supervisors Driscoll and Zajac moved the Approval of Bridge Aid Request from Town of Plymouth for Stuart Road. Mr. Jorgenson stated this is not a typo. The bridge aid request is for a different section of Stuart Road. MOTION CARRIED

<u>Discussion and Possible Action – CTH MM (Ruger Avenue) Offering Price Report.</u> Supervisors Zajac and Richard moved approval of the CTH MM (Ruger Avenue) Offering Price Report. Mr. Jorgenson stated CTH MM (Ruger Avenue) is a Federal Aid project for both design and construction. A list of the offering prices approved to begin negotiations was included in the Agenda packet. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Discussion and Possible Action – CTH MM (Ruger Avenue) Order for Removal of Encroachments</u>. Supervisors Richard and Bussie moved the CTH MM (Ruger Avenue) Order for Removal of Encroachments. Mr. Jorgenson stated all of the encroachments were minor. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Discussion and Possible Action – Approval of Rock County Local Road Maintenance Contract – Town of Johnstown, Rock County</u>. Supervisors Richard and Driscoll moved the Approval of

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Rock County Local Road Maintenance Contract — Town of Johnstown, Rock County. Mr. Jorgenson stated he had met with the Town of Johnston by their request to discuss them coming back to the County. Rock County has proposed a three year two month contract with the Town of Johnstown to start November 1, 2018. Mr. Jorgenson stated a three year contract to start was offered instead of a one year contract because it would have been a large investment for the County for only one year. Mr. Jorgenson requested the Committee waive the \$1,000 fee for accepting the town back to the County. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Discussion – WCHA – Replace In Kind (MOU)</u>. Mr. Jorgenson discussed the draft copy of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) and Wisconsin County Highway Association (WCHA). He stated the WCHA has asked for a vote from the Counties if they were in favor of the MOU. Mr. Jorgenson stated he cast a vote not in favor of the MOU. His vote was consistent with other Counties. Mr. Jorgenson stated that WisDOT previously had management consultants handle the design and construction for the bridges and in 2019 the responsibilities will be delegated to the County. This will increase the workload for Mr. Jorgenson and Mr. Elmer. Rock County currently has 12-15 bridges in the Federal program.

<u>Discussion – Shopiere Shed Update</u>. Mr. Jorgenson informed the Committee that a design meeting for the Shopiere shed was held last week. Mr. Sutherland of Facilities Management is working on phase one assessment of the project on the property and adjacent property. Mr. Jorgenson stated the construction of the shed could begin as early as spring of 2019.

Review of Payments. Review was completed.

<u>Next Meeting Date</u>. The next Highway meeting will be Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. at the Department of Public Works.

<u>Adjournment</u>. Supervisors Richard and Zajac moved to adjourn at 9:02 a.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy J. Friend Secretary II