Minutes

Joint Agriculture and Extension Education Committee
And Public Works Committee
Wednesday, October 28, 2009 – 4:00 p.m.
Department of Public Works Committee Room
3715 Newville Road - Janesville, WI

<u>Call to Order.</u> Co-Chair Yankee called the meeting of the Joint Agriculture and Extension Education Committee/Public Works Committee to order at 4:00 p.m.

<u>Agriculture and Extension Education Committee Members Present:</u> Supervisors Arnold, Bostwick, Combs, Sweeney and Wiedenfeld

Public Works Committee Members Present: Supervisors Arnold, Bussie, Ott, and Yankee

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Diestler

<u>Staff Members Present:</u> Ben Coopman, Public Works Director

Deb Lawton, Secretary

Neil Pierce, Construction Superintendent

Randy Thompson, Rock County UW-Extension Department Head

Others Present: Phil Boutwell, Ass't. to the County Administrator

Russ Podzilni, County Board Chair

<u>Approval of Agenda.</u> Supervisors Arnold and Bostwick moved the agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. None.

<u>Tour of DPW Grounds.</u> Mr. Coopman distributed Comparison of Alternatives report to those present. He went over the alternate sites and pointed them out on a map.

Site	Prep Cost	Notes
1	\$75,000	minimal excavation; exist. road okay; partial staging area in place
2	\$122,900	excavate sand pad for building; make new sand pad; relocate bins
		moderate excavation; new staging area; new east side road; lose gravel
3	\$115,700	storage area; runoff management issues; truck stacking issues
		borrow mat'l needed; new larger staging area; new east side road; runoff
4	\$161,800	management issues; truck stacking issues

Discussion on loaders used for loading salt took place. Mr. Coopman, responding to a question from Mr. Thompson, stated we currently have only one loader.

Supervisor Combs asked what the life expectancy is of the current salt shed and Mr. Coopman replied another 10-20 years. The current shed holds 2,000 tons and the proposed shed will hold 5,000 tons of salt.

Mr. Coopman explained we could purchase excess salt at the end of the year at a lower cost from our vendor if we had a place to store it. He also stated we almost ran out of salt last year. The 2,000 tons of salt generally gets us through two snowstorms.

Supervisor Sweeney asked if we used more brine on the Interstate with Mr. Coopman replying yes, we do.

Cost of the set-up for the new salt shed was discussed.

Committee members and staff toured the site.

<u>Discussion and Approval of DPW Salt Shed Siting on County Farmland – Ben Coopman.</u> Supervisor Combs spoke against siting the salt shed on county farmland and would prefer site 2. Co-Chair Bostwick agreed.

Supervisors Ott and Bussie moved site #2 as the location for the DPW salt shed. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Adjournment.</u> Co-Chair Bostwick and Supervisor Arnold moved to adjourn at 5:25 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Lawton Secretary