

Date: February 14, 2012
Highway Committee Meeting
Location: Highway office
Time: 9:00 AM

Meeting called to order by Chairman Vold at 9 am.
Open meeting law requirements have been met.
Members present: Chrm. Ernest Vold, John Aasen, Mike Nelson, Tom Bice and Commissioner Johnson.
Members absent: Rodney Severson

Other persons attending: Dave Lyga

Minutes of January 10, 2012 meeting were presented as drafted. Motion to accept as drafted by Tom Bice. Seconded Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

Motion to accept agenda with Emergency Addition of New Business 7B by John Aasen. Seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

AUDIT

Approval of 2011 vouchers approved by audit committee – Vouchers #1141 to #1147 for \$6,065.28. Motion to pay by John Aasen second by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.
Approval of 2012 vouchers #6 to #11 for \$2,232.83 approved by audit committee. Motion to approved by John Aasen and seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.
Voucher #12 thru #105 were audited in the amount of \$172,409.97. Motion to pay by Mike Nelson. Seconded by John Aasen. Motion Carried.

BUILDINGS and GROUNDS DISCUSSION

Shop radio needs some minor work to be done. Possibly a new coax cable to the tower.

HIGHWAY VIEWING and MAINTENANCE DISCUSSION

No construction scheduled at this time. Commissioner Johnson will bring information to the March meeting.

Commissioner Johnson informed the committee that he is advertising for bids to do the bridge inspections. These bridges include county, city, villages, and townships. Committee discussed the bridge on County “O”. Commissioner Johnson will be talking with the landowner near the bridge to try to buy a small amount of land for right of way and to straighten the road. Will attempt to replace bridge with culverts if possible.

EQUIPMENT

Flat bed truck has been put into service. Some minor adjusts need to be dealt with but overall very pleased with the truck.

The oil pump at the asphalt plant is a 1984 and can no longer be calibrated to the precise detail that is needed. The current pump is placing too much oil into the mix increasing the cost of production. Dave Lyga presented two quotes he received to replace the oil pump. Northwest Processing quoted \$20,820 and Aztec quoted \$30,233. John Aasen made the motion to purchase the Oil Pump for \$20,820 from Northwest Processing. Seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

PERSONNEL

One employee off work with knee surgery (Non-Work Related) possibly back in 2-3 weeks. One employee off work with shoulder surgery (Non-Work Related) with no known date of return.

John Aasen made the motion to offer the Highway Department Employees, including Office Staff to work Four Ten Hours Days starting April 2, 2012 and continue through August 31, 2012. Seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Johnson informed the committee the Patrolman on Section 13 (Galesville to Blair area) has turned in his retirement papers. Requested to be able to post for this position internally. Mike Nelson made the motion to post internally for the Patrolman position. Seconded by John Aasen. Motion Carried.

APPEARANCES: None

NEW BUSINESS

The committee reviewed the County Road Maintenance and Upgrade Agreement that the county is developing. Commissioner Johnson asked for feedback on this agreement from the committee after they had time to review the proposal.

After reviewing the TMA Contract for painting offered by the state, Ernest Vold made the motion to accept the contract. John Aasen seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Next Audit meeting will be held on March 13, 2012 at 9 am at the Highway Office in Whitehall.

Tom Bice made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:35 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Debra Haines, Recording Secretary
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