

Date: October 8, 2013
Highway Committee Meeting
Location: Highway Office
Time: 9:00 AM

Meeting called to order by Chairman Aasen at 9:02 am.

Open meeting law requirements have been met.

Members present: Chairman John Aasen, Mike Nelson, Doug Winters, Curt Skoyen, Dave Larson, and Commissioner Johnson.

Members absent: None

Other persons attending: 2 county residents present at meeting.

Minutes of September 10, 2013 meeting were presented as drafted. Motion to accept by Dave Larson. Seconded by Curt Skoyen. Motion Carried.

Motion to accept agenda with the time change of appearance of Rian Radtke by Doug Winters, second by Dave Larson. Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

AUDIT

Approval of vouchers approved by audit committee – Vouchers #798 to #819 for \$159,150.82. Voucher #820-#821 for \$38,466.97. Motion to pay by Mike Nelson second by Curt Skoyen. Motion carried.

Vouchers #822 thru #901 were audited in the amount of \$574,579.08. Motion to pay by Curt Skoyen. Seconded by Doug Winters. Motion Carried.

BUILDING and GROUNDS DISCUSSION

Commissioner Johnson has been speaking with Rian Radtke concerning the Whitehall shop roof issue. Mr. Radtke has not received any response from the company supplying the materials when the roof was repaired.

Some pads will need to be repaired near the shop.

HIGHWAY VIEWING and MAINTENANCE DISCUSSION

One day of centerline/edge painting left to complete for the state. State does have some special painting that will need to be done yet.

Jackson County and Pepin County each have some painting left to do this year.

Approximately 60 miles of centerline/edge painting has been completed in Trempealeau County. Plan to do more painting in 2013 with the weather permitting.

Highway Department has been working on several county road projects.

County “K” has been completed.

County “W” had wedging completed.

County “O” will have a second mat placed on it this fall.

County “Y” will have an overlay placed from Hwy 93 to Hawkenson Road.

County “C” will be ready for paving by end of week. County will begin paving next week and hope to have project completed by end of 2013.

EQUIPMENT DISCUSSION/VIEWING/PURCHASE

The asphalt paver is 13 years old and in need of some major repairs. Highway Department would like the committee to consider replacing this piece of equipment. The committee requested that Commissioner Johnson get some estimated costs for replacement as well as costs to do a complete overhaul of the unit. This information should be brought to the November meeting for further review.

PERSONNEL

One employee is receiving medical treatment and works whenever his health allows.

APPEARANCES

2 representatives from ALLENERGY appeared to discuss the county road agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

The committee discussed the 2014 budget in great detail. If the budget remains as currently stated, the Highway Department will gain approximately \$120,000.00 for 2014. The pros and cons of bonding with current rates were discussed. The committee requested that the bonding discussion be placed on the November agenda.

Doug Winters made the motion to allow Commissioner Johnson and the Highway Committee to attend the WCHA meeting on October 11, 2013 in Eau Claire County. Motion was seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

The bridge petitions were reviewed and discussed. Doug Winters made the motion to accept the bridge petitions and to send to county board. Seconded by Curt Skoyen. Motion Carried.

The committee reviewed the proposed road agreement the county presented to ALLENERGY. The committee asked that the number of trucks travelling on County "J" on a daily basis be listed. The County Heavy Hauling Policy needs to be mentioned in the agreement. ALLENERGY agreed to construct a turn lane at their expense if County feels there is a safety issue at this location.

A motion was made by Dave Larson to accept the Road Agreement with the above mentioned additions listed in the agreement. Seconded by Curt Skoyen. Motion Carried.

The Wheel Tax was discussed by the committee.

The next Highway Audit meeting will be held on Friday, November 8, 2013 at 9:00 am. Meeting will be held at the Highway Office in Whitehall.

Chairman Aasen adjourned the meeting at 10:53 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra Haines
Recording Secretary
Trempealeau County Highway Dept

