

Date: April 29, 2014
Highway Committee Meeting
Location: Highway Office
Time: 9:00 AM

Meeting called to order by Chairman Aasen at 8:04 am
Open meeting law requirements have been met.
Members present: Chairman John Aasen, Mike Nelson, Doug Winters, Curt Skoyen, Ernie Vold, and Commissioner Johnson.
Members absent: None

Other persons attending: Dave Lyga for Building and Equipment Discussion,
Rian Radtke, several county residents

Minutes of April 8, 2014 meeting were presented as drafted. Motion to accept by Doug Winters. Seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

Motion to accept agenda by Ernest Vold, second by Curt Skoyen. Motion Carried.

Ernest Vold nominated John Aasen for Chairman, Doug Winters seconded the motion. Nominations were called for three more times. With no other nominations, Ernest Vold motion to close the nominations, seconded by Doug Winters. Motion Carried.

John Aasen was elected Chairman.

John Aasen nominated Mike Nelson for Vice-Chairman, seconded by Curt Skoyen. Nominations were called for three more times. Curt Skoyen made the motion to close nominations. Ernest Vold seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Mike Nelson was elected Vice Chairman.

Doug Winters nominated Curt Skoyen for Secretary, seconded by Ernest Vold.

Nominations were called for three more times. John Aasen made the motion to close nominations. Seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

Curt Skoyen was elected Secretary.

OLD BUSINESS

AUDIT

No audit addressed at this meeting.

BUILDINGS and GROUNDS DISCUSSION

Dave Lyga briefly explained the current status of the roof on the Whitehall Shop. Rian Radtke arrived to further explain the situation with the roof. The hail damage claimed has been denied for the second time by the Insurance Company. The warranty on the product is voided due to improper installation. The county will need to be responsible for the entire cost to repair roof. The estimated cost obtained by Dave Lyga is \$61,490.00. Rian Radtke suggested that this issue be put back on the May 13, 2014 agenda were the meeting can go into closed sessions to speak about any possible litigation. John Aasen made the motion to table any action in regards to the Whitehall Shop Roof until the May meeting. Seconded by Curt Skoyen. Motion Carried.
The repairs to the Salt Shed Roof have been completed.

HIGHWAY VIEWING and MAINTENANCE DISCUSSION

The committee briefly discussed funds for road work.

EQUIPMENT DISCUSSION/VIEWING/PURCHASE

A 2003 Plow truck needs to have engine rebuilt. The cost to rebuild engine is estimated to be \$10,000 to \$12,000. The county will be doing the work.

The loaders will not be delivered for the minimum of 3 weeks.

PERSONNEL DISCUSSION

One employee off work with work comp injury. Employee hurt his leg while cutting brush. The employee will be off possibly one to two more weeks.

Commissioner Johnson informed the committee that Wayne Lien, the current Patrol Superintendent has turned in his retirement. Wayne last day of work will be June 2, 2014. The committee asked Jamie Kabus the procedure to replace Wayne. Ms. Kabus stated it can be posted In-House. Mike Nelson made the motion to post In House to replace Mr. Lien and to post for any subsequent opening until an open position exists. The motion was seconded by Curt Skoyen. Motion Carried.

APPEARANCES

Two representatives from Hi-Crush and one representative from Gerke Trucking appeared to answer any questions and discuss County Road Q. The representative from Gerke explained the need to repair soft spots and then put down a binder. The binder is the first layer of asphalt. The work can not be done until the weathers permits. Attempting to any repairs or grading of road at this time would only make the road condition worse. Gerke Trusking, Hi-Crush and the Highway Department will coordinate the repair work. The asphalt will be purchased from the Highway Department. The costs of materials will be taken from the Bond that Hi-Crush has with the county.

Jamie Kabus explained to the Highway Committee that the county is currently advertising to hire a Highway Commissioner. The deadline to apply is May 2, 2014. The Highway Committee will review applications and be part of the interview process. Once a candidate has been chosen, this person needs to be nominated at full County Board for approval.

NEW BUSINESS

Ernest Vold made the motion to accept the 2014 DTMA (state centerline painting) contract for \$506,700.00. Seconded by Curt Skoyen. Motion Carried.

John Aasen made the motion to allow Commissioner Johnson to transfer available funds to the over run accounts. Seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Johnson and the Highway Committee left to view County Roads at 10:00 am.

The committee viewed the following County Roads:

A, C, CC, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, KK, NN, O, OOO, S, W, X, XX

**The next Highway Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, May 6, 2014.
The next Highway Audit meeting will be on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at 9:00 am at the
Highway Office in Whitehall.**

Chairman John Aasen adjourned the meeting at 3:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Debra Haines
Recording Secretary
Trempealeau County Hwy Dept**

