

Date: November 14, 2014
Highway Committee Meeting
Location: Highway Office
Time: 9:00 AM

Meeting called to order by Chairman Aasen @ 9:00 am.
Open meeting law requirements have been met.
Members present: Chairman John Aasen, Mike Nelson, Doug Winters, Curt Skoyen, Ernest Vold, and Commissioner Lyga.
Members absent: None

Other persons attending: Ken Farley (Town of Trempealeau)

Minutes of October 21, 2014 meeting were presented as drafted. Motion to accept by Ernest Vold. Seconded by Doug Winters. Motion Carried.

Motion to accept agenda by Mike Nelson, second by Curt Skoyen. Motion Carried.

AUDIT

Approval of vouchers approved by audit committee – Vouchers #910 for \$1,310.00. Motion to pay by Mike Nelson, second by Doug Winters. Motion carried.
November Vouchers #911 thru #918 were audited in the amount of \$22,151.95. Vouchers #919 thru #982 for \$455,428.15. Motion to pay by Ernest Vold. Seconded by Doug Winters. Motion Carried.

BUILDINGS and GROUNDS DISCUSSION

Commissioner Lyga informed the committee of complaints from North American Fly Company. Committee discussed the situation at the Strum Shop and how to proceed.

HIGHWAY VIEWING and MAINTENANCE DISCUSSION

Commissioner Lyga presented information in regards to the Implements of Husbandry. Previously the committee adopted Option “E”. This option requires permits to be issued for over 23,000 pounds per axle (including farmers). This option also requires that an alternative route be found for person(s) exceed the per axle weight. Option “F” would not require a permit unless the TOTAL weight exceeds 92,000 pounds. John Aasen made the motion to rescind the Option “E” and Adopt Option “F” for Trempealeau County. Curt Skoyen seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

After the Bridge Inspections (Ratings) were completed, several bridges needed to be repaired. A bridge in Town of Trempealeau needed to have a new overlay put on it. After the repair was completed, the bridge now has a 40 Ton weight limit.

The bridge on River Road in the Town of Arcadia had repairs completed. The bridge is open for traffic and has a 40 Ton weight limit.

Town of Burnside will have repairs done to a bridge the week of November 16, 2014.

One bridge in Town of Pigeon has been recommended to have an 8’ culvert installed.

The State of Wisconsin has offered Trempealeau County a Routine Maintenance Agreement for 2015 in the amount of \$1,541,000. Doug Winters made the motion to accept the Routine Maintenance Agreement for 2015. Mike Nelson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried.

EQUIPMENT DISCUSSION/VIEWING/PURCHASE

The committee previously approved the purchase of a Water Truck. The Highway Department located a used Chassis and made a \$2,500.00 down payment. The chassis will have a New Tank installed and delivery is expected in March. The total cost should be approximately \$57,000.00.

The committee reviewed the bid for two LED arrow boards. Curt Skoyen made the motion to allow the Highway Department to demo arrow boards and then purchase Two boards from the company with the lowest bid that meets the specifications. Motion was seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

The County had one of the Quad axle trucks delivered this week. The second truck should be delivered the week of November 16, 2014.

Tom Kloss located a 2007 Low Hour Scissor Lift. The unit is all wheel drive for indoor/outdoor use. The Lift has a 6' X 10' platform, 32' high lift, dual fuel (propane & gas). The lift is in Rockford, IL and the asking price is \$13,500.00. Ernest Vold made the motion to purchase the 2007 Scissor Lift. Curt Skoyen seconded the motion.

Motion Carried.

The Sand/Salt 40' stacker is in use. This elevator/stacker is far more efficient and has a savings on labor.

PERSONNEL DISCUSSION

There are currently two employees off work. One plans to return beginning of January. The second employee has had surgery and will be off work until January 2015. This employee is considering retirement after he returns.

APPEARANCES

Two representatives from Jewell & Associates handed out booklets and spoke to the committee about their company. They informed the committee of previous work done within the county.

Two representatives from Ayres & Associates spoke with the committee of work completed in the county and about their company. A handout showing work done in this area of the state.

AGGREGATE BID OPENING

Only two bids were submitted for the 1/2" rock to be used at the Hot Mix Plant. The committee reviewed the bids. Mike Nelson made the motion to accept bid from Gerke Excavating. Motion seconded by Ernest Vold. Motion Carried.

Two bids were submitted for Seal Coat Chips. Doug Winters made the motion to accept the bid from Gerke Excavating for the Limestone Seal Coat Chips. The Granite Seal Coat Chips bid accepted from Opelt Sand & Gravel. Mike Nelson seconded the motion.

Motion Carried.

Bids were opened and reviewed for Crack Filling Material. Mike Nelson made the motion to accept bids for Crack Filler Material as needed from both companies (Sherwin Industries and Mid-State Equipment & Supply). Seconded by Curt Skoyen.

Motion Carried.

WALDERA SAND DISCUSSION & ACTION

Commissioner Lyga explained to the committee that the Sand Contract the Highway Department has with the Waldera Family will expire on December 31, 2014.

The new proposed sand contract is for 5 years. The price is \$1.00 per Ton plus a .05 per Ton increase each year. Doug Winters made the motion to accept the Waldera Contract as proposed. The motion was seconded by Mike Nelson. Motion Carried.

The January Road School is scheduled for January 13 to January 15, 2015. Ernest Vold made the motion to allow the Highway Committee and Commissioner to attend the Road School Conference. Curt Skoyen seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

The next Highway Committee Meeting was set for December 9, 2015 at 9:00 am.

Chairman John Aasen adjourned the Highway meeting at 11:25 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

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