



Marinette County PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Mark A. Desotell
Director – Highway Commissioner

Paul VanBeek
Patrol Superintendent

Lynn Schingick
Office Manager

MEETING OF THE HIGHWAY COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2008 9:00 A.M. PESHTIGO HIGHWAY SHOP

Members Present: Chairman Bousley, Supervisors Dill, Greason, and Risner

Members Absent/Excused: Supervisor Sharpe

Others Present: Commissioner Desotell, Patrol Superintendent Paul VanBeek, Kellie Hartman and press

- 1. Call to order**
Meeting called to order by Chairman Bousley at 9:00 a.m.
- 2. Approve Agenda**
Approved amended agenda with item 13 to read as WCH. **Motion** (Greason/Risner) carried. No negative vote.
- 3. Approve/Correction of Minutes**
The January 23, 2007 minutes were approved as presented. **Motion** (Risner/Dill) carried. No negative vote.
- 4. National Work Zone Memorial**
Commissioner Desotell sought the committee's input on the National Memorial Wall touring the state to honor highway workers, emergency responders and motorists who have lost their lives in "work zone" areas. The committee recommended that the Commissioner verify the eligibility of two former Marinette County employees tragically lost in work-related accidents. Surviving family members would be contacted of any eligible candidates prior to making applications. No action taken.
- 5. Village of Coleman Design & Construction agreement**
Commissioner Desotell explained the Village of Coleman Design and Construction agreement for CTH CP that was recommended at the Committee's January 23, 2008 meeting had been amended under direction of Corporation Counsel and forwarded to the County Board for approval. The agreement was modified to address design engineering and project letting. A separate construction agreement will be drafted for Highway Approval and recommendation/approval to the County Board. No action taken.

6. CTH X project updates

The Highway Commissioner updated the Committee on the design plan progress for 1.5 miles of CTH X reconstruction. Based on the current PS & E submittal deadlines, it would be difficult to assure project completion in 2008. It was recommended that we either schedule construction for 2009 using Federal STP Rural Funding or complete a maintenance crush/shape overlay in 2008 using our matching funds. **MOTION** (Dill/Risner) to complete the project without federal funding subject to WisDOT review of any project impacts. Motion carried. No negative vote.

7. WisDOT Transportation Enhancement & Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Program Grant application notice

Motion (Greason/Risner) to direct Commissioner Desotell to apply for grant funds to add bicycle and pedestrian lanes to CTH BB from University Drive south to Johnson. The grant deadline is April 18, 2008. Motion carried. No negative vote.

8. Computer Needs including Hardware & Software updates

Motion (Dill/Greaseon) to approve the purchase of three new computers and a software package for sign inventory, with combined total not to exceed \$7,500.00 and contingent upon Finance and County Administrator's approval. Motion carried. No negative vote.

9. HBRRP Bridge Replacement Selection List Updates

Motion (Dill/Risner) to approve prioritizing the three substitutions, listed below, for the 1.5 million earmarked for the French Street Bridge now funded by WisDOT under the HBRRP Bridge Replacement, contingent upon WisDOT's approval. Motion carried. No negative vote.

1. Replace Deck at Hattie Street Bridge - \$700,000.00
2. Replace Deck at County Road JJ over the Menominee River - \$400,000.00
3. Replace Deck at County Road CTH P over the Peshtigo River - \$400,000.00

10. CTH L Review Centerline Survey Proposal

Commissioner Desotell sought the Committee's position on the future repairs to 5.5 miles on CTH L from USH 141 west to Pike Plains Rd, being either major improvement or a maintenance job. He recommended a centerline survey to be completed as a planning tool to determine project geometry and budget. No action taken.

- 11. Wisconsin County Highway Association's 2008 County Highway Commissioner Conference on April 2, 2008**
Motion (Risner/Greaseon) to approve attendance for Commissioner Desotell at the 2008 Wisconsin County Highway Association Commissioner Conference in Wausau, Wisconsin on April 2, 2008. Motion carried. No negative vote.
- 12. WisDOT updates USH 141 Bridge @ Niagara; STH 180 and USH 141 Roadway plans @ Niagara**
Commissioner Desotell had plans available for the committee's review on the repairs for the USH 141 Bridge @ Niagara; STH 180 (90% complete plans) and USH 141 roadway plans @ Niagara (30% complete). No action taken.
- 13. WCH Annual Winter Meeting, summary of conference**
Commissioner Desotell briefly gave the committee an overview of the Annual WCHA Winter conference with the most significant update being that Highway Commissions are no longer able to work for municipalities on projects with federal funding. No action taken.
- 14. Highway Department Report of Activities**
Patrol Superintendent Van Beek reported on work performed by the county crews on State, County and Town roads, which included mainly clean up after storms, general maintenance, brush cutting, shoulder repairs, mixed salt brine, patching, sign repair, and garbage pickup.
- 15. Schedule of Vouchers**
Motion (Greaseon/Dill) to approve the voucher as presented. Motion carried. No negative vote.
- 16. Next Meeting Date**
The next meeting date is schedule for Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. at the Peshtigo Shop.
- 17. Adjournment**
Motion (Risner/Greaseon) to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 a.m. Motion carried. No negative vote.

Kellie Hartman, Assistant Office Manager
Date approved/corrected: