WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: April 20, 2015

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Ken Robl, Highway Committee Chairman

Robert Warnke, Highway Committee Member David Albrecht, Highway Committee Member Tom Egan, Highway Committee Member Kenn Olson, Highway Committee Member Ernie Winters, Highway Commissioner John Bodnar, Corporation Counsel

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robl at 9:00 A.M. A motion was made by Supervisor Warnke, seconded by Supervisor Olson to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2015 meeting as written. Motion carried 5-0.

There being no one from the public present, Chairman Robl continued with the original agenda.

Chairman Robl charged the Committee with electing a Vice Chair to fill the position vacated by the retirement of Supervisor Hamblin. Chairman Robl opened the floor for nominations. Supervisor Albrecht was nominated. Chairman Robl requested nominations three times, there being no other nominees the nominations were closed. Chairman Robl cast a unanimous voice vote and declared Supervisor Albrecht elected Highway Committee Vice Chairman.

Commissioner Winters distributed copies of information and registration for the 2015 Summer Highway Conference. The conference will be June 8-10, 2015 at the Chula Vista in Wisconsin Dells. The agenda has not been finalized yet and will be forthcoming. Early registration is due May 14, 2015. Brief discussion on the conference activities followed.

Commissioner Winters presented copies of a resolution passed in 1988 with Winnebago County accepting Waukau Avenue from Poberezny Road east to the Airport as a County road. It is not part of the County Trunk Highway System. Commissioner Winters requested and received support from the Supervisors to bring a resolution to a future Committee meeting to secure funding to repair the road. Commissioner Winters recommended a pulverize and pave project. Commissioner Winters will research for all available funding sources including discussing the project with the City of Oshkosh, Town of Nekimi, EAA and the Winnebago County Airport.

Commissioner Winter stated there is a Public Information Meeting Wednesday April 22, 2015 on the CTH G Bridge Project. Graef and Associates will have maps and answer questions. The bridge will replace the current CTH G Bridge over the Neenah slough. WisDOT funding included requiring sidewalks on the bridge structure. There will be some right of way purchased. It is a standard bridge project and should be let either later this year or next spring for construction in 2016.

John Bodnar joined the meeting.

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At 9:31am Supervisor Albrecht, seconded by Supervisor Olson made a motion Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1)(g) to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the Committee who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Committee with respect to litigation in which the County is likely to become involved in.. Motion carried 5-0.

At 9:50am Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Albrecht made a motion to reconvene in open session. Motion carried 5-0.

General Operations:

- Commissioner Winters informed the Committee that Senator Petrowski is bringing back the bill to limit cell phone usage in a work zone area. Commissioner Winters plans on making a presentation to the legislature in support of the much needed bill.
- Sue Ertmer, Winnebago County Clerk, requested Commissioner Winters speak at a County Board meeting on the USH 41 to I-41 conversion. Commissioner Winters may make a presentation at an upcoming Board meeting.
- Commissioner Winters stated there is a Public Informational Meeting on STH 21 at the Algoma Town Hall on Wednesday April 22, 2015 at 5:30pm.

A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Olson to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:00am.

Loanne Owens-Flaig Office Manager