

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: May 2, 2011

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Ken Robl, Highway Committee Chairman
Robert Warnke, Highway Committee Member
Tom Egan, Highway Committee Member
Tim Hamblin, Highway Committee Member
David Albrecht, Highway Committee Member
John Haese, Highway Commissioner

ALSO

PRESENT: Tom Davies, Land & Water Conservation Dept.
Keith Marquardt, Land & Water Conservation Dept.
John Fink, Assistant to the County Executive
Jamey Gosz, Highway Equipment Superintendent
Guy Hegg, Supervisor District #27
Lt. William Anthes, Winnebago County Sheriff's Dept.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robl at 9:00 A.M. A motion was made by Supervisor Warnke, seconded by Supervisor Egan to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2011 meeting as written. Motion carried 4-0.

Chairman Robl asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to address any agenda items at this time. There was no public input.

Commissioner Haese asked Mr. Marquardt and Mr. Davies to explain why the Winnebago County Land & Water Department criteria for storm water management and erosion control is more stringent than the Wisconsin DNR. Mr. Marquardt stated that in 2003 a county ordinance was enacted related to storm water enforcement within Winnebago County. The ordinance was a direct result of meetings and direction from a technical advisory committee study regarding storm water in the county. He stated that the current ordinance is consistent with what the surrounding counties have in place. The ordinance states that if one acre of land or 1,000 square feet of impervious surface area is placed within a project boundary a storm water permit is necessary. The permit fees related to the proposed new Highway facility in Winchester amount to an estimate of \$4,000. These funds are held in escrow by the Planning and Zoning Department until the project is completed. A professional engineering firm then determines that the project has met all of the permit specifications. Once final approval of the project is complete, any additional escrow funds can be released to the permit holder. Mr. Davies and Mr. Marquardt left the meeting. The committee then discussed the facility building plans in depth. Commissioner Haese stated that the project will be let to bid within a short period of time and then the committee will have to decide if the project should proceed.

Commissioner Haese stated that there are CHIP funds remaining from the CTH B project that he can utilize on the CTH FF project. A motion was made by Supervisor Albrecht, seconded by Supervisor Egan to approve a budget transfer of \$3,170 of State Aid to be applied to the reconstruction project on CTH FF from CTH K to STH 21. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Haese reported that as of April 14, 2011 there is approximately \$33,149 of winter maintenance funds available for the remainder of 2011. This balance is what remained after the \$100,000 transfer that was approved by the County Board of Supervisors last month. After discussion the Highway Committee decided to wait until fall to request additional funding for the remainder of the 2011 winter maintenance season.

The CTH T project was discussed. Commissioner Haese reported that the portion of CTH T from CTH G to Larsen Road was last resurfaced in 1983. The section from Larsen Road to CTH II has not been resurfaced since 1967. The traffic counts on CTH T from CTH G to Breezewood Lane averaged 114 vehicles per day and from Breezewood Lane to Pioneer Road the ADT was 314 vehicles per day. Commissioner Haese stated the estimate to mill and pave CTH T from CTH G to the intersection of Pioneer Road and CTH T is approximately \$880,000. The cost to chip seal the same section would cost approximately \$60,000. Mr. Haese stated that he will have to put this project back into the five year CIP for completion in 2013 or 2014.

General Operations:

- Commissioner Haese stated his department is getting prepared to begin summer construction work. The Maintenance Superintendents are completing their annual road surveys with the towns and will then begin scheduling the work.
- Mr. Haese stated he received a call from Supervisor Sievert last week regarding an issue between the WisDoT, Town of Clayton Administrator and personnel from the Highway Department. WisDoT ordered that two solar powered blinking stop signs at the intersection of Larsen Road and STH 76 be removed and stored at the Highway Department facility. The Town of Clayton did not have authority to place signs at that location. Highway department personnel removed the signs under order of WisDoT. The signs were then returned to the Town of Clayton.
- Supervisor Warnke inquired about the Eureka Bridge project. Commissioner Haese stated that after he contacted the local legislators a month ago regarding the hold up by the historical society, the paperwork has been expedited and is working its way through the necessary channels. Mr. Haese stated he is expecting construction to commence in June 2012.
- Commissioner Haese reminded the committee about the Spring Northeast Region Commissioner and Committee Members meeting on Thursday in Sheboygan.
- County Board Supervisor Hegg inquired as to when the CTH P project would begin. Commissioner Haese stated that the contracts have now been signed by all the necessary parties and sent to the engineering firm so they can begin field work soon. Mr. Hegg stated he saw county forces out there recently patching holes and was of the understanding that no further repairs would be made before the reconstruction. Commissioner Haese stated that the project may not commence until August and until that time, for the safety of the traveling public, his department will continue to maintain the approaches to the CTH P structure as needed.

A motion was made by Supervisor Albrecht, seconded by Supervisor Hamblin to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Laura Spanbauer
Highway Secretary