

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: August 17, 2015

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Ken Robl, Highway Committee Chairman  
Tom Egan, Highway Committee Member  
Kenn Olson, Highway Committee Member  
David Albrecht, Highway Committee Member  
Robert Warnke, Highway Committee Member  
Ernie Winters, Highway Commissioner

ALSO

PRESENT: Loanne Owens-Flaig, Highway Office Manager  
Jamey Gosz, Highway Equipment Superintendent

Chairman Robl called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A motion was made by Supervisor Warnke, seconded by Supervisor Egan to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2015 meeting as written. Motion carried 5-0.

Since there was no public in attendance Chairman Robl proceeded with the agenda.

Commissioner Winters distributed a packet of information regarding the Highway Department's proposed 2016 operating budget. Mr. Winters explained each category including departmental funding, culvert and bridge aid projects, and equipment purchase requests for 2016. A lengthy discussion was held regarding the proposed budget. Commissioner Winters, Ms. Owens-Flaig and Mr. Gosz fielded questions from the Committee members. Commissioner Winters stated that the Highway Department hit the budget goal as set by County Executive Harris and that he and Chairman Robl will be meeting with him today at 11:00 a.m. to discuss. After discussion Mr. Gosz and Ms. Owens-Flaig left the meeting.

Commissioner Winters stated that there are over 100 parcels of land that were purchased in the 1970's-1980's that are owned by Winnebago County but held in trust for the State of Wisconsin. Since the WIS 441 corridor has been mapped and is under construction the WisDOT has no use for some of the adjacent right of way parcels. In order for the State to dispose of the parcels Winnebago County must transfer the land back to the WisDOT. After discussion a motion was made by Supervisor Warnke, seconded by Supervisor Olson to approve a conveyance of multiple parcels of right of way on the WIS 441 corridor to the Wisconsin DOT. Motion carried 5-0.

A remnant parcel of property along CTH D was discussed. Commissioner Winters distributed a copy of the minutes from last year where this item was discussed. Recently during the survey process it was discovered that the right of way had not been previously vacated. Commissioner Winters stated that the adjacent property owner may still be interested in acquiring the property. Supervisor Albrecht stated that before a decision is made it should be determined what the lot size is and if it is buildable. Commissioner Winters stated that he will bring this item back to a future meeting for further discussion.

General Operations:

- Commissioner Winters distributed copies of a letter he received from Representative Gordon Hintz thanking the Committee for their efforts regarding the State budget.
- A summary of the State budget pertaining to County highways was distributed.
- Commissioner Winters informed the Committee about a meeting on the Oshkosh Area Long Range Transportation Plan that will be held on August 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Commissioner Winters informed the Committee about a project that will be taking place by Outagamie County at the intersection of CTH BB at Casaloma Drive. The project consists of intersection and signal improvements. CTH BB is the northern border with Winnebago County.
- Commissioner Winters informed the Committee that the multi-family land development south of the Highway Department facility will be going forward. The County will need to approve an easement to allow drainage through the wetlands and onto CTH Y.

Chairman Robl stated that due to the Labor Day Holiday the next Highway Meeting will be held on Monday, September 14, 2015.

A motion was made by Supervisor Albrecht, seconded by Supervisor Warnke to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Laura Spanbauer  
Highway Secretary