

## WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: November 3, 2014

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

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

ALSO

PRESENT: John Fink, Assistant to the County Executive  
Mike Exferd, Mead & Hunt

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 October 20, 2014 meeting as written. Motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Robl asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to address any agenda items at this time. Mike Exferd, Mead & Hunt, stated he stopped in to say hello and to mention that Mead & Hunt is ready, willing, and able to work for Winnebago County should any projects become available.

The IoH (Implements of Husbandry) issue was discussed. Commissioner Winters distributed options available for the IoH process, including a rough draft of the language that could be applied. Commissioner Winters stated he will be meeting again this week with town representatives who choose to participate in the meeting to further discuss the options. Mr. Winters stated that he is considering Option "F", which states there is no ordinance or resolution necessary but still obeys the State Law affecting Agricultural CMV's. Mr. Winters stated ideally Winnebago County and all the towns therein would use the same approach on the implementation to keep things consistent. Discussion was held as to who would be issuing the permits and if enforcement would be an issue. Mr. Winters stated that there are still many details to be worked out to have the program ready for the State suggested effective date of January 15, 2015. Commissioner Winters asked the Committee Members to review the documents and let him know if they'd like any changes to the language. Mr. Exferd exited the meeting.

The 2014 Capital Projects were discussed. Commissioner Winters distributed a summary and reported the following:

- The three mill and pave jobs scheduled for 2014 were completed. The project on CTH Z came in on budget. Both the projects on CTH Y and CTH C were completed under budget.
- CTH T is virtually done. Due to the discovery of poor base soil this project has gone over budget. Commissioner Winters will be coming to a future Committee & County Board meeting to request a budget transfer from monies remaining on other projects to cover the overage.
- The reconstruction of the intersection of CTH I and CTH N was completed under budget.
- The intersection project at CTH CB and CTH BB is nearing completion. This was a joint project with Outagamie County.

- Designs are underway for the CTH G and CTH N bridges.
- The four lane expansion of CTH I from the City of Oshkosh to Ripple Avenue is in the design phase.
- Of the four PBM projects awarded to Winnebago County by the WisDOT, two have been completed and the other two are in process at this time.

Commissioner Winters noted that he would like to see future projects budgeted closer to actual, and that is a goal he set for himself. Supervisor Egan asked if the department is still working on the Parks road project. Mr. Winters stated that project is currently about 50% complete but due to the late start, which was out of the Highway Department's control, the paving will not be completed until next year. Chairman Robl questioned if the drainage at Park View was addressed as part of the Parks job. Commissioner Winters stated that the drainage issue was addressed by Mike Elder and Rob Way separately from the road project, but he believes that by expanding the pipe size it should improve the drainage at Park View.

#### General Operations:

- ❖ Commissioner Winters distributed meeting notices from the WisDOT. The first is regarding a project to mill and pave STH 44 with project boundaries from Fond du Lac County to 500' into Winnebago County.
- ❖ The DOT will be hosting a meeting this Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. concerning the Winneconne Bridge and Main Street project. This project is scheduled for 2017.
- ❖ The DOT will host a business involvement meeting on November 12th for the maintenance improvement project for US 41 from Breezewood Lane north to WIS 15, Outagamie County. The topics discussed will include pavement repair, bridge decking and other miscellaneous repairs.
- ❖ Supervisor Albrecht questioned if there is anything new on USH 41 becoming an interstate, and how roadside signs will be affected. Commissioner Winters stated that project is still in the works. He stated that owners of signs erected along the corridor that were recently upgraded can remain. After the date certain determined by the State none of the signs can ever be upgraded or changed again, and the State will not re-permit the signs.
- ❖ Commissioner Winters distributed maps showing the four surrounding counties and their construction schedules for 2015.
- ❖ Supervisor Albrecht suggested the department send a letter of thanks to the DOT thanking them for all the support they have given Winnebago County in the past. Commissioner Winters stated that he will draft a letter.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on November 17<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Hamblin to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Laura Spanbauer  
Highway Secretary