

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: January 4, 2010

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

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

ALSO

PRESENT: Chuck Farrey, Supervisor Winnebago County Board  
Keith Marquardt, Land and Water Department  
Jen Folske, Town of Nekimi resident

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robl at 9:00 a.m. A motion was made by Supervisor Sievert, second by Supervisor Hamblin to approve the minutes from the committee meeting of December 21, 2009. Motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Robl asked for any comments related to the public input item on the agenda. Jen Folske asked Commissioner Haese if it was true that Winnebago County had obtained ARRP stimulus funding for the West Side Arterial Project. Commissioner Haese stated that no application for ARRP stimulus funds was ever forwarded for consideration for the West Side Arterial Project. However, ARRP funds were solicited and approved for the CTH D resurfacing project, which is located between STH 116 south of Winneconne and the Waushara County line near the Pumpkinseed Bridge. There was no other public input.

Keith Marquardt, representing the Winnebago County Land & Water Department discussed storm water issues with the committee. He reviewed an informational packet related to storm water issues as they relate to the environment, the local economy and social/cultural impacts of Winnebago County. Supervisor Albrecht asked if the county could charge a storm water fee as the city does for its residents and businesses. Mr. Marquardt stated that the opinion of the Corporation Counsel is that a fee cannot be charged to rural residents of the county at this time.

The committee and Mr. Marquardt discussed the issue of a storm water agreement between the City of Oshkosh and Winnebago County. Mr. Marquardt informed the committee that he has been trying to pursue an agreement with the city for over several years. The city has responded to Mr. Marquardt's initial request for an agreement, but neither party has signed onto an agreement regarding the storm water issues related to the county trunk highways that lie within the city's jurisdiction. Chairman Albrecht may approach the County Executive or the City Manager regarding the agreement in order to move the issue forward.

Commissioner Haese stated that a budget transfer related to a shortage in the 2009 Highway Department budget is not needed at this time. He informed the committee that current year end estimates indicated that there are sufficient funds available to cover all operations at this time. At this time there is approximately \$34,000 of funds remaining in the department budget. However, he also warned the committee that until the financial records for 2009 are completely closed in 2010, there is the possibility that a budget transfer related to a budget shortage may still be necessary. He will inform the committee at the next regular meeting about the status of the 2009 budget.

Commissioner Haese reviewed the Five Year Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) with the committee. Supervisor Albrecht inquired about the changes that had been made from the last version of the CIP up to this date. Commissioner Haese explained that the Five Year CIP can change several times in the course of a single year due to unexpected funds becoming available for projects. He also pointed out to the committee that the CIP is divided into design/construction projects for a five year period as well as projected asphalt resurfacing projects that may be undertaken during the same time period. The committee discussed the various projects in length. A motion was made by Supervisor Sievert, second by Supervisor Hamblin to approve the current Five Year CIP. Motion carried 5-0.

There was no report regarding department operations at this time.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hamblin, second by Supervisor Albrecht to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 A.M. The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on January 18, 2010.

Recording Secretary  
John M. Haese