

## WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: March 19, 2018

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Ken Robl, Highway Committee Chairman  
Robert Warnke, Highway Committee Member  
Tom Egan, Highway Committee Member  
Chuck Farrey, Highway Committee Member  
Jon Groth, Highway Maintenance Superintendent

EXCUSED: David Albrecht, Highway Committee Member

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 February 19, 2018 meeting as written. Motion carried 4-0.

Jon Groth, Highway Maintenance Superintendent, is present today to fill in for Commissioner Palonen who is away at a Commissioner's Training Conference. Jon began the meeting by updating the Committee on the roundabout to be constructed on CTH CB at the Secura Insurance site. Mr. Groth reported that the design has been completed and construction is set to begin on July 9th. The project is being 100% funded by Secura and the Village of Fox Crossing. The Highway Department will be doing the detour signing for the project.

The updated budget transfer for the Highway Department table of organization changes was discussed. Supervisor Farrey stated that after he made the motion to approve moving forward on this item at the last meeting he has reconsidered his motion. He stated that before he could approve this item he is requesting more information and clarification on how it will impact the employees involved. He is requesting salary amounts and explanations on what will happen to the foremen whose positions are eliminated. After discussion a motion was made by Supervisor Farrey to request more details and information for the initiative to realign employees. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Warnke and carried 4-0. This item will be addressed again at the next Highway Committee meeting.

Mr. Groth informed the Committee that April 9-13, 2018 has been named as National Work Zone Awareness Week. A motion was made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor Egan to approve that a resolution be presented to the full County Board recognizing the week of April 9-13, 2018 as Work Zone Awareness Week. Motion carried 4-0.

Superintendent Groth updated the Committee on the proposed 2018 projects. This includes the mill and pave of CTH AH, CTH K, CTH R and completion of paving CTH N. Currently highway crews are putting together a large box culvert that will be placed on CTH N in late July or August. Mr. Groth reported that the department will also be busy doing prep work for the construction of a new WisDOT salt shed and other State road projects. He stated at this time crews are trimming trees and will soon start crack sealing and replacing culverts as weather permits.

General Operations:

- Winter equipment is being removed from the trucks to prep them for hauling.
- Bridge washing will begin soon.

Chairman Robl stated the next regular meeting of the Highway Committee will be held on Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

A motion was made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor Warnke to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

Laura Spanbauer  
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