

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: April 19, 2022

TIME: 10:30 A.M.

PRESENT: David Albrecht, Highway Committee Chairman  
Tom Egan, Highway Committee Member  
Chuck Farrey, Highway Committee Member  
Robert Doemel, Highway Commissioner

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Collard, Finance Department  
Jill Prah, Highway Office Supervisor  
Sidney Opperman, 4608 CTH E, Oshkosh

Chairman Albrecht called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A motion was made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor Egan to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2022 meeting as written. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Albrecht asked for input from the public on the agenda items. Mr. Opperman addressed the committee, asking to be placed on the next meeting agenda regarding drainage issues along CTH E.

Commissioner Doemel outlined each of the 2022 capital improvement projects, and asked the committee members for their support and approval. He stated that all of the areas noted are showing significant deterioration, and are at the end of their useful lives. The projects were reported as:

1. CTH CB and CTH JJ Roundabout – \$1,800,000. The design is done and right-of-way acquired. The City of Neenah is currently doing the water/sewer utility work. The State provided \$1,000,000 of funding. Winnebago County and the City of Neenah will be responsible for \$400,000 each. A motion was made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor Egan to approve. Motion carried 3-0.
2. Future CTH T (Pioneer Rd. to CTH II) – \$1,000,000. Jurisdictional transfer and reconstruction. The construction will address vision problems by flattening some hills. The portion of Pioneer Road to CTH II will be transferred to Winnebago County as a continuation of CTH T. Supervisor Farrey asked if items #2 and #3 can be combined since they are related.
3. CTH T (CTH II to Grandview Rd) – \$800,000. Mill and overlay. The county will mill and overlay this section of CTH T. The Town of Clayton will pay to have curb and gutter added. After the project is completed, this portion of CTH T will be transferred to the Town of Clayton. A motion was made by Supervisor Farrey to approve item #2 and #3. Mike Collard clarified that the Town of Clayton is responsible for the \$300,000 revenue item listed in the budget to add the curb and gutter. Motion was seconded by Chairman Albrecht and carried 3-0.
4. CTH FF and Zoar Road intersection - \$100,000. This project originated many years ago, and right-of-way has been acquired. The intersection is sub-standard. The project will cut down the vertical profile, improving vision. This design work will provide the projected project costs. A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Farrey to approve. Motion carried 3-0.
5. CTH AP Road Diet (Midway Rd. to Oneida St.) - \$150,000. Final design/construction. This project is shared with the Village of Fox Crossing and City of Menasha. It originated due to safety concerns for pedestrians crossing four lanes of CTH AP with a school, daycare and technical school nearby. A feasibility study was completed confirming the road diet as the best option. This project will reduce the highway from four lanes to two, with a center turn lane and Traffic Hawk Crosswalk System. A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Farrey to approve. Motion carried 3-0.
6. CTH G (CTH T to Hwy 45) - \$810,000. – This project will pulverize and overlay the road with 4" of mix. Several intersections will be addressed and hills cut down for vision. A motion was made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor Egan to approve. Motion carried 3-0.
7. CTH A (CTH GG to City of Neenah) - \$500,000. Mill and overlay. This highway rated only a 2 out of 10 on the PASER scale and is badly deteriorated. At some point it will need a total reconstruction. This mill and overlay project should add 10+ years to its life. State CHI-S funding of \$124,987.68 will be applied. A motion was made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor Egan to approved. Motion carried 3-0.

8. Highway Department Building Upgrade - \$300,000. Complete feasibility study/design. The Highway facility was built in 1995. There have been no upgrades since that time. The HVAC system does not function properly, the carbon monoxide system in the shop needs to be replaced, there are still mold issues in the building, and a bigger storage area is needed for the equipment. Also, the current meeting room upstairs used for training and meetings is not ADA compliant. The Facilities Director is in charge of this project. Supervisor Farrey stated this dollar amount seemed high to him. Supervisor Egan noted that based on previous projects, the dollar amount is in line. A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Farrey to approve. Motion carried 3-0.
9. County Parks parking lots - \$750,000. In 2010 an agreement was signed that the Highway Department would assume all responsibility for county owned parking lots. This project will pulverize and pave the two north/south existing gravel parking lots between Snell Road and CTH Y in coordination with the Parks Department. A motion was made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor Egan. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Doemel informed the committee that the following reimbursement funds will be received towards 2022 capital projects:

- WisDOT will provide \$1,000,000 of LRIP-S funding for the CTH CB/JJ roundabout once the project has been completed. A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Farrey to approve. Motion carried 3-0.
- CHI-S funds will provide \$124,987.68 towards the CTH A (CTH GG to City of Neenah) project. A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Farrey to approve. Motion carried 3-0.

The following were reported as general operations:

- Highway crews are removing the wings and winter equipment off of the trucks.
- Crews are cutting brush for the towns and transitioning into the construction season.
- Supervisor Farrey asked about the tow plows. Commissioner Doemel informed him they work very well. The tow plow holds 2,000 gallons of brine so it reduces the salt usage drastically. They can also cover more lane miles at a time. They do require a large truck to pull and a larger parking area.

The next Highway Committee meeting will be announced at a later date. The newly elected county board members have not been assigned into committees yet.

A motion was made by Supervisor Egan to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Farrey and carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

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