

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: May 22, 2017

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Ken Robl, Highway Committee Chairman
Robert Warnke, Highway Committee Member
Tom Egan, Highway Committee Member
David Albrecht, Highway Committee Member
Jamey Gosz, Highway Equipment Superintendent

EXCUSED: Chuck Farrey, Highway Committee Member

Chairman Robl called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Albrecht to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2017 meeting as written. Motion carried 4-0.

Chairman Robl stated that since there was no public present he would continue onto item #3 of the agenda.

Jamey Gosz, Highway Equipment Superintendent, stated he was attending today's meeting in Commissioner Palonen's absence. Mr. Gosz stated the first item to review is transferring ownership of three parcels of excess right of way from the vacated Racine Road. Maps of the parcels were reviewed and discussed. Mr. Gosz stated the excess right of way is not large enough to be built on so the parcels could be transferred via quit claim deed to the three adjoining property owners. Supervisor Egan stated that there should be no surveying costs incurred by Winnebago County.

The roundabout on CTH CB at Secura Insurance was discussed. Mr. Gosz stated that OMNNI Associates is doing the design work. Construction is tentatively scheduled for mid-July after the Village of Fox Crossing and Secura turn over some right of way to the County. There should be no cost incurred for Winnebago County since Secura and the Village of Fox Crossing agreed to participate in funding the roundabout with the understanding that Winnebago County will include widening CTH CB to a four-lane facility in their 5-year plan.

The intersection of CTH T and Oakridge Road was discussed. Mr. Gosz stated that Commissioner Palonen has spoken with the property owners at this location. He stated that the Highway Department has been doing some drainage work along CTH T this year, including adding some culvert pipes prior to the mill and pave job starting early June. Chairman Robl asked about the accident history at the intersection. Mr. Gosz stated there is a vision problem at the corner due to the close proximity of the houses to the road.

Mr. Gosz reported the following updates as General Operations:

1. The CTH GG project (CTH A to CTH T) should be completed next week. The project included milling, paving and shouldering.
2. There is a new roof going on the Highway Department building. The Facilities Department is in charge of the project.
3. Highway crews will start chip sealing projects in June and mowing as weather permits.
4. The Supervisors completed their road surveys with the Towns and are working on job estimates. They are also evaluating all the County owned parking lots and prioritizing the work needed.
5. The recent equipment purchases were discussed.
6. The department has one Janitor/Watchman position open, then will be fully staffed. Supervisor Warnke asked if the department has enough staff. He stated if not, more employees should be requested.

Chairman Robl stated that the next regular meeting of the Highway Committee will be held on June 5th. A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Albrecht to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

Laura Spanbauer
Administrative Associate