

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: June 13, 2016

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: David Albrecht, Highway Committee Member
Robert Warnke, Highway Committee Member
Tom Egan, Highway Committee Member
Chuck Farrey, Highway Committee Member
Ernie Winters, Highway Commissioner

EXCUSED: Ken Robl, Highway Committee Chairman

ALSO

PRESENT: John Fink, Assistant to the County Executive

Supervisor Albrecht called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Farrey to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2016 meeting as written. Motion carried 4-0.

Supervisor Albrecht asked if there was any public input. There was none.

A budget transfer to perform maintenance work on Butler Avenue from CTH Y to Park View Health Center was discussed. Commissioner Winters informed the Committee that the road is in tough condition. He stated that by having the Highway Department do a wedging and thin overlay project it should maintain the road another 8-10 years until the whole campus project is determined. After discussion a motion was made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor Egan to approve an \$80,000 budget transfer to pave Butler Avenue from CTH Y to Park View Health Center. Motion carried 4-0. Supervisor Albrecht signed the budget transfer.

Commissioner Winters distributed an outline to update the Committee on the 2016 construction work planned for the Highway Department. Mr. Winters stated some of the work includes several mill and pave projects; the bridge project on CTH G; the Butler Avenue maintenance project; the CB and Oakridge traffic study; and some Town TRIP paving projects. He stated the department has a lot of State work scheduled including shouldering on STH 21 from Oshkosh to the county line and crack sealing on STH 76. The State also has some chip sealing, concrete repairs and culvert work. The department may also be performing paving work at Park View and the Facilities Department if time allows.

Commissioner Winters distributed a copy of resolution "Just Fix It" that will be sent to legislators and the Governor's office. All 72 counties are submitting this resolution in hopes that it will urge the Governor and legislators to do something long term that will fix the State Transportation funding hole. After discussion a motion was made by Supervisor Egan to approve the resolution and send on to the full County Board. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Farrey and carried 4-0.

General Operations:

- Commissioner Winters distributed some information to the Committee regarding deer crossing symbols. He informed them that he was approached by the creator of a symbol that would be painted on the road instead of the current deer crossing signs. Mr. Winters stated that any road marking has to be in conjunction with the MUTCD (Manual Uniform Traffic Control Devices) as provided by the WisDOT. Mr. Winters stated that he put the gentleman in contact with the DNR.
- Mr. Winters reminded the Committee that Bill Demler is retiring soon. He stated that Bill has been a very important asset and considers his leaving a big loss to the department. He requested any input or suggestions the Committee wishes to share regarding filling his position.
- The STH 116 project is set to begin today. The project limits are between 9th Street in the Village of Winneconne and the northern city limits of Omro. The project is expected to finish in late August of this year.

A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Farrey to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

Laura Spanbauer
Highway Secretary