

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: December 18, 2017

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
Raymond Palonen, Highway Commissioner

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 Farrey to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2017 meeting as written. Motion carried 3-0.

Since there was no one present from the public, Chairman Robl continued on to agenda item #3. Supervisor Egan joined the meeting.

Commissioner Palonen gave an update regarding the Waukau Avenue project. He stated that the \$35,000 donation provided by EAA towards the project has been received. To accept the revenue a budget transfer must be approved by the Highway and Finance Committees and full County Board. After discussion a motion was made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor Egan to authorize the additional costs and receipt of \$35,000 from EAA for the Waukau Avenue project. Motion carried 4-0.

An easement to Old CTH E was discussed. Commissioner Palonen stated that he received a request from property owners to divide their property into two lots, using old CTH E as their driveway. The property owners hired a surveyor to complete the CSM and draft an agreement. Commissioner Palonen has been working with Corporation Counsel Bodnar on this issue. After discussion, a motion was made by Supervisor Farrey to approve the easement agreement on old CTH E contingent upon the fact that Winnebago County not be responsible for any maintenance or improvement costs in the future to the easement property or driveway. Motion seconded by Chairman Robl and carried 4-0.

Commissioner Palonen reported that the WisDOT is building a detention pond along Midway Road as part of the 441 project. Pond #4 will also benefit the City of Menasha, the Village of Fox Crossing, and Winnebago County as it will provide storm water run-off in the area. The WisDOT is working on an agreement stating that the State will pay for the pond construction, but the maintenance costs must be split between all the affected municipalities. The agreement will be based on the percentage of drainage, with the State having 19%; the City of Menasha 45%; the Village of Fox Crossing 29% and Winnebago County 7%. It will be necessary to construct a storm sewer to move water from CTH P to the pond. Commissioner Palonen stated that design of a CTH P project is in the five-year Capital Improvement Program, but construction could be 5-6 years away. Mr. Palonen stated that he will keep the Committee informed as the project moves forward.

Commissioner Palonen reported the following as general operations:

- Crews were out plowing and salting during the recent snow event. He stated there were no major issues, and all went well. More snow is expected later this week.
- The Public Informational Meeting held last week on the CTH CB/Oakridge Road project went well. It was noted that there were good questions asked by those in attendance.
- There is a trial set for this Friday regarding alleged snowplow damage from last winter along I-41. Mr. Palonen stated that he may be required to testify.

A motion was made by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor Warnke to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

Laura Spanbauer
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