

April 09, 2012

The regular meeting of the Highway Committee was called to order by Chair Eugene Henke at 9:00 AM on Monday, April 09, 2012. The requirements of the Open Meeting Law were certified as being met.

Present: Eugene Henke
Alma Hedberg
Donald Peters
Paul Schwandt

Absent:

Others Present: Chuck Buss, Interim Highway Commissioner
Becky Pence, Administrative Assistant
Duane Prachel, County Superintendent
Margarete Whirry, Alternate
Dan Sondalle, Interim Corporation Counsel
Marge Bostelmann, County Clerk
Tony Daley, Berlin Newspapers

Agenda

Motion/second (Peters/Hedberg) to approve the Agenda. Motion Carried.

Minutes

Motion/second (Hedberg/Peters) to approve the meeting Minutes of March 12, 2012. Motion Carried.

Public Comments None

Correspondence None

Appearances None

Monthly Vouchers

Motion/second (Peters/Schwandt) to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$86,022.20. Motion Carried.

Commissioner's Report

Buss reported crews were cutting/trimming trees and brush on various county roads; removing stumps for CTH A reconstruction project; cleaning ditches; grading state shoulders; patching potholes and rubber crack sealing on STH 49, CTH's T, X, and B west of Kingston; removed snow fence, removed wings from graders and dismounting equipment.

Anticipated activities consists of winter maintenance as needed; rubber crack sealing on CTH B; tree and brush trimming/removal; finish dismounting equipment; work on CTH B/H intersection; surface maintenance as needed; and mowing

Crash data consisted of 18 deer, 8 other/weather, and 9 county damage claims.

DOT Request for Services None

County Highway Department Cooperative Agreement

A copy of County Highway department Cooperative Agreement for Adams, Marquette, Waushara, and Green Lake Counties was included in the committee packet.

Green Lake and Marquette County Highway Departments Cooperative Effort and Discussion relating to alternative Highway Commissioner Position and Highway Department Restructuring

Bostelmann handed out a revised summary sheet of the comparison to reorganize the highway department

management. No action taken at this time. This will be on next month's Agenda.

Driveway Variance, CTH B – Richard Weaver

Buss explained that Richard Weaver has not paid yet and may be on the Agenda for next month.

Financial Reports-Accounts Receivable, Expenditures, and Revenues

The Committee reviewed the Financial Reports for Highway.

Committee Meeting Date and Time Change

Discussion held and to keep on the Agenda.

Use of County Property None

Bridge Inspection Certification

Eight employees were interested in becoming certified for bridge inspections (Otto, Nighbor, Dolgner, Jahn, Arndt, Seeliger, Schmeckpeper, and Keipe). Discussion held and Buss to prepare a formal short list along with criteria in years of experience, longevity, etc. to bring back to the committee in May.

Town of Marquette Use of Rubber Melter

Buss explained that the Town of Marquette would like to use our Craftco Melter, Unit 576 on Friday's when we are on the four day week schedule. Discussion held.

Motion/second (Peters/Schwandt) to adhere to our existing policy of charging for equipment and man hours for use of equipment. Motion Carried.

Careers on Wheels (COWS), May 2, 2012

Motion/second (Hedberg/Schwandt) to approve participating and sending one employee and one truck for the Princeton School District "Careers on Wheels" on Tuesday, May 2, 2012 from 8:30 am – 12:00 pm.

Legislative Breakfast

Motion/second (Henke/Hedberg) to approve Buss's attendance at the 2012 Legislative Breakfast in Wausau on April 20, 2012. Motion Carried.

WCHA 2012 Summer Highway Conference

Motion/second (Schwandt/Hedberg) to approve the Interim Commissioner and Chair of the Highway Committee to attend the WCHA Summer Conference on June 4, 5, 6, 2012 at Wisconsin Dells. Motion Carried.

Railroad Consortium None

Closed Session

Motion/Second (Schwandt/Peters) to convene in closed session per ss19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; ss19.85(1)(g) conferring with legal counsel for the governing body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. The closed session relates to employee evaluation(s); Interim Commissioner Position, and to David Affeldt, et. Al. vs. Green Lake County Case No.: 08CV92. Roll-Call Vote, 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

Resume Open Session

Motion/Second (Peters/Schwandt) to resume open session. Roll-Call Vote, 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

Discussion and Possible Action on Matters Discussed In Closed Session Relating to employee evaluations, Interim Commissioner Position and David Affeldt, et. Al. vs. Green Lake County Case No.: 08CV92

Possible mediation will take place on April 26, 2012 at 9:00 regarding David Affeldt, et. Al. vs. Green Lake County Case No.: 08CV92. The Highway Committee Chair and or his representative(s) will also attend.

Motion/second (Peters/Schwandt) to approve the evaluations for Roger Priebe, Laborer and Kevin Keipe, State Patrolman, and to forward on to their personnel files. Motion Carried.

Committee Discussion

Peters discussed data regarding road construction and bridge repairs being approximately 50% behind due to costs and the committee needs to re-evaluate spending money going forward.

Buss informed the committee about Landmark's chemical spill on STH 73/44; and due to the wind the burn pile at Shop 2 almost started a small grass fire.

Trucks entering on top of Mackford Hill on CTH A needs to be checked out regarding possible truck entrance signs.

- **Future agenda items for action and discussion:**
 - **David Affeldt, et. Al. vs. Green Lake County Case No. 08CV92**
 - **CTH A – Mackford Hill**

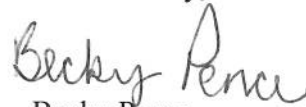
- **Regular meeting date: June 11, 2012 at 9:00 AM**

Field Road Review None

Adjournment

Motion/second (Peters/Schwandt) to adjourn at 10:15 PM. Motion carried.

Submitted by,



Becky Pence
Secretary