

**MINUTES OF THE
HIGHWAY, INFRASTRUCTURE & RECREATION COMMITTEE**

DAY & DATE: July 10, 2013
PLACE: Wood County Courthouse, 400 Market St., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494, Room 115
MEETING TIME: 8:00 A.M.
ADJOURNMENT TIME: 11:20 A.M.
MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman, Al Breu; Vice-Chairman, Trent Miner; Secretary, Dennis Polach; Member Marion Hokamp, and Member Gerald Nelson
OTHERS PRESENT: Highway Commissioner, Doug Passineau; Office Supervisor, Heather Gehrt; Forest Administrator, Fritz Schubert; Parks Construction Supervisor, Dennis Quinnell; Lisa & Ron Carlson, Town of Dexter No Wake Signs; David Van Vleck, Town of Dexter No Wake Signs; Lori Groskopf, Public; and Herbert Malsin, Wisconsin Bear Hunters Association

1. Chairman A. Breu called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.
2. Public comments: Lisa & Ron Carlson along with David Van Vleck attended this portion of the meeting to discuss the issues they have been having with the signs that were allowed by the Committee to put up on County property regarding "No Wake" in the Town of Dexter. The consensus of the Committee is to verify that signs located on County property were put up properly per instructions (June 7, 2012 minutes) and if they are not put up properly then they are to be removed. Member Gerald Nelson brought up some concerns he has been receiving from people regarding the mowing at certain intersections and the visibility.
3. The minutes of the June 06, 2013 Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee meeting were reviewed.

A motion was made by G. Nelson and seconded by M. Hokamp to approve the above-mentioned minutes. Motion carried.

4. D. Passineau discussed the Bridgewater residential project and that road construction is expected to be completed in 2014 and all DNR permits are secured.
5. The assessed value of the property located next to the Wisconsin Rapids shop is being discussed along with a discussion on a possible land swap.
6. D. Passineau has applied for two grants from the Freight Initiative Program. One grant would be for the bypass from CTH W/STH 54 to CTH Z/STH 13 and the other grant for CTH U to the Biron Mill.

A motion was made by G. Nelson and seconded by T. Miner to support the above-mentioned projects. Motion carried.

7. CTH Z has a problem with shading in a corner and in the winter it becomes slick. The right-of-way is available to be purchased.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to purchase the right-of-way on CTH Z and make necessary safety repairs. Motion carried.

8. CTH S and CTH K used to allow access from Auburndale and Milladore to HWY 10, but the roads are now being posted with seasonal weight restrictions. D. Passineau is working with the WisDOT to get these roads upgraded to accommodate for year round traffic.

9. CTH A concrete bids were discussed with Trierweiler Construction having the low bid of \$680,140.64.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by M. Hokamp to go with the low bid from Trierweiler Construction. Motion carried.

10. Current Projects Update. (see attached sheet)

11. The monthly bill listing was reviewed.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by G. Nelson to approve the monthly bill listing. Motion carried.

12. Accounting Supervisor's report was reviewed.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to approve the Accounting Supervisor's report. Motion carried.

13. Correspondence

- Backhoe will be delivered to the WR shop later today.
- Upcoming Frac Sand meeting with Completion.
- There are currently 3 postings for available jobs.
- TopCon computer program is going well.

T. Miner requested that item #17c be discussed at this time..

14. Item # 17c-Wolf Resolution

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to approve the wolf resolution and forward it to County Board for their approval. Motion carried.

The Committee took a break at 9:25 AM and resumed at 9:45 AM

15. Parks Construction Supervisor's report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to go into closed session pursuant to §19.85 (1)(c), Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of evaluating the performance of the Mechanic position.

A roll call vote was taken to go into closed session: A. Breu-yes; M. Hokamp-yes; T. Miner-yes; G. Nelson-yes; D. Polach

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by M. Hokamp to return to open session. Motion carried.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by G. Nelson to approve the Parks Construction Supervisor's report. Motion carried.

16. Office Supervisor's report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to approve the Office Manager's report. Motion carried.

17. Park and Forestry Director's report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)

- The annual report needs some wording changed and the Committee would also like the Department of Tourism Impacts study attached to it.
- The Committee would like to see a sign with the new logo and names of the Committee on a sign. There wasn't a preference to the type of sign used and placement.
- Special Use Permit for yoga classes at Red Sands Beach on 07/15-09/2013 on Wednesday and Thursday evenings.
Special Use Permit for 3rd Annual Walk-A-Thon by First Choice Pregnancy on 05/17/2014

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to approve the above-mentioned special use permit. Motion carried.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by M. Hokamp to approve the Park and Forestry Director's report. Motion carried.

18. Forest Administrator's Report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)

- Wood County Wildlife Area Advisory Committee applications were reviewed.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to approve the applicants and forward to the County Board Chairman for his approval and appointment. Motion carried.

- Shooting Range Improvements were discussed as there is an issue with the wetness and walking down range to the target areas. One possible solution is to reshape the areas and add shell rock on top to raise them. There are also grants available for public shooting ranges that are a 75-25% split; but have a lot of rules and regulations attached with them.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to approve the Forest Administrator's report. Motion carried.

19. Correspondence.

- Tourism Impacts summary by County.
- Injuries, Property Losses, and Liability Claims report for June.

20. Old Business—None

21. A tentative date of Tuesday, August 13, 2013 is planned for the Highway/Parks/Forestry Tour starting at 8:00 A.M. leaving from the Courthouse parking lot off of Avon St.

22. The monthly bill listing was reviewed.

A motion was made by G. Nelson and seconded by T. Miner to approve the monthly bill listing. Motion carried.

23. The revenue report was reviewed.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to approve the revenue report. Motion carried.

24. The next meeting date is August 1, 2013 at 8:00 A.M. in the Wood County Highway Shop, Wisconsin Rapids.

A motion was made by G. Nelson and seconded by T. Miner to adjourn at 11:20 A.M. Motion carried.

Dennis Polach

Dennis Polach, Secretary

Minutes taken by Heather Gehrt, Park & Forestry Office Supervisor