

# Highway/Solid Waste Committee Minutes

August 12, 2021

The Highway Committee meeting was called to order at 7:00 AM by Chairman Gary Paape. Members present included Tom Romdenne, John Mastalir, Joe Lukes, and Aaron Augustain.

Staff present included Highway Commissioner Todd Every.

## Adoption of Agenda:

Aaron Augustine made a motion to adopt today's agenda. Second by John Mastalir. Motion carried unanimously.

## Approval of Minutes:

Aaron Augustine made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting. Second by John Mastalir. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: None

## Reports:

Commissioner Every had the following to report for work being completed:

- Finished paving and shouldering CTH C and CTH S
- Fence to Fence ditch mowing on south side of the county
- Red River Park road reconstruction
- Ditching
- Bridge Maintenance for towns
- Centerline and edge line painting

Commissioner Every presented the following financial information:

- ✓ County Roads and Bridge Budget Report (January 1 thru July 24th)
- ✓ Finance Department Reports thru June 30

Commissioner Every had the following information to report:

Commissioner Every is working on the annual budgets for the Highway Department and solid waste operations. The proposed budgets will be presented to the committee at the next meeting.

The CTH C Bridge Deck rehabilitation project continues. The contractor has completed the repairs to the surface, poured the deck overlay, repairs to the bridge face and piers. Forms on the pier repairs cannot be taken off due to the high water from the recent storms. Due to the amount of repairs to the deck and the sag in the middle section of the bridge, the concrete overlay quantities are above the estimated plan quantities. Commissioner Every showed the committee a slideshow of the bridge repairs provided by our engineer.

Construction of the new Elm Road bridge in the Town of Casco began in July. Contractor has completed construction of the abutment and bridge deck. Backfill of the abutments and grading will be completed the week of 8/16. The department will be paving the approaches the week of 8/23.

The State Highway 42 (Kewaunee City Limits – Kewaunee/Door County Line) is scheduled to start on 8/23. Work will begin north of Algoma and proceed south.

The department had an unanticipated retirement since the last meeting. Staff is working with the Administrator's office to fill the open Highway Worker position using the Eligibility List.

We are continuing to complete the maintenance items at the landfill. Site mowing and weed wacking is complete. Washouts on the site have been filled and seeded.

**Red River Park – County Highway Inventory:** As discussed in the previous meeting, the committee is considering placing Park Road (Red River Park) and Ransom Moore Lane (Winter Park), which mostly serve as access into county parks and facilities, onto the county highway inventory.

Motion by Joe Lukes to proceed with placing Park Road and Ransom Moore Lane into the county highway inventory and placing the improvement of these roads into the Transportation Improvement Program for future improvements. Seconded by John Mastalir. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **County Highway C Curves Traffic Evaluation:**

Request for comments from the area residents regarding installation of mumble/rumble strips entering the curves was sent out earlier this summer. Comments from the public were taken until July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Commissioner Every presented the comments received. Four comments were received. There were comments both in support of and not in support of installation of mumble/rumble strips entering the curves in this area.

Commissioner Every reviewed the possible improvements to help motorists be aware of the curves and their estimated costs.

After discussion, the committee felt installation of rumble/mumble strips entering the curves is an improvement to explore. These grooves could be routed into the pavement at a lower cost and possibly provide the motorists with another type of advanced warning for the upcoming curves. Also, if proven ineffective or too noisy for the residents, the warning strips could be milled and an asphalt patch installed to eliminate the grooves.

Commissioner Every will consult with an engineer for the proper location of the devices prior to entering the curves.

Motion by Tom Romdenne to install rumble/mumble strips (grooves) in advance of the curves on CTH C to provide an additional warning of the upcoming curves. Seconded by Joe Lukes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Town of Red River (Macco Road) Bridge Aid Request:**

Commissioner Every presented a Bridge Aid Petition for the replacement of a culvert on Macco Road (east of CTH AB) in the Town of Red River.

Motion made by Aaron Augustine to approve the Town of Red River – Macco Road Bridge Aid request in the amount of \$40,038 and to forward a resolution to the County Board for approval. Second by Tom Romdenne. Motion carried unanimously.

**Main Shop Replacement / Upgrade Project:**

Commissioner Every presented a draft of the summary document highlighting the Phase I and Phase II findings and recommendations. This summary is intended to keep the County Board informed regarding the deficiencies of the Main Shop buildings, space needs and summaries of the planning studies completed in the past two years.

The Committee recognizes this project needs to be kept in the list of improvements needed for county facilities.

Commissioner Every reminded the committee this project has been listed on the Highway Department's Capital Improvement Program. Commissioner Every will update the program to reflect the information from Phase II of the studies.

Discussion followed.

Motion by John Mastalir to send a copy of the project summary prepared by the Commissioner and copy of the Phase II report to the county board supervisors. Seconded by Aaron Augustine. Motion carried unanimously.

**Any other business as allowed by law:** None.

**Next meeting dates:**

- a. September 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 AM
- b. October 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 AM (includes Road Tour)

**Adjournment:**

Motion by Joe Lukes to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 AM. Seconded by John Mastalir. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted: Todd Every, Highway Commissioner