

Highway/Solid Waste Committee Minutes

December 9, 2021

The Highway Committee meeting was called to order at 7:00 AM by Chairman Gary Paape. All members were present.

Staff present: Highway Commissioner Todd Every and Office Manager Mary Meyer.

Guests: Troy Robillard – Ayres Associates

Adoption of Agenda:

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

Approval of Minutes:

Tom Romdenne made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 11, 2021 meeting. Second by John Mastalir. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: Troy Robillard attended the meeting to give an update on current engineering projects being completed by Ayres Associates.

Reports:

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

- Winter Maintenance as needed
- Making salt brine
- Hauling salt and sand/salt to outlying sheds
- Snow fence post installation

Office Manager Meyer presented the following financial information:

- ✓ County Roads and Bridge Budget Report (January 1 thru November 27th, 2021)

Commissioner Every had the following information to report:

Staff installed the mumble strips near the curves on CTH C north of Casco. Staff will monitor the area and accidents in the area to determine the effectiveness of these devices.

Commissioner Every contacted the owner of the proposed restaurant/bar in Stangelville regarding parking in the area. Commissioner Every is waiting for a request from the owner and proposed parking designed at the location.

With the retirement of our current Stock Clerk/Fuel Manager, we have moved/trained another employee on the job requirements. We will also be analyzing the fuel management portion of the operation to see if there are efficiencies to be gained.

Interviews are scheduled for filling our Account Clerk II position. We hope to have the position filled in mid-December.

We have offered a Highway Worker position to a candidate on the Eligibility List. Start date is pending pre-employment testing.

2022 Tri-Axle Chassis Purchase

Background

Each year we have planned to purchase a new dump truck as part of our Capital Improvement Plan to replace aging trucks in our fleet.

Staff recently requested proposals for the purchase of a new tri axle truck chassis. Attached is the Request for Proposals (specifications) for your reference.

Three vendors submitted proposals for the chassis. The summary attached compares the chassis meeting our minimum requirements.

The lowest responsible proposal came from Truck Country of Wisconsin, Inc. for the 2023 Freightliner 114SD truck chassis.

As part of the request, we take pricing on extended engine warranties (i.e. 5 yr./100,000 mile). Truck Country pricing for the extended warranty is \$2,950.

Financial Impact

The proposed cost of the truck chassis and extended engine warranty is \$123,700.

Funds to purchase the trucks are available from the Highway Department Internal Service Fund.

Aaron Augustine made a motion to approve purchasing one new 2023 Freightliner 114SD truck chassis and extended engine warranty from Truck Country of Wisconsin, Inc. for \$123,700 and to forward this information to the Finance Committee for approval and recommendation to the County Board. Seconded by Tom Romdenne. Motion carried unanimously.

CTH M/Taft Lane Drainage: Commissioner Every reviewed water drainage issues at the intersection of CTH M/Taft Lane just outside the City of Algoma. During significant rain events, water draining off this intersection creates a flooding issue near the house in the northeast quadrant of the intersection and water running across the driveways north of the intersection.

Commissioner Every presented a proposal from Ayres Associates to investigate the extension of curbing and culvert installation to improve water management at the intersection.

Motion by John Mastalir to approve the contract for \$7,500 with Ayres Associates to study the drainage at the CTH M/Taft Lane intersection. Seconded by Tom Romdenne. Motion carried unanimously.

Any other business as allowed by law: None

Next meeting dates:

- a. January 13th @ 7:00 AM
- b. January 17-19 – WCHA Winter Highway Conference – WI Dells
- c. February 10th @ 7:00 AM

Adjournment:

Motion by Joe Lukes to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 AM. Seconded by Tom Romdenne. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted: Todd Every, Highway Commissioner