

MINUTES

HIGHWAY, INFRASTRUCTURE & RECREATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, June 1, 2023
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Highway Dept. – Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jake Hahn, Dave LaFontaine, John Hokamp, Lee Thao, Al Breu
(via WebEx)

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list

1. Chairman Hahn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and declared a quorum present.
2. There were no public comments at this time but were allowed during the agenda item during the meeting.
3. The minutes of the May meeting were reviewed. Motion by Hokamp/LaFontaine to accept them as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
4. The City of Wisconsin Rapids is considering opening up a section of city street for ATV/UTV traffic to coincide with the action taken by the committee last month, in order to access the Kwik Trip on 8th St. Motion by Thao/Hokamp to open up the entirety of CTH Z to ATV/UTV traffic, pending city approval of their plan. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by LaFontaine/Hokamp to allow ATV/UTV traffic in Nepco County Park. Motion carried unanimously.
5. The Highway Dept. staff reports and revenue reports were presented. The status of the Pittsville salt shed was reviewed. Motion by Hahn/Breu to direct staff to continue to move forward with the withdrawal of County Forest Land along STH 80 for the purpose of building a salt shed to replace the Pittsville shed. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Motion by LaFontaine/Thao to approve the Highway Dept. vouchers. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Hawk asked the committee to amend the 2024 CIP in order to be able to purchase a vacuum truck, if a reasonably priced one came on the market. This would not be tax levied. Motion by LaFontaine/Thao to amend the 2024 CIP for the purchase of a vacuum truck. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Hawk presented an offer from a prospective buyer of land on the corner of CTH A and Richfield Drive for an easement/dedication type scenario of land for vision corners/possible future right-of-way on the corner of CTH A and Richfield Drive. Motion by LaFontaine/Breu to have Corp Counsel draft a resolution providing the best option for the county and bring back to the committee for action. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Hawk reported on a pilot program concerning Local Road Improvement Program for municipalities. Further action may be required by the committee at a future date.
10. The Parks & Forestry staff reports were reviewed.
11. Parks & Forestry revenue reports were reviewed. Motion by Breu/Hokamp to approve them as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
12. Motion by LaFontaine/Thao to approve the Parks & Forestry vouchers. Motion carried unanimously.
13. The timber bids were presented to the committee. Motion by LaFontaine/Breu to award contracts to the highest bidders. Motion carried unanimously.
14. Agenda items for next meeting include Wildlife Advisory Committee appointment, personnel discipline and Parks & Forestry Annual Report.
15. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 6th at 9:00 AM at the Highway Office.
16. Chairman Hahn declared the meeting adjourned at 10:19 AM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

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