

# MINUTES

## HIGHWAY, INFRASTRUCTURE & RECREATION COMMITTEE

**DATE:** Thursday, May 1, 2025  
**TIME:** 9:00 AM  
**PLACE:** Highway Dept., Conference Room

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jake Hahn, Al Breu, Scott Brehm, Lee Thao

**MEMBER EXCUSED:** John Hokamp

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Trent Miner, County Clerk, see attached sign-in sheet

1. Chairman Hahn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and declared a quorum present.
2. Under public comment, Supervisor Clendenning read an email from a constituent concerned by the number e-bikes on the walking trails and the speed in which they are able to travel. This will be brought up as an agenda item in the future.
3. Under correspondence, Highway Commission Hawk reviewed the upcoming Bluff to Bluff race, do not enter signage on USH 10 & STH 186, and a Scriveners error on a bid for milling and pulverizing in their online bidding system.
4. The minutes of the April 3, 2025, meeting were presented. Forest Administrator Schubert requested correction on the date that the timber bids were to be received, which will be May 22, 2025. Motion by Breu/Thao to accept the minutes as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.
5. ATV/UTV update included that the section of trail from Hay Creek Road to Peterson Road in the Town of Hiles will be completed and opened with the Jackson County trails open.
6. The Highway Dept. staff reports were highlighted and reviewed.
7. The Highway revenue report was reviewed.
8. Motion by Thao/Brehm to approve the Highway Dept. vouchers. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Hawk reviewed the upcoming construction as it relates to the intersection of CTH F & HH. The county owns parcels on both sides of the road to allow for reconstruction of this intersection. Hawk is requesting the committee to allow him to have a donation waiver put in place for the land needed for the right-of-way and, in one of the parcels, and allow the the remaining land left over after the construction be sold to the adjacent land owner. Motion by Breu/Brehm to approve the recommendation of the Highway Commissioner. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Hawk reviewed the history of the Local Road Improvement Program and how the county was in a pilot program to aid the Wisconsin Towns Association to hire a consultant for the towns to do some the administerial duties of the program instead of the county highway department. The Town Chairmen of the Town of Rudolph and Wood expressed frustration at how this pilot program has been administered and would like to see the county opt out of the pilot program this term. Motion by Brehm/Breu to recommend opting out to the Wood County Unit of the Wisconsin Towns

Association and asking them to take a vote of their membership on the subject. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Hawk reviewed the 2026-2030 Highway Dept. CIP plan and presented a memo highlighting funding of the county trunk highway system. More information will be forthcoming as the entire county CIP plan is developed.
12. The Parks & Forestry staff reports were reviewed.
13. Parks & Forestry Director Schooley reviewed the 3 special use permits that were included in the committee packet. Motion by Breu/Thao to approve the special use permits as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
14. Schooley reviewed the status of the remodeling projects being completed on CERA Park.
15. Fred Heider from the North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission presented an update to the Parks, Recreation, and Open Spaces Plan being developed. He highlight the customer survey numbers as well as some preliminary objectives. He advised the committee to review them and let him or Schooley know if they feel anything else should be amended or added.
16. The Wood County Wildlife Advisory Committee meeting minutes were reviewed.
17. Parks & Forestry revenue reports were reviewed.
18. Motion by Hahn/Thao to approve the Parks & Forestry vouchers. Motion carried unanimously.
19. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 AM at the Highway Department Conference Room.
20. Chairman Hahn declared the meeting adjourned at 10:11 AM.

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

**Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee  
May 1, 2025**

NAME	REPRESENTING
JEFF PEURKAMP	WCB #11
Bill Clandening	WCB #50
Roger [Signature]	Town of Wood
Dennis Polach	WCB
Fred Helder	NCWRPC
Randy Nieman	Town of Rudolph
Fritz Schubert	WCF
CHAD SHARLEY	PIF
Rogan Hawk	WCH
Lance Prime	WCB