

Buffalo County Minutes

Committee/Board: BUFFALO COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, January 9, 2018

Location: Highway Department Committee Room
S1672 State Road 37, Alma, Wisconsin

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Mr. Grisen called a regular scheduled meeting of the Buffalo County Highway Committee to order at 9:03 a.m. on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 in the Highway Department Committee Room, S1672 State Road 37, Alma, Wisconsin.

Buffalo County Highway Committee members present at the meeting were: Mr. Danzinger via telephone, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Brunkow, Mr. Bork and Mr. Grisen. Mr. Platteter, Buffalo County Highway Commissioner, was also present. Others present for all/part of the meeting were Kelly Johnston, Patrol Superintendent, Sonya Hansen, Administrative Coordinator and Jim Palkowski, Shop Foreman.

The minutes of the December 12, 2017 regular Buffalo County Highway Committee meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Mr. Brunkow, seconded by Mr. Taylor and unanimously approved by the committee.

The meeting agenda was approved.

The Highway Committee members reviewed and discussed accounts payable vouchers #024684 through #024738, totaling \$316,399.68. A motion to approve the accounts payable was made by Mr. Bork, and seconded by Mr. Brunkow. Unanimously approved by the committee.

Staffing:

- A. Commissioner Appointment – After February 2, 2018 Mr. Platteter will become an at will employee. This means that he doesn't have to be re-appointed.

Equipment:

- A. Resolution for Purchase of Two State Patrol Trucks –
 - Correction to purchase amount – Mr. Brunkow made a motion to change the minutes from the December 12, 2017 meeting which stated the purchase price for two trucks was \$291,000.00. The change will be to \$292,396.00 for the two new trucks. Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.
 - Mr. Brunkow made a motion to approve this Resolution, Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.
- B. Bids for Shop Truck w/ Crane – There was only one bid received for the new shop truck cab/chassis from Fountain City Ford in the amount of \$45,650.00. There was also only one bid received for the mechanics box, crane and air compressor from Universal Truck Equipment for \$63,996.00. The combined bids come in at \$109,646.00. There was a budget of \$100,000.00 plus trade-in value of the old service truck. We will have to sell the old service truck out-right because Fountain City Ford does not want the truck as a trade. This is why the combine bids are above the budgeted \$100,000.00. Mr. Brunkow made a motion to accept the two combined bids of \$109,646.00 and sell the old service truck. Mr. Bork seconded. Motion carried.

- C. Resolution for Purchase of Shop Truck with Crane – Mr. Brunkow made a motion for a Resolution to accept the combined bids of \$109,646.00. Mr. Bork seconded. Motion carried.
- D. Bids for Track Skidsteer – There were nine bids received for the new Track Skidsteer. After looking over the bids and eliminating the ones that didn't meet specs, we were left with seven bids. The budgeted amount was \$18,000.00 plus trade-in value. The two lowest bids for the machine plus root grapple with two hydraulic cylinders were Value Implement at \$19,375.00 and Komro Sales at \$19,400.00. It was discussed and decided to go with Komro Sales as we already have a Bobcat track machine and parts & filters in stock. Mr. Bork made a motion to accept Komro Sales bid of \$16,500.00 plus trade-in for the track Skidsteer and \$2,900.00 for the Root Grapple for a total of \$19,400.00. Mr. Brunkow seconded. Motion carried.
- E. Resolution for Purchase of Track Skidsteer – None needed.

Buildings & Grounds:

- A. Status of Camera System – The Company has not been here to install the fourth camera at the Alma Shop yet due to the weather. We will be contacting them to get an update.

Roads & Bridges:

- A. County –
 - I. FEMA Update – Keith Fulton from FEMA has been here on a weekly basis going over the flood damages. Everything is moving along smoothly.
 - II. Bonding Plan/Update – There is no way to get under a 5 year plan due to the manpower and equipment available. Mr. Brunkow made a motion to move the proposal to finance committee for next week meeting. Mr. Bork seconded. Motion carried.
- B. Townships –
 - I. Plowing – Town of Naples – The Town of Naples employee retired as of December 29, 2017. This was kind of a last minute decision. For the moment we have an auxiliary back up employee covering the plowing until the Town of Naples decides what they are going to do. Mr. Brunkow made a motion to notify the Town of Naples that they have 30 days to decide what they are going to do. Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried. Mr. Brunkow made a motion to have Mr. Platteter make and write up a policy to cover township work and pricing for all townships by next meeting. Mr. Bork seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner's Report:

- WCHA Winter Road School – Mr. Platteter, Mr. Bork and Mr. Taylor will be attending this on January 15, 16 & 17th, 2018.
- Status of the \$1,000,000.00 bonding for 2017 was discussed.

Committee Member's Report:

- It was discussed that when bidding equipment, we should include more of the workers for input on the equipment being purchased and not just the mechanics. This is already being done with all new truck purchases and operator specific equipment, such as dozers, loaders, excavators and graders.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Bork made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, Buffalo County Highway Committee