

Buffalo County Minutes

Committee/Board: BUFFALO COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, July 10, 2018

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

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Chairman Grisen called a regular scheduled meeting of the Buffalo County Highway Committee to order at 9:01 a.m. on Tuesday, July 10, 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, Mr. Taylor, 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. Mr. Brunkow excused.

The minutes of the June 12, 2018 regular Buffalo County Highway Committee meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Mr. Bork, seconded by Mr. Taylor and unanimously approved by the committee.

The meeting agenda was approved.

There were no public comments regarding Agenda items.

The Highway Committee members reviewed and discussed accounts payable vouchers #025098 through #025163, totaling \$258,515.95. A motion to approve the accounts payable was made by Mr. Bork and seconded by Mr. Taylor. Unanimously approved by the committee.

Staffing:

- A. Open Patrol Position – Dennis Semling was offered and accepted the Foreman’s position. Matt Hund will be moving from the Alma Shop to the Fountain City Shop. They will be switching routes. The open patrolman’s position will be out of the Alma Shop. Application deadline is July 20, 2018 at 4:30p.m.
- B. Signing Help – Possibility of getting a list together of 6-8 high school students or retired people on a list as part-time help with flagging as needed. Come up with a job description, talk to administration and compile a list of people. Mr. Danzinger made a motion for Mr. Platteter to move ahead with this and Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Equipment:

- A. Resolution for One New Motor Grader – After demonstrating both Caterpillar and John Deere motor graders, the consensus was that the Caterpillar was a more user friendly motor grader and it was the lowest bid. Mr. Taylor made a motion to accept the lowest bid which was the Caterpillar Motor Grader from Fabick in the amount of \$256,237.00 with trade per the signed resolution, Mr. Danzinger seconded. Motion carried.
- B. Replace Brine Maker & Anti-Icing Equipment – We have been accepted to a State program to receive a new brine maker and storage setup. An MOU and Lease Agreement will be required with WisDOT.
- C. Machinery Disposal – Check to see pricing differences between trade-ins and selling outright. Also get bids with and without trade-ins. Watch market prices, auction prices, etc. New sign truck which is scheduled and budgeted for in 2019 will need to be discussed and possibly ordered yet this year in order to get at a reasonable time in 2019.

Buildings & Grounds:

- A. Alma Shop Pavement Seal – Replay sealant cost is \$.26 per square foot. To do the whole parking lot would cost about \$18,800.00. It was suggested to select areas more critical for sealing such as the wash area and around the fuel area. Mr. Bork made a motion to seal areas selected and not to exceed \$10,000.00 to be taken from retained earnings. Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

- B. Shop Lights – We are still working with vendors to get second bids.
- C. Town of Waumandee Agreement – Mr. Taylor made a motion to agree to a 60/40 split with the Town of Waumandee for the Waumandee Shop, with Corporate Counsel writing up and agreement to be signed by both parties. Mr. Bork seconded. Motion carried.

Roads & Bridges:

- A. 2017-2022 Bridge Program Award – We have been awarded 9 bridges to be replaced in the next 5 years. This will be an 80/20 split cost.
- B. Strategic Plan – Mr. Platteter is in the process of working on this plan. It will be sent out to the Highway Committee members when completed, to be read and approved.
- C. Culvert Inventory – Possibility of getting a count of all culverts per road and county total. Come up with a plan by next meeting showing time frame and cost for 2-3 of the seasonal mower men to do the culvert inventory of the roads.
- D. 2018 Project Status – Chips for the chip sealing projects are in the process of being delivered. CTH “M” culverts and dirt work are starting to wrap up. Heading for CTH “CC” next. Possible paving starting in August and State, County and Township chip seals. State Bridge Deck washing and sealing starting next week.
- E. Maintenance Projects – Patrolmen drive their routes and write down any issues they see especially after storms. Plans are then made to get workers out to take care of these issues starting with the worst ones first.
- F. Mowing Status – County roads are 85% done with the first round and state roads will be done after this week except for arm mowing behind guardrails which is in the process.

WCHA-LDG Annual Road School – October 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 2018. Mr. Danzinger made a motion to send Mr. Johnston, Mr. DeWitt, Mr. Palkowski and Mr. Semling to the Annual Road School. Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

2018 CHEMS Annual Training October 24th, 25th, 26th, 2018 – Mr. Taylor made a motion to send Ms. Prenot and Ms. Schmidtkecht to the CHEMS Training. Mr. Bork seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner’s Report:

- Ancom Radios – Check with the Sheriff’s Dept. to see what their plans are. Possibility of better pricing per radio if done together at the same time. Possibility of leasing the radios and towers versus buying the radios.

Committee Member’s Report:

- Sand from the Corp. of Engineers. Get some prices together for trucking etc. for hauling to the Mondovi Sand Pit. Talk to Mr. Castleberg and see if there is an official easement agreement to get to the property or possibility of getting one.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment: Mr. Taylor made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Bork seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary, Buffalo County Highway Committee