

## Barron County Highway Committee Meeting

May 5, 2022 Minutes – 8:00 a.m.

**Members Present:** Roberta Mosentine, Dale Heinecke, Marv Thompson, Jim Gores, Louie Okey, Bill Effertz

**Others Present:** Mark Servi, Nate Nelson, Anthony Tangwall, Lori Raven, Jeff Wolfe, Chris Fitzgerald, Fran Langman, Dan North, Ryan Urban, John Postle, Jason Clark

The Highway Committee meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Commissioner Servi.

**Approve the agenda: (Gores/Effertz)** to approve the agenda as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Approve the minutes: (Effertz/Mosentine)** to approve the April 7, 2022 meeting minutes as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** No comment at this time.

**Election of Chair: (Effertz/Mosentine)** to nominate Marv Thompson as Committee Chair. (Heinecke/Gores) to cast a unanimous ballot for Marv Thompson. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Election of Vice Chair: (Mosentine/Effertz)** to nominate Jim Gores as Committee Vice Chair. (Thompson/Heinecke) to cast a unanimous ballot for Jim Gores. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Election of Executive Committee Representation: (Heinecke/Mosentine)** to nominate Marv Thompson as the Executive Committee Member. (Heinecke/Mosentine) to cast a unanimous ballot for Marv Thompson. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Servi passed the meeting to Chair Thompson at 8:12 a.m.

**CTH K Closure and Detour Route:** Servi indicated that Dunn County will be closing CTH K on July 11<sup>th</sup> for replacement of a bridge by Connersville. Project is estimated to take 50 working days. Servi

recommended to allow Dunn County to use CTH A as a detour route. Motion to allow Dunn County to use CTH A as a detour route **(Mosentine/Effertz)** All in favor. Motion carried.

**CTH OO Request for Closure for Skate Ski Event:** Servi presented information on a request to close CTH OO for three hours on July 8<sup>th</sup>. Servi recommended to deny as there are safety and insurance concerns. Motion to deny request for closure of CTH OO. **(Heinecke/Gores)** All in favor. Motion carried.

**ATV / UTV Route Update / Ordinance Revision:** Servi presented the updated language for the ordinance. Postle indicated that the Town of Chetek will accept the changes the County makes. Fitzgerald indicated that there are continuing concerns with connectivity issues. Motion to accept the ordinance and pass along to county board **(Mosentine/Gores)** All in favor. Motion carried. Motion to create a map of prospective ATV/UTV usage on County Highways to continue the discussion **(Effertz/Mosentine)** All in favor. Motion carried.

**V & M Signs Update:** Servi gave an update on the letters sent to non-respondents. Lori Raven will mark the vision triangles in all four quadrants with ribbon and lath.

**Decker Drive Highway Safety Improvement Project Funding Approval:** Servi gave an update that the State Municipal Agreement with the DOT has been signed. Servi indicated that the City of Rice Lake has elected not to participate in the Decker Drive project.

## Staff Reports

**A. Financial Update:** No update at this time.

### **B. Commissioners Report**

- a. Highway Facility Update:** Servi indicated that the roof over the offices is currently being worked on, concrete flooring is being poured, and joists are being set.
- b. Crew Update:** Servi indicated that Gary Trott has indicated his retirement date will be July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, and that the Highway Department could use more summer laborers. Nelson indicated that the crew is getting the hot mix plant up and running, crushing, and doing state shoulder maintenance. Bridge washing will start next week.
- c. Project Update:** Servi indicated that; CTH T bridge project: beams erected 5/3/2022, pouring next week, road open in early June, Vance Creek Bridge Project: will start in mid-July, CTH A from CTH U to CTH I: bid next Tuesday, CTH U from CTH A to the county line design continues, 1 pipe will be replaced, STP Rural Program: due June 1<sup>st</sup>, CTH D: not funded in previous cycle, will be submitted in next cycle June 1<sup>st</sup>, CTH

P: sent to Madison with a positive region review. Servi indicated that paving prices have increased and will effect projects done this summer.

**d. Sand Haul Routes**

- i. **Update on Existing Routes:** None at this time.
- ii. **Additional Routes:** Servi indicated there is a new operator Blue Diamond, will need to update agreements with Piranha and CRS/SmartSand.

**e. WCHA/NACE/NACo Update**

- i. **WCHA:** Servi indicated that summer road school will be in June. Servi indicated that for the STP local program (8 of 110 Town project applications were accepted, and of 12 City project applications 4 were funded.)
- ii. **NACO Legislative Conference:** Servi reported that he met with safety, bridge, and asphalt vendors at the conference.

**Edit List:** edit lists were available with no questions or concerns.

**Future Agenda Items:** ATV/UTV routes, Decker Drive,

**Set Future Meeting Date:** the next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.

**Motion to adjourn:** meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 10:19 a.m.

Minutes submitted by:

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