

Barron County Highway Committee Meeting

December 5, 2024 Minutes – 9:00 a.m.

**Committee Members Attended in Person:** Dennis Jenkins (arrived at 9:08 am), Bill Effertz (left at 10:08 am), Pete Olson (arrived at 9:12 am), Marv Thompson

**Committee Members Attended Virtually:** None.

**Committee Members Absent:** Roberta Mosentine

**Staff Present:** Jodi Busch (left at 10:05 am), Michael Hoefs, Nate Nelson, Lori Raven, Tony Tangwall

**Staff Present Virtually:** Jeff French (left at 10:08 am)

**Others Present:** Christ Fitzgerald (left at 10:08 am)

The Highway Committee meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. by Chair Thompson

**Approve the agenda: (Effertz/Jenkins)** to approve the agenda and move item number six to the end of the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Approve the October 3, 2024 minutes: (Jenkins/Effertz)** All in favor. Carried.

**Public Comment:** None at this time.

**Financial Update:** Busch discussed, no concerns at this time.

**Review of Denied Driveway Permit – 2061 10<sup>th</sup> Ave:** Hoefs and Raven provided information on the denied driveway permit. **Discussion.** Motion: to deny the driveway permit **(Olson/Jenkins)**. All in favor. Carried.

**Charges for Wash Bay:** Hoefs provided information on operating costs. Discussion. **Motion:** to set the price for external car wash users at \$15.00 per wash pending year end financials and waiting to set a price for internal county car wash users until year end financials are finalized **(Olson/Effertz)**. All in favor. Carried.

**Facility and Equipment Report:** Hoefs discussed work on internal county vehicles, winter readiness, and year end inventory.

**Highway Facility Update:** Hoefs indicated that there is one contractor yet to close and IT is finishing up work on the wash bay.

**Operations Manager's Report:** Nelson indicated that the crew finished shouldering projects in November, the crew is working on routine winter maintenance on the County highway system, and work is starting to come in for 2025.

**Commissioner's Report:** Hoefs indicated he has been working on RFP's, the 6-20' bridge program, and projects for 2025 and 2026.

**Work Schedule:** Discussion on winter work schedule. Consensus is to continue 10 hour days through January 6, 2025.

**Sand Haul Routes:** None at this time.

**WCHA/NACE/NACo Update:** Hoefs indicated that winter road school is January 13-15. Discussion.

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

**Future Agenda Items:** None.

**Set Future Meeting Date:** January 9, 2025 at 9:30 am.

**Motion to adjourn:** by unanimous consent at 10:29 am.

Minutes submitted by:

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