

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING

May 12, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Grant County Highway Committee was held on Thursday, May 12, 2011 at the Highway Office in Lancaster, Wisconsin. Chairman Margaret Ruf called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M..

Members present besides the Chairman were Donald Splinter, Mark Stead, Pat Schroeder, and Highway Commissioner David Lambert. Vern Lewison asked to be excused. Also present was County Board Chairman John Patcle and Bob Middendorf.

David Lambert said that notice of the meeting was sent to the media, and posted in the Administration Building and Highway Department Office.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Donald Splinter, seconded by Pat Schroeder, moved to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2011 meeting as printed. Motion carried.

Mark Stead, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to pay Vouchers #265 thru #406. Motion carried.

Under the Supervisors Reports, David gave an update on the Highway Budget and 2011 Equipment Purchases. So far in 2011 request from the equipment account:

Two Patrol trucks with equipment, Freightliner/Burke	\$310,000.00
Tractor with loader, Finney Implement	\$ 60,000.00
Major equipment repairs for 2011	\$ 50,000.00
New low boy trailer (Jeannie is researching)	\$ 80,000.00
2011 Equipment Budget	<u>\$500,000.00</u>

Plans for Paving & Seal Coat for 2011 from the Mats & Seals Account:

Paving CTH "U" & "V" from Beetown to North Andover	\$550,000.00
Paving CTH "A" from Hwy 129 to Union	\$1,150,000.00
Paving Highland "Q" from CTH "G" to Shemak Road	\$400,000.00
Seal Coat CTH "A" from Hwy 133 to Mississippi Lane	\$100,000.00
Seal Coat CTH "N" from Hwy 35 south to CTH "U"	\$160,000.00
Seal Coat CTH "D" from Hwy 151 south to CTH "H"	\$160,000.00
Seal Coat CTH "C" from Hwy 18 east to Hwy 133	\$250,000.00
	<u>\$2,770,000.00</u>

The total in paving & seal coats is \$900,000.00 over budget. The plan is to pay for this with the undesignated revenues from 2010.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to transfer the undesignated revenues from 2010 to the Mats & Seals Account for 2011. Motion carried.

For the first three months of 2011, Grant County was \$41,265.17 in the red for the maintenance work that we provided on the State Highway System. Total State requisitions for the month were \$573,748.64, including all labor, equipment, materials, and administration.

The two new employees, Jason Pickett (Operator) and Chad Kieler (Mechanic) both started work on May 2, 2011.

David reported on State & County Maintenance issues, including:
a Hwy 61 preconstruction meeting scheduled for May 26th in LaCrosse
concrete repair LFA at Tourist Information Center
seal coat LFA

coring out CTH "V", and extending concrete culverts on CTH "V"
replacing concrete structures with tubes on CTH "M", "C", & "P"
continue to work on Highland "Q"

Under Machinery & Equipment Reports, Jeannie Morgan joined the Committee. The new Freightliners have been ordered and will go to Burke Equipment in September to be set up and delivered back to Grant County by the end of October.

The new Case/IH tractor/loader has arrived.

Jeannie discussed purchasing a new low boy trailer to replace the one currently in use that was purchased back in 1988. She received two quotes with delivery time ranging from 12 to 37 weeks. A sliding axle trailer with motor is approximately \$71,000.00. Jeannie will get some more information and the Committee will have a special meeting prior to the next County Board Meeting regarding purchasing a new sliding axle low boy trailer.

The summer Wisconsin County Highway Association Conference will be held June 6, 7, & 8 at the Wisconsin Dells. It will be the 100th anniversary of the Wisconsin County Highway Association.

Don Greenwood and Fred Gruber from Jewell Associates Engineers, Inc. asked to address the Committee. They handed out a Statement of Interest & Qualifications for Professional Engineering Services for the design of bridges. It included bridges in the current federal program. They would appreciate consideration and welcome the opportunity to work with Grant County on any of the bridges in the current cycle of the Federal Bridge Replacement Program.

Mark Stead, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to adjourn at 10:23 A.M. to May 17, 2011 at 5:45 P.M.. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark A. Stead, Secretary