

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING  
September 8, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Grant County Highway Committee was held on Thursday, September 8, 2011 at the Highway Office in Lancaster, Wisconsin. Chairman Margaret Ruf called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M..

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

David Lambert reported that the meeting was properly noticed by being posted in the Administration Building, Highway Office, and sent to the media.

Mark Stead, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2011 meeting as printed. Motion carried.

Mark Stead, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to pay Vouchers #779 thru #884. Motion carried.

David discussed reclassifying three Operators (Delbert Edge, Brad Hood, Cory Burgess) up to Operator II positions. The total cost per year would be approx. \$1,600.00 assuming that they are operators half of the time now. Pat Schroeder, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to approve reclassifying three Operators up to Operator II positions and recommend to the Executive Committee for approval. Motion carried by majority vote, Donald Splinter voted no.

Donna Bohnenkamp joined the Committee for discussion on the preliminary 2012 Highway Budget. The proposed budget is \$124,286.00 over the 2011 budget, or a 3.1% increase. The increase is due to the Highway Department receiving a 9.3% decrease in State Highway Aid for 2012. Pat Schroeder, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to approve the preliminary 2012 Highway Department Budget and send to the Executive Committee for approval. Motion carried.

David reported that two checks, one for \$150.00 for the property and one for \$30.00 for recording fee, had been received from Terry Post for property on CTH "U" in the Village of Beetown.

For the first seven months of 2011, Grant County was \$134,731.18 in the red for the maintenance work that we provided on the State Highway System.

Jon gave an update on State Construction projects:  
STH 81 Ellenboro Bridge - completion will be by the middle of October.  
STH 81 at Beetown - road still closed until the end of next week.  
US 61 Dickeyville to Lancaster - the final mat will be finished by the end of Sept.  
STH 133 Burton to Potosi - was seal coated for \$315,000.00 from the Local Force Acct.

David gave an update on County Construction projects:  
CTH "A" from Hwy 129 to Union - shoulders and striping are to be done yet.  
CTH "U" & "V" from Beetown to North Andover - is ready for paving.  
CTH "A", "N", "D" - seal coats are done, roads swept, with striping to be done yet.  
Highland "Q" - reconstruction for 4.5 miles from CTH "G" toward Highland was done.

Travis Kramer joined the Committee for the Engineering Report. An update on the CTH "HHH" project was given. He is setting up a Pre-Construction meeting. He is waiting on Bonding from the Contractor.

State projects approved for 2012 include State Highway 80 from Platteville to Livingston and the Kuenster Bridge on Hwy 133, CTH "K" and the Maple Ridge Road project near Platteville.

Travis reported that for 2012 under the Local Road Improvement Program, County Discretionary funding went down but Town Discretionary funding went up. The LRIP funding is for projects of \$100,000.00 or over with a 50% Local Match.

Mark Stead, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to adjourn at 10:22 A.M. to Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 9:00 A.M.. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark A. Stead, Secretary