

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING
April 12, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the Grant County Highway Committee was held on Thursday, April 12, 2012 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, Vern Lewison, Pat Schroeder, and Highway Commissioner David Lambert. Also present was County Board Chairman John Patcle, Personnel Director Joyce Roling, Randy Miller, and Don Greenwood arrived at 9:30 A.M..

David Lambert stated that the meeting notice was sent to the radio and newspaper and the agenda posted at the Highway Office and at the Administration Building.

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 March 8, 2012 and March 20, 2012 meetings as printed. Motion carried.

Mark Stead, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to pay Vouchers #130 thru #280. Motion carried.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to enter into closed session per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85 (1)(c) to discuss performance evaluation. A roll call vote was taken with Splinter, Schroeder, Lewison, Stead, Ruf, and Patcle all voting yes. Motion carried.

Donald Splinter, seconded by Mark Stead, moved to come out of closed session and return to open session at 9:28 A.M.. Motion carried.

David discussed the health insurance premium for Anita Kelley. Donald Splinter, seconded by Pat Schroeder, moved to agree to pay the County share of Anita Kelley's health care premium for the months of May and June 2012. Motion carried.

Randy Miller from Aring Equipment in Madison presented a finance/ownership contract (lease agreement) that would be between Aring and Grant County for review. It involves the County trading in a Case 821 and Case 821C wheel loaders for new Volvo L110G wheel loaders with the County receiving a new loader under the contract every six months. The contract will be reviewed and a decision made at a future meeting.

David informed the Committee of the upcoming summer Highway Conference scheduled for June 4, 5, and 6, 2012.

David reported for informational purposes only, that he had been in contact with Bill Meis regarding the purchase of about 3.7 acres of land south of Platteville. There is access problems with the WisDOT that need to be addressed that is currently in litigation.

For the first two months of 2012, Grant County was \$74,122.08 in the red for the maintenance work that we provided on the State Highway System.

After a meeting with the County Board Chairman and Highway Personnel, the powers at Springbrook software now say that they will change their system to meet the needs of the County Highway Department. Their final payment from the County depends on it.

David reported on County Construction projects:

CTH "C" is being prepared for seal coat.

The crew will begin to core the shoulders on CTH "E" next week.

CTH "K" (Hunter Hollow Road to Green River Road) will be closed beginning April 16, 2012. H. James & Sons will reconstruct one mile of CTH "K" and Larson Construction will replace three structures. Total cost of the project: \$1,867,374. The Federal Government will pay for 80% of the project with the County paying for the remaining 20%. The project should be completed by the end of August.

David reported that crack sealing is being done on various State Highways in the County.

Travis Kramer joined the Committee for the Engineering Report. He said that work will begin soon on driveways, sidewalks, and landscaping on the CTH "HHH" project in Kieler. The final lift of pavement should be completed by the end of May.

Travis presented his recommendations for Bridge Design Engineers for the four bridge projects for 2012. They were as follows:

Airport Road - Town of Ellenboro	IIW
Badger Road - Town of North Lancaster	Jewell
River Lane Road - Town of Potosi	Westbrook
French Bridge - CTH "K"	MSA

Mark Stead, seconded by Pat Schroeder, moved to approve the Bridge Design Engineers for the four bridge projects as recommended. Motion carried.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to approve the County reverting a small piece of property back to Jim Collins on CTH "T" as previously discussed and approved by the Committee. Motion carried.

Don Greenwood from Jewell Engineering thanked the Committee for the work with the County in the past and is looking forward to working with the County on the upcoming project on Badger Road.

Jeannie Morgan joined the Committee and reported the new Caterpillar wheel roller has arrived. She also reported the need to replace 41 radios and the repeater at Boscobel at a cost of about \$26,000.00. This is to meet a compliance deadline of January 2013 to change over to narrow band.

Mark Stead, seconded by Pat Schroeder, moved to approve the purchase of the radios and repeater and to take the money out of the Equipment Budget. Motion carried.

David reported that there is an opening on the WCHA Board of Directors and if any Grant County Highway Committee Member is interested in the position to let him know.

Vern Lewison, seconded by Mark Stead, moved to adjourn at 10:34 A.M. to Thursday, May 10, 2012 at 9:00 A.M.. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark A. Stead, Secretary