

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING
October 11, 2018

The Highway Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 9:00 A.M. at the Highway Office in Lancaster, Wisconsin.

Chairman John Patcle called the meeting to order. Other members present were Lester Jantzen, Mark Stead, Dwight Nelson, Donald Splinter, and Highway Commissioner David Lambert. Also present was County Board Chairman Robert Keeney. Joining the Committee later in the meeting was Larry Kirschbaum, Travis Kramer, Leah Rhodes, Pete & Paul Langmeier, Ted Schacht, John Kohlenberg, and Nick Chiaderott.

Notice of the meeting was sent to the media and the revised agenda was posted at the Administration Building and Highway Office.

Motion by Donald Splinter, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to approve the revised agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Dwight Nelson, seconded by Mark Stead, to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2018 meeting as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Dwight Nelson, to accept the September Accounts Payable Report as reviewed by the Committee. Motion carried.

For the first eight months of 2018, Grant County is over the RMA budget by \$93,640.00 with \$1,664,335.00 being spent on State Highways in Grant County thru the end of August.

Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Donald Splinter, to assign \$50,000.00 of 2017 Undesignated Revenue to the Equipment Account and the balance of 2017 Undesignated Revenue in the amount of \$145,770.91 assign to the Building Account. Motion carried.

Motion by Donald Splinter, seconded by Dwight Nelson, to purchase a new 2018 Ford Fusion SE from Pioneer Ford for \$18,587.00 plus registration to be used as a Highway Commissioner Vehicle. Motion carried.

State crews have been busy working on flood damage.

County crews will be finishing paving on CTH "A" today. A few driveways need to be completed and the paving will be done for the season.

David discussed the current Boat Landing/River Access Administration. The Highway Commissioner and County Clerk work well together managing the daily operation of the two man crew. The Clerk handles invoices, payroll, writing the annual grant, and submits the documentation for payment from the Wisconsin DNR. The Highway Department takes care of the larger projects at the landings and provides storage for the truck, tractor, and mower.

Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to leave the Administration of the Boat Landings/River Access in Grant County in its present form. Motion carried.

Under employment update, David told the Committee that the Shop Foreman's attitude has changed and improved and gotten better and that the mechanics worked on Fridays in September to get caught up with maintenance work.

Leah J. Rhodes from MSA Engineering addressed the Committee regarding her firm having six engineers doing bridges in Wisconsin. MSA would also be interested in doing business with the County moving forward.

At 10:00 A.M., Travis opened the bids for the Salt/Sand Storage Shed to be built at the Lancaster Maintenance Facility.

Midwest Builders, Inc., Fennimore	\$374,634.00
Wolf Construction, LLC, Lancaster	\$205,140.00
Jim's Building Center, Inc., Fennimore	\$228,400.00
Top Notch Construction & Design, Prairie du Chien	\$218,000.00
Steiner Construction LLC, Prairie du Chien	\$204,950.00

Motion by Donald Splinter, seconded by Lester Jantzen, that after review of the bids, if all is in order, to accept the low bid of \$204,950.00 from Steiner Construction for building of the new Salt/Sand Storage Shed. Motion carried.

At 10:13 A.M., the Committee took a recess to travel to the Administration Building to conduct interviews for the Section Patrol/Operator/Winter Dispatch Position.

At 10:32 A.M., Chairman Patcle reconvened the meeting.

Motion by Lester Jantzen, seconded by Dwight Nelson, to enter into closed session per Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1)(c) regarding Employment Interviews. A roll call vote was taken with Splinter, Jantzen, Nelson, Patcle, and Stead all voting yes. Motion carried.

At 11:58 A.M., Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Dwight Nelson, to come out of closed session and return to open session. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to offer the Patrol/Operator/Winter Dispatch Position to Candidate Choice one and that if they refuse the position that it be offered to Candidate Choice two, pending reference checks on both Candidates. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Dwight Nelson, to adjourn at 11:59 A.M. to Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark A. Stead, Secretary