

# HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING

January 19, 2023

The Highway Committee met on Thursday January 19, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Highway Department in Lancaster, the meeting was also available via Zoom.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Donald Splinter. Roll call was taken. Members present: Roger Guthrie, Diane Nelson, Gary Northouse, Pat Schroeder, and Donald Splinter. Others present were Bob Keeney, Jon Knautz, Dan McLimans, Steve Morgan, Travis Kramer, Donna Bohnenkamp, Mike Bartels. Via Zoom were Tonya White, Joyce Roling, Amanda Degenhardt, and Shane Drinkwater.

Notice of the meeting was sent to the Herald Independent, Administration Building, posted at the Highway Department and on the Grant County web site.

Gary Northouse, seconded by Pat Schroder, made a motion to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Roger Guthrie, seconded by Diane Nelson, made a motion to approve the December 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 Highway meeting minutes. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Roger Guthrie, seconded by Gary Northouse moved to approve the Accounts Payable report as reviewed. Motion carried without a negative vote.

The November Requisition was sent to the State for \$164,488.77; \$100,680.52 over our estimated monthly state budgeted amount.

Donna gave an update on the RT Vision training.

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County crews have spent many hours plowing snow the past few weeks and over the Holidays. They are hauling sealcoat chips in preparation for the summer sealcoating season.

The shop has been very busy with keeping the mainline trucks on the road during the storms. The D4 Dozer is back to Fabick to mount the blade, and we are looking into purchasing an excavator.

Gary Northouse, seconded by Diane Nelson made a motion to accept the SMA for the CTH "HH" and the CTH "A" projects. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Roger Guthrie, seconded by Pat Schroeder, made a motion to start the Highway Department ten hour days one month earlier, the first week of April, and review them again in the fall.

Gary Northouse, seconded by Roger Guthrie, made a motion to allow Highway employees to bank up to 60 hours of comp time and use up to 80 hours of comp time per year. Any comp time used in excess of 80 hours per year would need to be approved by employee's supervisor.

Donnie Splinter, seconded by Roger Guthrie moved to pay the Highway Office Manager overtime until March 1<sup>st</sup>, for the RT Vision project with the Commissioner's approval.

Diane Nelson, seconded by Gary Northouse, made a motion to adjourn to February 16, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. at the Highway Department in Lancaster. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Diane Nelson  
Secretary

Donna Bohnenkamp  
Recording Secretary