

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING

February 16, 2023

The Highway Committee met on Thursday February 16, 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, Gary Northouse, Pat Schroeder, and Donald Splinter. Diane Nelson was on Zoom. Others present were Bob Keeney, Jon Knautz, Dan McLimans, Steve Morgan, Travis Kramer, Donna Bohnenkamp, Mike Bartels, Shane Drinkwater, Kendall Kolb and Tom Roepke. Via Zoom were Tonya White, and Amanda Degenhardt.

Notice of the Highway 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 Gary Northouse, made a motion to approve the January 19th 2023 Highway meeting minutes. Motion carried without a negative vote.

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

Kendall Kolb and Tom Roepke with Kraus-Anderson, presented how their company could help with a master plan for a new Highway Department.

An ongoing parking issue in Beetown was brought up. Sharon Bontreger, Bart Breuer and Jim Reynolds were present seeking options.

The December Requisition was sent to the State for \$394,406.66; \$291,236.61 over our estimated yearly state budgeted amount.

Donna gave an update on the RT Vision training.

State crews have spent many hours plowing snow the past few weeks and hauling salt. They are fixing guardrail from accidents, and busy moving materials out of the old sign shop.

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

The shop has been very busy keeping the mainline trucks and spares on the road during the storms. Mike is going to send out specs on a new Excavator with attachments.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Roger Guthrie made a motion to sign the design contract with Jewell Associates for the CTH "HH" project. Motion carried without a negative vote.

The retention of the 2022 Federal Aid Secondary \$302,651 budgeted amount was tabled and will be brought back to the Committee at the May meeting.

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

Diane Nelson
Secretary

Donna Bohnenkamp