

# HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING

December 19, 2024

The Highway Committee met on Thursday December 19 2024 at 9:00 am, at the County Highway Department in Lancaster, the meeting was also available via Zoom.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Gary Northouse. Other members present were, Lester Jantzen, Diane Nelson and Roger Guthrie. Pat Schroeder attended by Zoom. Others present were Bob Keeney, Jon Knautz, Nate Dreckman, Steve Morgan, Donna Bohnenkamp, Trenton Wood, and Jason Kieler. Tonya White joined by zoom.

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

Diane Nelson, seconded by Lester Jantzen, moved to approve the December agenda. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Roger Guthrie, seconded by Lester Jantzen, moved to approve the November 12th and 21<sup>st</sup> Highway meeting minutes. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Roger Guthrie moved to approve the Accounts Payables and YTD Budget Report. Motion carried without a negative vote.

The October Requisition has been sent to the State DOT for \$201,783.40. As of the end of October, we are over our yearly estimated budgeted amount by \$60,013.30.

The County Accounts were reviewed as of the end of November.

The Office Manager and Highway Committee would like to thank Jimmy Bogardus for his help with the Insurance Open Enrollment for the Highway employees, along with helping the employees with the new computers. It was much appreciated.

State crews have been doing winter maintenance activities; they are also repairing guardrail from accidents and cutting brush.

The County crews have brush cutting and repairing guardrails. They have also been hauling salt and chips to the outlying shops. They have also been doing winter maintenance activities.

The Shop Lead Worker, Supervisors and the Commissioner have been reviewing quotes for a new quad axle. The shop continues to work on the EMS rescue squad to get it ready for shop use. The shop has taken the old quad axle to a local welding shop for quotes.

Travis has been busy entering the 6'-20' culverts into the State Program. The County culverts are entered; he is now entering the town culverts.

Jon informed the committee the grain bins have been removed at the Patch Grove Shop, and payment has been received for the bins.

Jon has received a number of documents from other Counties pertaining to bidding out design work for the new Highway Shop. Nate and Jon will finalize the best location for the building.

Jon stated there are there are three employees that will be off for several weeks for surgery's. All sections are covered.

Roger Guthrie, seconded by Lester Jantzen, moved to adjourn to Thursday January 16, 2025, at 9:00 am. Motion Carried without a negative vote.

Diane Nelson  
Secretary

Donna Bohnenkamp  
Recorder