

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING

March 20, 2025

The Highway Committee met on Thursday March 20, 2025 at 9:00 am, at the County Highway Department in Lancaster, the meeting was also available via Zoom.

Members present were, Gary Northouse, Patrick Schroeder, Lester Jantzen, Diane Nelson, and Roger Guthrie. Others present were Nate Dreckman, Bob Keeney, Jon Knautz, Steve Morgan, Donna Bohnenkamp, Trenton Wood, Jason Kieler, Travis Kramer, Jake Mawe (Flint Hills), Jeff Hagge (Metal Culverts), and Ron Raisbeck. Attending by zoom were Tonya White, Jim Raisbeck, and Dan Raisbeck.

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 called the March 20th Highway Committee meeting to order.

Lester Jantzen seconded by Roger Guthrie, moved to approve the March agenda. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Diane Nelson made the motion to move up the Bagley Shop item and the material bid opening item to the top of the agenda. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Diane Nelson moved to approve the minutes from the February 20th Highway Committee Meeting. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Roger Guthrie, seconded by Lester Jantzen, moved to approve the February Bills as printed. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Roger Guthrie, seconded by Lester Jantzen, moved to survey the land the Bagley shop/salt shed sits on, pay \$300.00 in back taxes, and quick claim that portion of land to the Highway Department. Motion carried without a negative vote.

A pulverizing bid received from WK Construction was opened and read. The pulverization for CTH "D" North came in at \$31,269.00; the pulverization of CTH "N" came in at \$40,650. Pat Schroeder seconded by Diane Nelson, moved to accept the bid from WK Construction. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Culvert bids were open and read. Western Culvert bid-\$246,032.25; Metal Culvert-\$206,359.65; Conect-\$199,417.95. Lester Jantzen, seconded by Pat Schroeder moved to go with Conect at \$199,417.95. Motion carried without a negative vote.

The hot mix bid was open. Mathy Construction HMA hot mix \$63.80/ton for CTH D-\$567,820.00; HMA hot mix \$63.80 for CTH N-\$432,245.00. Roger Guthrie, seconded by Diane Nelson moved to accept the Mathy Construction bid. Motion carried without negative vote.

Seal coat oil and application bids were opened. Flint Hills costs for-HFRS-2 oil \$2.12 gal, with Fahrner's application \$.43/a gallon for a total of \$2.55 gal; Meigs' costs for HFRS-2 oil \$2.54 gal, with application \$.35 gallon for a total of \$2.89gal. Pat Schroeder, seconded by Lester Jantzen made a motion to accept the Flint Hills/Fahrner bid for the 2025 season.

The January Requisition has been sent to the State DOT for \$421,078.89. As of the end of January we are over our estimated yearly budgeted amount by \$35,557.64. Included in this requisition are the annual reimbursements for salt storage, insurance, radio, winter availability, etc.

The County Accounts were not available through Munis.

The State crews have been dealing with the recent snow and ice events. They have also been repairing guardrail from accidents. Steve is planning for his summer road projects.

The County crews have been busy with the winter maintenance, and they have also been cutting brush. The County employees have also been hauling chips for the summer seal coats.

The shop is busy keeping the equipment moving through the recent winter storms. The new Quad Axle is being used with good reviews from the crew. They are prepping the summer equipment for use.

Travis gave an update on the County Q bridge deck replacement.

No Parking signs were requested on CTH "D", the situation will be looked into and brought back. Rumble strips were requested on CTH "B" and Hwy 61, no action will be taken until the State investigates the situation.

Diane Nelson, seconded by Lester Jantzen, moved to adjourn to Thursday April 17, 2025, at 9:00 am. Motion Carried without a negative vote.

Diane Nelson
Secretary

Donna Bohnenkamp
Recorder