HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING October 8, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Grant County Highway Committee was held on Thursday, October 8, 2009 at the Highway Office in Lancaster, Wisconsin. Chairman Donald Splinter called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M..

Members present besides the Chairman were Mark Stead, Vern Lewison, Pat Schroeder, and Highway Commissioner David Lambert. Eugene Bartels asked to be excused. Also present was County Board Chairman John Patcle.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved that the meeting is in compliance with the open meeting law. Motion carried.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2009 and September 22, 2009 meetings as printed. Motion carried.

Mark Stead, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to pay Vouchers #927 thru #1074. Motion carried.

Under the Supervisors Reports, David told the Committee he had received a check from Bruce Ommen of Ayres Associates, to cover their 50% portion (\$32,454.00) of the total cost required in relocating Janet Tysver.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to approve sending the Highway Committee to the Southwest Region Fall Maintenance Conference on October 30, 2009. The Conference will be held in Barre Mills, Wisconsin and cost \$20.00/person. Motion carried.

David discussed information he had received from the new WCA President regarding the County Ambassador Program.

There will be no change in the existing Winter Call-Out Policy.

WisDOT has informed us what the WisDOT will pay to the County for maintenance of the State Highways for 2010 (RMA). The SW Region takes the largest percentage cut of any of the five regions in the State. Grant County takes the 6th largest cut of all 72 Counties in the entire State (13.65%), with Dane & Crawford at #1 & #2. At the end of the first eight months of 2009 we were \$42,606.09 in the black for the maintenance work that Grant County provides on the State Highway System.

David reported under the Machinery & Equipment Reports, two patrol trucks were ordered from Peterbilt and snow equipment from Burke. An additional \$1,950.00 per truck was spent to purchase boxes made of stainless steel. Total cost per truck will be about \$142,000.00.

Jesse Storck, from Fabco, briefly greeted the Committee.

Travis Kramer joined the Committee and gave the Engineering Report. CTH "O" Bridge Project - The piles are driven on the east side, forming is being done and preparations are being made to remove the existing structure and drive piles on the west side. Completion is expected in late November.

Porter's Bridge - is on schedule with completion slated for the end of October.

CTH "C" Bridge - There are deep piles associated with this project, some are over 70 feet deep. Currently the east abutment is being formed with two piers and the west abutment already complete. The deck is scheduled to be poured on 10/21/09 with completion set for the middle to end of November.

State Highway 133 - The road is graveled from end to end and final prep work is being completed prior to paving. Paving has started on the Cassville end of the road, laying a three-lift six inch asphalt mat. The project should be completed by the end of November.

David wanted to inform the Committee of a parking space marking dispute in the Village of Mount Hope. He had received a letter from H. Brian Muller, attorney with Kinney, Urban, & Kussmaul, who represents David & Cindra Riemenapp property owners involved. The Village of Mount Hope! has the authority over parking issues within the Village.

Vern Lewison, seconded by Mark Stead, moved to adjourn at 10:17 A.M.. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Mark A. Stead, Secretary