

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING
May 13, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Grant County Highway Committee was held on Thursday, May 13, 2010 at the Highway Office in Lancaster, Wisconsin. Chairman Margaret Ruf called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M..

Members present besides the Chairman were Donald Splinter, Mark Stead, Vern Lewison, Pat Schroeder, and Highway Commissioner David Lambert. Also present was Grant County Board Chairman John Patcle, Jon Knautz, Randy Franks, and Travis Kramer.

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

Vern Lewison, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to approve the amended agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2010 meeting as printed. Motion carried.

Vern Lewison, seconded by Pat Schroeder, moved to pay Vouchers #255 thru #373. Motion carried.

David began the Supervisors Reports by discussing the upcoming summer Highway Conference that will be held June 7, 8, & 9, 2010.

Dick Lambert joined the meeting at this time.

Travis informed the Committee on the County bridges that are eligible for funding in 2012 under the Bridge Program. Bridges eligible are the McCartney Bridge on CTH "N", French Bridge on CTH "K", Kirschbaum Bridge on CTH "A", & Homer Bridge on CTH "Q". His recommendation was to submit the French Bridge into the program for approval at this time. There are also three Town Bridges that are eligible that include one on Airport Road in Ellenboro Township, Badger Road in North Lancaster Township, and one on River Lane Road in Potosi Township.

John Patcle spoke briefly on who will be involved in working on the Fleet Safety review.

Commissioner Lambert and Dick Lambert from Home-A-Gins in Mt. Hope, discussed a lingering parking situation in the Village of Mt. Hope. The temporary driveway in question is to be removed by August 20, 2010.

Total State requisitions for the first quarter of 2010 totaled \$650,647.71. This included all labor, equipment, materials, and administration. For the first four months of 2010 Grant County was \$6,162.90 in the red for the maintenance work we provide on the State Highway System.

Randy gave an update on County Construction projects on CTH "C", CTH "F", CTH "Q", and CTH "A".

Jon updated the Committee on projects on the State Highway System. He also handed out pictures and information regarding the accident recently on Hwy 151 involving County Equipment and Personnel and a semi-tanker.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to approve and sign the Discretionary Traffic Maintenance Agreement with the State. It includes \$17,500.00 in County labor, equipment, and materials, and \$800.00 in administrative support. Motion carried.

Jeannie Morgan joined the meeting for the Machinery & Equipment Reports. She discussed the damage done to the Peterbilt Patrol truck involved in the recent accident on Hwy 151. It was purchased new in September 2009 and had only 16,033 miles on it. Damage estimates given were Burke Equipment \$13,827.00, Peterbilt \$43,154.00, and Guy's Truck & Tractor \$62,599.00. The estimates were also all open ended.

Mark Stead, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to pay the difference (approximately \$15,000.00) and purchase a new patrol truck to replace the one damaged in the recent accident with the Insurance Company paying the balance. Motion carried.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to appoint Donald Splinter as the Grant County member to the DMATS Committee. Motion carried.

Under the Engineering Report, Travis gave an update on the Chestnut Street/ CTH "D" Bridge & Road project. Integrity is the General Contractor on the project.

David said he was impressed with the firm Mead & Hunt on work they are doing on a bridge on Maple Ridge Road that involves a realignment of the current road.

Terry Stampfl and Don Shoemaker of Peterbilt Madison, came before the Committee and discussed the new EPA urea systems required on all new large trucks manufactured after January 1, 2010.

Jeff Smith and Jay Jones from Burke Equipment, came before the Committee and discussed the equipment on the patrol truck damaged in the recent accident.

Ron Loken from Mead & Hunt, came before the Committee and asked for consideration for his firm for future work in the County.

Mark Stead, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to adjourn at 11:15 A.M.. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark A. Stead, Secretary