

Public Works Committee Minutes
Thursday, September 8, 2011 – 8:30 a.m.
Department of Public Works Committee Room
3715 Newville Road - Janesville, WI

Call to Order. Chair Yankee called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 8:30 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Arnold, Bussie, Diestler, Fox and Yankee

Committee Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Ben Coopman, Public Works Director
Deb Lawton, Secretary

Others Present: None

Approval of Agenda. Supervisors Bussie and Arnold moved today's agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes of July 14, 2011. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. Supervisor Fox reminded everyone of AIRFEST coming up this weekend.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Consider Bridge Aid Petitions for Laird Road (Town of Plymouth and Town of Newark). Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved the petitions for bridge aid on Laird Road for \$9,600 split 50% County funds and 50% town funds (each of the two towns paying 25%). MOTION CARRIED.

Consider Bridge Petition for Leedle Mill Road (Town of Union). Supervisors Bussie and Arnold moved the petition for \$98,000 for Leedle Mill Road bridge. MOTION CARRIED.

Approve Resolution, Authorizing Purchase of Motor Pool Vehicles for the Rock County Department of Public Works. Supervisors Bussie and Fox moved the resolution. Discussion on the motor pool took place. MOTION CARRIED.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Discuss Process for Hiring Consulting Engineers for Design of CTH G and CTH F Projects. After lengthy discussion, it was decided the Committee and Director of Public Works would interview and rate the top three consulting engineering firms from the statement of qualifications phase. The meeting dates will be Wednesday, September 21 at 8:30 a.m. and Thursday, September 29 at 1:00 p.m. Both meetings will take place in the DPW Committee Room.

Review Highlights of Proposed Changes to 2012 Annual Road Maintenance Agreements with Towns. Ben discussed proposed changes with the Committee. These proposals are to the County Administrator and will be considered by him as he assembles his draft budget for adoption by the County Board later this year.

Review Status of Various Design and Construction Projects by the Department. Ben discussed the two projects on CTH M with the Committee. He stated one project probably would not begin until next year. Right-of-way acquisition is the main cause of the delay.

Ben reported work on the CTH J bridge will begin shortly.

Next Meeting Date. The next highway meeting will be Thursday, October 13.

Cancel 2011 Vouchers #808 - #950 & Bills, Encumbrances, Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments and Transfers (Motor Pool Encumbrance and Transfer Request-Roof Damage Claim). Supervisors Bussie and Fox moved the vouchers, bill, encumbrances, pre-approved encumbrance amendments and transfers, including \$91,042 Motor Pool encumbrance and Transfer Request for roof damage claim for \$2,099.83. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment. Supervisors Arnold and Fox moved to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Lawton
Secretary II