

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MINUTES
June 8, 2009

The regular meeting of the Highway Committee was called to order by Chair, Orrin Helmer at 9:00 AM on Monday, June 8, 2009 at Highway Shop I, Green Lake County, Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the Open Meeting Law were certified as being met.

Present: Orrin Helmer
 Alma Hedberg
 Eugene Henke
 Bob Krause

Absent:

Others Present: Robert Podgorski, Highway Commissioner
 Becky Pence, Administrative Assistant
 John Selsing, Corporation Counsel
 Dan Priske, Alternate
 Jason Kauffeld, UWEX Resource Coordinator
 Dean Slark, UWEX 4H Youth Dev. Educator

Agenda

Motion/second (Krause/Henke) to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

Motion/second (Henke/Hedberg) to approve the meeting Minutes of May 11, 2009. Motion Carried.

Parks Business:

Correspondence

A letter from Derek Kavanaugh, Green Lake County Land Conservation Department explaining the informational sign on invasive species that will be posted at Twin Lakes County Park.

Public Comment None

Appearances

Jason Kauffeld, UW Extension Resource Coordinator inquired about the intent of the black ash on the 2nd mile at Mascoutin Recreational Trail. Specific wording should be in the 5 Year Plan.

Monthly Vouchers

Vouchers were presented in the amount of \$5,351.18.

Motion/second (Krause/Hedberg) to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$5,351.18. Motion carried.

Dodge Park

Robert Podgorski informed the committee that Phil Mirr will run the concession stand.

Motion/second (Hedberg/Henke) to approve Phil Mirr running the concession stand with the requirements of a \$300.00 refundable security deposit, \$100.00 monthly payment in advance, and proof of liability insurance filed in the County Clerks Office. Motion Carried.

Lake Maria Park None

Spring Lake-Kingston

Discussion was held on possibly relocating the launch on the east end. Robert Podgorski will contact the DNR, and see if something can be worked out for scheduling in the fall.

Spring Valley None

Sunset Park Grant

A Resolution has been drawn up for submitting an application to the Wisconsin Waterways Commission for financial assistance. Jason Kauffeld, UW Extension Resource Coordinator said the grant total is \$40,600.00. *Motion/second (Krause/Hedberg)* to approve and sign the Wisconsin Waterways Commission Grant Resolution, and to forward on to the County Board for approval. Motion Carried.

Twin Lakes None

Zobel Park None

Boat Launch Fees

Boat Launch fees collected in May amounted in \$283.02. The year to date amount total \$347.02.

A meeting with three Townships will be held on June 3, 2009 to discuss enforcing mandatory boat launch user fees.

Mascoutin Recreational Trail

Discussion was held regarding the 2nd mile (Willard Road east to the County Line). It was noted that awhile back that this portion of the trail was to be left in the more natural state. Jason Kauffeld indicated this should be specifically mentioned in the 5 Year Plan, and inquired if Badger Mining contributes money for the screenings, if the County would haul it.

Robert Krause commented that the way the trail is right now, it is not biker friendly. A bicyclist indicated the stone was too big and hard for biking. Krause would like to see the whole 2nd mile brought up to being bicycler friendly, and suggested some minor maintenance be done to get it back to that state.

Robert Podgorski will contact Badger Mining of possibly donating money towards the screenings.

Motion/second (Hedberg/Henke) to approve gravel screenings of the 2nd mile from Willard Road east to the County Line when feasible for scheduling, and to add verbage in the 5 Year Plan. Motion Carried.

Parks and Recreational Plan Review/Revision None

Committee Discussion None

Highway Business:

Correspondence

CTH BB Bridge Advertisement for Bids, and an outline of County Work Priorities explaining what the State is cutting back on.

Public Comments None

Appearances

Dean Slark, Green Lake County 4-H Development Educator explained the dog agility project leaders would prefer a permanent fence instead of a temporary fence previously approved.

Joanne Klatt, dog agility project leader explained their reasoning was for liability purposes. A mapping of what they had in mind was handed out to the Committee Members.

Discussion was held. Orrin Helmer does not agree with putting a permanent fence at the back of the Highway building as this would take away from the green space. Eugene Henke feels we should try and find some place for the course, as the 4-H program is excellent for the youth. Robert Podgorski and Dean Slark will check other feasible areas for the permanent structure.

Vouchers

Vouchers were presented for \$136,860.39.

Motion/second (Henke/Krause) to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$136,860.39. Motion Carried.

Commissioner's Report

Robert Podgorski reported the crews worked on STH 44 by the Dalton bridge (the ditching, patching, paving is paid for by the State). Crews also opened the wayside, mowed, and are steadily working on CTH H Reconstruction.

DOT Request for Services None

Equipment Analysis

The Committee reviewed the Equipment Analysis Report.

Expenditure / Revenue Summary Report

The Committee reviewed the Expenditure & Revenue Summary Report.

Green Lake Bank Parking Final Approval

A letter was received from Louis Bock, Club Director of Green Lake Bank acknowledging parking in an unsecured area. A Certificate of Insurance still needs to be filed in the County Clerk's Office.

Motion/second (Hedberg/Henke) to approve Green Lake Bank parking in an unsecured area upon filing of Certificate of Insurance. Motion Carried.

Review Budget Adjustments

Motion/second (Henke/Krause) to approve Budget Adjustments as presented and to recommend to Finance for approval. Motion Carried.

Review Position Descriptions

Motion/second (Hedberg/Krause) to approve Position Descriptions as presented and to forward to Personnel Committee for approval. Motion Carried.

Railroad Consortium

Alma Hedberg reported the July 15th meeting will be held in Green Lake County.

Summer Work Schedule

A letter for the summer work schedule has been written and will be forward to the Personnel Committee.

Part-Time Account Clerk II Vacancy

Letter from Hannah Lueneburg regarding restructuring Register of Deeds into a full time position with the Treasurer's Office was reviewed which leaves the Part-Time Account Clerk II position vacant at the Highway Department. A brief discussion was held, and the vacancy will be brought back to the Committee Members next month.

Closed Session None

Crash Data and Locations None

Field Road Review None

Committee Discussion

Robert Podgorski would like to mark some spots on CTH A North for some patching on August 10th after Committee Meeting..

Future agenda items for action:

2010 Budget Review

Regular meeting date: July 13, 2009 at 9:00 AM

Adjournment

Motion/second (Krause/Hedberg) to adjourn at 11:00 AM. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Becky Pence
Administrative Assistant