

# **AGENDA**

## **Eau Claire County Highway Committee**

Thursday, March 16th, 2017 / 6:15 am
Eau Claire County Highway Department - Room 101
2000 Spooner Avenue, Altoona, WI 54720

- 1. Call the meeting to order.
- 2. Confirmation of meeting notice Review
- 3. Past committee meeting minutes (3/2) Review/Action
- 4. Public comment
- 5. Update on inquiry with DOT and planning on state property Discussion/Action
- 6. Staff and committee reports Discussion/Action
- 7. Payment vouchers (3/3 &3/10) Review
- 8. Future meeting dates, times, and agenda items Discussion/Action
- 9. Adjourn.
- \* the Committee may hear comments from the public for up to 30 minutes; not more than 5 minutes/person is allowed; this period is not considered a public hearing.

cc: Members, Media, Kathryn Schauf, Keith Zehms, Jon Johnson, Rod Thorson

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#### **MINUTES**

# Eau Claire County • Committee on Highway Thursday, March 2nd, 2017 / 6:15 am Highway Department Meeting Room 101 • 2000 Spooner Avenue, Altoona, WI 54720

Members Present: Chairman Ray Henning, Vice Chairman Steve Chilson, Supervisor Kathy Clark,

Supervisor Carl Anton, Supervisor Katy Forsythe

Staff Present: Jon Johnson, Highway Commissioner; Michael Donaldson, Accountant

#### 1. Call meeting to order

Chairman Henning called the meeting to order at 6:17 a.m.

#### 2. Confirmation of meeting notice - Review

Meeting notice confirmed.

#### 3. Past committee meeting minutes (2/16/17) - Review/Action

Motion: Supervisor Clark moved for approval. Motion Approved 5-0

#### 4. Public comment -

No public comment

#### 5. CTH D speed limit change from USH 53 west to Mueller Rd – Discussion/Action

Commission Johnson handed out mapping of the request from current resident to change speed limit of the above section from 55 mph to 45 mph. Speed study and traffic counts were performed in the past with average speed of traffic under 50 mph and a mean average of 42 mph.

Motion: Supervisor Clark to accept speed limit change to 45 mph. Motion carried 5-0

Follow up: Highway department to send out letters to residents of the affected area

#### 6. Discussions on state land near State Patrol - Update

At recent commissioner meeting at the Airport, Commissioner Johnson spoke with DOT representative on the status and was informed that the property is under land management and it will be valued. After valuation, it will be determined if the Highway department is still interested. Next steps would be reaching out to the Director of the DOT. The highway committee agrees recommends Commissioner Johnson taking this step.

#### 7. Staff and committee reports – Discussion/Action

Commissioner Jon Johnson spoke on the following:

- Discussed the legislative Audit Bureau audit recently conducted on the DOT highway program and handed out findings and common questions summary sheet.
- Spoke at the township meeting in which ideas were shared on efficiencies and how the Highway department and townships can help each other. Vice Chairman Chilson commented on hearing positive review and direction the county highway department is trending to.
- Wall street Journal article handed out on "States push to raid Gasoline tax".
- New lead positions have been approved by county board.
- Operations Manager and Shop Supervisor positions are currently posted

- Working with purchasing department on bridge project bids
- Expenditure report for 2016
- Small Vehicle fleet ordered with the earliest arrival being in May.

# 8. Payment of Vouchers (2/17 & 2/24) - Review

The vouchers were reviewed

### 9. Future meeting dates, times, and agenda items – Discussion/Action

Future dates:

- Thursday, March 16th, 2017
- Thursday, April 6th, 2017

Future Items:

Commissioner Johnson to go over bid process for CTH K

## 10. Adjourn

Chairman Henning declared meeting adjourned at 7:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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