



## MINUTES

### Eau Claire County • Highway Building Committee Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – 2:00 p.m. Virtual Online Meeting

Highway Members Present: Chair Jim Dunning, Supervisor Colleen Bates, Supervisor Smiar

Staff/Other Present: Commissioner Jon Johnson, Facilities Director Matt Theisen, Administrator Kathryn Schauf, Norb Kirk, Kevin Dallas, Bob Sworski, Sonja Leenhouts, Betsy Henck, Brian Girgen, Kim Grabinski, Linda Struck, Brian Spilde, Greg Bowe and Tyler Hastings

1. **Meeting called to order by Chair Dunning at 2:06 p.m.** Meeting confirmed.
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Review/Approval of Past Minutes (09/17/2021)** Minutes of the October 6, 2021, meeting reviewed and approved. Motion to accept minutes Supervisor Bates, Supervisor Leary 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried 3-0
4. **Public Comment – No Comment**
5. **Design Update- Discussion –**Bob Sworski spoke- Review meeting took place last week and finalizing the design now. Completing permitting, access, utility coordination. Monument sign discussion will be a future topic of design. Matt Theisen clarified that the City of Eau Claire Plan Commission has approved the county application for zoning and site layout. The City of Eau Claire Council meeting will be meeting on 11/9 for final approval.
6. **Bid Package 3 –** Kevin Dallas stated that final design deadline is 11/9 from CBS2 and the schedule is to have Bid Package 3 due on 12.15.
7. **Schedule Update –** Kevin Dallas - Planning to start dirt work this week and see how the weather holds. Continue to work until it becomes cost prohibitive.
8. **Project Cost Update –** Kevin Dallas - No change in cost since previous report.
9. **Appraisal for property along USH 53 Discussion –** Matt Theisen reviewed the appraisal from JC Norby & Associates. The appraisal value was determined to be \$300,000.00. Discussion on value of land and survey of property lines around the property. Jon Johnson informed the committee that the property owner was also obtaining a appraisal and will share that with the committee. The committee will look at both appraisals at a future meeting.
10. **Ground Breaking Ceremony –** Matt Theisen stated that we hope to have City Council approval on 11/9 and we should plan a ground breaking ceremony for the following

week. The committee requested a doodle poll be sent out in order to select the day and time.

**11. Future Meeting dates, times, and agenda items:** 12/1, 12/20 – Jim Dunning asked Chair Smiar when new committee members would be appointed. Request to have dedication to the late Ray Henning on our next agenda.

**12. Adjourn:** 2:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Jon Johnson**

Eau Claire County Highway Department