

The Crawford County Highway Committee held their regular meeting on August 20, 2015 at the Crawford County Highway Department in Seneca, WI.

The meeting was called to order by Tom Cornford at 9:00 a.m. Proof of Publication was verified by Tom Cornford. Members present were: Tom Cornford, Wade Dull, Henry Esser, Gerry Krachey and David Olson. Also present was Commissioner Dennis Pelock and Superintendent Todd Myers. Julie Check was present to take minutes.

The agenda was approved with a motion made by Wade Dull and seconded by David Olson. Motion was carried by a voice vote.

A motion to approve the meeting minutes from Thursday, July 16, Special Meeting Tuesday, July 28, Special Meeting Wednesday, July 29 and PIM Meeting Tuesday, August 11, 2015 was made by Henry Esser, seconded by David Olson. Motion was carried by a voice vote.

Invoice voucher numbers: 560-576, 579-601 & 604-665 and payroll voucher numbers 577&578 & 602&603 were authorized for payment with a motion made by David Olson, seconded by Henry Esser. Motion was carried by a roll call vote.

Recognition of Guests: Pete Strachan, WisDOT and Glen Spike.

Citizen Concerns: The committee discussed how far back the county mows along the highway. It is 15 ft. back for the state and one time per year. Discussion on the City of Prairie du Chien stop lights at Marquette Rd. and Webster St. The east/west lights are turning to red too quickly. Stop lights east/west from Huckleberry's across to LaPointe St. are turning to red too quick also. Timing, on both sets of lights, needs to get extended.

Fund Balances through 8/1/15 were reviewed.

State Trunk Highways:

- WisDOT/Prairie du Chien Salt building - The committee discussed the possible removal of the railroad track going through the county's property, and discussed the options if it is removed. The City of Prairie du Chien is extending the storm sewer system to Washington St. and Ohio St. intersection. This will be the time to get the storm sewer to county property for the salt shed. Dennis Pelock and Todd Myers previously discussed possibilities of this with Terry Meyers from City of Prairie du Chien. Gerry Krachey made a motion to get the storm sewer to the county property for the salt shed, seconded by Wade Dull. Motion carried by a roll call vote.
- Discussion on 2016 RMA. Crawford County was reduced by 2.57%. Most counties with interstates with high volume roads received an increase per Pete Strachan, WisDOT. Statewide, including all counties, there was an increase of 1.77%.

County Trunk Highways:

- ATV-UTV Routes – The committee reviewed and approved the amended ATV/UTV Ordinance with the changes made by County Board. Wade Dull made a motion to approve the final ATV/UTV ordinance with the changes made by County Board, seconded by Henry Esser. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Town/Villages/City Projects & Issues:

- Sugar Creek Bridge and Approaches, Project ID: 5327-00-02/72 – Aesthetics and bridge width have been approved as part of the project. The agreements were previously in place before the state budget was approved. Hoping for a fall or early spring letting.

Local Projects & Bridges:

- CTH D, Project ID: 12510 CHIP – County forces are going to widen box culvert and extend it, realign roadway and purchase a small .51 acre parcel of land from Dale Sprosty, and a small .30 acre parcel from Gary and Judy Becwar, Sr. Henry Esser made a motion to approve relocation order and right of way purchase of land from Dale Sprosty, and from Gary and Judy Becwar, Sr. on CTH D, Project ID: 12510 CHIP, seconded by Gerry Krachey. Motion was carried by a roll call vote.
- CTH C, Bridge B-12-0002 – Steve Steiner Construction has started working on this project.
- CTH N, Project ID: 5496-00-04, Famechon Hill – The county will be adding a structure at the STH 35 and CTH N intersection that will replace the existing structure. The WisDOT will allow this to be funded as part of the project. This would increase the project estimate from 2.79 million to 2.99 million for construction. Wade Dull made a motion to amend the STP Rural request to increase the estimate to \$2.99 million, seconded by David Olson. Motion was carried by a roll call vote.
- CTH B, Project ID: 11285- CHIP D : The committee discussed extra Right of Way that will need to be acquired due to the extension of the project. Gerry Krachey made a motion to approve relocation order and right of way acquisitions from Dach and Natwick for CTH B, Project ID: 11285 CHIP D, seconded by Henry Esser. Motion carried by a roll call vote.
- CTH E, Plainview – Maple Ridge & Pleasant Mound Intersection – The county is asking the state to extend the project to the west. Gerry Krachey made a motion to make an amendment to the Donohue & Associates contract for an additional \$1,500, (contract will change from \$49,500 to \$51,000), seconded by David Olson. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Local Projects & Bridges (continued):

- CTH S – Bridge P-12-0109, Project ID: B-12-0190 – The insurance company settled the Big Gain accident claim. Insurance check was \$162,082.00 for damage to the bridge, plus additional was paid for additional work, putting up signs, barricades, etc. for a total of \$184,511.00. Design of a new bridge is presently being completed by Jewell Associates Engineers, Inc.

Highway Buildings and Facilities:

- County forces are repairing, paving and replacing asphalt at the Gays Mills shop and salt shed.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

- Commissioner Pelock discussed with Corporate Attorney Mark Peterson about issuing an ordinance to ban drill tech horseshoes and see what the state rules are regarding Amish buggies. The Committee all agreed that it is necessary to check into the state laws on buggies with lights, etc., and to prepare an ordinance for no drill tech horseshoes, not obeying signs, etc.

Personnel and Personnel Issues:

- Wade Dull made a motion to approve release from 1 year probation for Dennis Butler on September 11, 2015 pending evaluation, seconded by David Olson. Motion was carried by a roll call vote.

Bids, Proposals or Sales:

- David Olson made a motion to approve selling sander #1030 to Town of Scott for \$5,000.00, seconded by Henry Esser. Motion was carried by a roll call vote.
- The old power washer was sold, but buyer never paid for it or came to pick up. There was an offer for \$250.00 for the old power washer, David Olson made a motion to sell the power washer for \$250.00, seconded by Henry Esser. Motion carried by a roll call vote.
- There was an offer for the old excavator bucket of \$850.00. Feyen Machinery valued the bucket at \$600 to \$1200. David Olson made a motion to sell the old excavator bucket for \$850.00, seconded by Gerry Krachey. Motion carried by a roll call vote.
- Commissioner Pelock discussed and approved the purchase of tires for the trucks will be split between Pomp's and Halpins.

Old Business:

- Winter maintenance for the Town of Wauzeka for the Kickapoo Cavern Road and Sprosty Hill Road was discussed.

The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. at the Crawford County Highway Department in Seneca, WI. At 10:50 a.m. with no further business, Gerry Krachey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Wade Dull. Motion was carried by a voice vote.

Tom Cornford

Gerry Krachey

David Olson

Wade P. Dull

Ray L. Egan
Committee

Wade Dull
Commissioner