

The Crawford County Highway Committee held their regular meeting on Thursday, January 18, 2018 at the Crawford County Highway Department Conference Room in Seneca, WI.

The meeting was called to order by Tom Cornford at 9:01 a.m. Proof of Publication was verified by Tom Cornford.

Members present were: Tom Cornford, Henry Esser, Derek Flansburgh, David Olson and Gerry Krachey. Also present were Commissioner Dennis Pelock, County Superintendent Dave Jones and State Superintendent Todd Myers. Julie Check was present to take minutes.

Gerry Krachey made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes for Thursday, December 21, 2017, seconded by David Olson. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Henry Esser made a motion to authorize payment for invoice vouchers for 2017 - Vo#981-986, Vouchers Payable #987-997, 1000-1046 and 2018 Vo #3-12; and payroll vouchers for 2017: Vo #979 & 980, VP# 998 & 999, and 2018 Vo# 1 & 2, seconded by Derek Flansburgh. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Citizen Concerns: A committee member discussed the cut brush that needs to be cleaned up on STH 35 near Limery.

Fund Balances, Transfer of Funds, Invoice Adjustments – Past due accounts:

- Budget Adjustments - The committee discussed what can be done due to the reduction in the Highway budget. Gerry Krachey explained that any bridge projects or vehicles that need to be purchased for the highway department will need to be presented to the Finance Committee because these are items the County will borrow money for. Summer help will be discussed at a later meeting.

County Trunk Highways:

- The committee discussed the issue on CTH E where the owner was notified of the right of way prior to putting up a new fence. County Superintendent Dave Jones told the landowner where the fence needed to be located, so that the new fence was not put on the right of way. The owner placed the new fence on the right of way anyway. The landowner was sent a letter stating he needed to remove the fence from the right of way, or the county forces will remove it and charge him.

Town/Village/City Projects & Issues:

- **Beiderman Hill Road, Gran Grae Creek Bridge #B-12-0185** – Going as planned. The Highway Department is presently processing bills for this project.

Local Projects & Bridges:

- **CTH C, Conway Valley Creek Bridge #B-12-0193, Project ID: 5001-00-01/71:** The PS&E is February 1, 2018. The right of way acquisitions have been completed.

Local Projects & Bridges: (continued)

- **CTH C, Johnson Creek Bridge #B-0181, Project ID: 5001-00-70** – The new bridge has been open and was graveled for winter. Approach pavement and beam guard will be completed in the spring.
- **CTH S, Kickapoo River Bridge #B-0018, Project ID: 5057-00-00/70** – In design phase.
- **CTH U, Plum Run Creek #B-0194, Project ID: 5527-00-00** – Gerry Krachey made a motion to re-approve the Relocation order and authorize the Commissioner to sign and file the documents, seconded by Derek Flansburgh. Motion carried by a voice vote.
Henry Esser made a motion to re-approve the offering/purchase price of \$3,030.00 per acres, seconded by David Olson. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Highway Buildings, Facilities and Equipment:

- **Wauzeka Highway Site** - Discussed tearing down the old warming shed at this site, and the possibility of adding a little addition off the back of the truck garage for a bathroom and a work area. Gerry Krachey made a motion to approve adding a small addition for bathroom and work area off the back of truck garage in Wauzeka, seconded by David Olson. Motion carried by a roll call vote. The committee agreed that if anyone wants to take the warming shed they can have it for free and haul it away at their expense.
- **Vehicle Use** – Commissioner Pelock discussed with the committee the vehicle use policy that had been approved years ago for him for his use of the county vehicle. They discussed the 125 mi. radius for personal use, also the use of the vehicle for business trips and incidental stops. Some examples were discussed. Gerry Krachey told Commissioner Pelock if he wanted to write up a specific policy with details, then it will be reviewed by the committee at a future meeting.

County Parks, Public Boat Landing, and Communication Towers & Equipment:

- **Boat Landing** – There will be a meeting with the DNR and everyone involved regarding the future of the boat landing.
- The committee discussed the idea of presenting to the County Board the Communication Towers & Equipment Policy the WCHA has in force, and why this would be a good policy to adopt.

Bids, Proposals or Sales:

- **Gunderson Contracts** – The committee discussed safety glasses and the possibility of requiring safety toe workshoes, and reimbursement allotment for both. Commissioner Pelock offered to get pricing on safety glasses and check with other counties and insurance company to see if they require safety boots. This will be discussed again at the February meeting.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, February 15, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Crawford County Highway Department in Seneca, WI. At 9:57 a.m., with no further business, Gerry Krachey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Henry Esser. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Tom Cornford
Debra Krachey
Henry L Esser
Committee

David Olson
Debra Flansburg
David J. Stahl
Commissioner