

The Crawford County Highway Committee held their regular meeting on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at the Crawford County Highway Department conference room 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, Derek Flansburgh, David Olson, Gerry Krachey and Carl Orr. Also present were Commissioner Kyle Kozelka, State Highway Superintendent Todd Myers, County Superintendent Dave Jones and Shop Superintendent Cory Folbrecht. Julie Check recorded the meeting minutes.

Derek Flansburgh made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes for Thursday, April 15, 2021, seconded by Carl Orr. Motion carried by a voice vote.

David Olson made a motion to authorize Invoice Vouchers: # 244-252, 255-272 & 275-325; and Payroll Vouchers: # 253, 254, 273 & 274; seconded by Gerry Krachey. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Citizen Concerns:

- Discussed the issues in front of BP South that the State still hasn't repaired from STH 18 project.

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

- **Fund Balances** – May 1, 2021 fund balances were reviewed.

State Trunk Highways:

- **STH Update** - State Superintendent Todd Myers discussed the meeting with WisDOT personnel regarding replacing culverts on STH 131 & STH 171. WisDOT will be including the majority of culvert replacements in the let contracts. Several projects will now be bumped out to 2022 or later, including bridge on STH 179 to 2022.

County Trunk Highways:

- **CTH Updates** - County Superintendent Dave Jones said the county forces are busy working on Town and Village work. Cracked sealed CTH B; finished graveling roadways in Haney and repaired box culverts on Halls Branch; repaired soft spots for Town of Wauzeka; finished up Mill Coulee and Wachuta for Town of PDC; will start concrete work and mowing next.
- **Shelf Projects** - With potential for increased infrastructure funding, it is recommended for Counties to have projects ready for when these funds become available. The County pays for the design portion. Commissioner Kozelka suggested the bridge on CTH S which is weight posted for a shelf project. The committee members agreed to move ahead with pursuing the bridge design. Carl Orr made a motion for Commissioner Kozelka to go with any engineer(s) that the county has had a good working relationship with, for design services for the CTH S bridge, seconded by Gerry Krachey. Motion carried by a roll call vote.
- **CTH K Pedestrian Crossing(s)** - Discussed painting the crosswalks.

Local Projects & Bridges:

Low Risk Local Bridge Pilot Program Project – Town of Marietta, Marietta Valley Rd., Woodward Hollow Creek Bridge #P-12-0001, Project ID: 5329-00-00/70: Project was

Local Projects & Bridges: (continued)

- delayed a couple weeks due to a fiber optic live relocate.
- **CTH K, Project ID: 5495-00-01/70, E. Frederick St. to Cliffwood Drive:** The project went pretty smooth. The punch list needs to be completed and there are a few transition issues.
- **CTH H, STH 171 – CTH X, English Run Creek Bridge #P-12-0055, Project ID: 5415-00-01/71 and Town of Clayton, Tiller Rd., Pigeon Run Creek Bridge #P-12-0905, Project ID:5325-00-02/72:** The project contract is 45 days should be finished up before July.
- **Town of Scott, Byers Road, Richland Creek Bridge #P-12-0096, Project ID: 5336-00-03/73:** The bridge was torn out last week and forms were set. Possibly pouring abutment this week.
- **Town of Wauzeka, Gran Grae Bridge #P-12-0124, Project ID: 5339-00-02/72:** Project scheduled for 2022. Right of Way acquisitions are in progress.

Highway Buildings, Facilities and Equipment:

- **Lean-To Structure:** The lean-to structure off the truck garage is completed. Crews are cleaning and organizing the lot.

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

- **Gordons Bay Boat Docks Update:** The DNR will hire the County to set the boat docks in June.

Personnel and Personnel Issues:

- **Postings and Job Openings** – Commissioner Kyle Kozelka updated the committee on the internal postings: Jeff Johnson transferred to Gary Mara's route; Brady Krachey transferred to Jeff Johnson's route; Justin Oswald transferred to Brady Krachey's route. The deadline for the Patrolman ad in the paper is June 3rd, 2021 at noon. This is for Justin Oswald's previous route. The internal posting for the open foreman position is up.
- **Cory Folbrecht – Employee Recognition Program, 15 years:** Commissioner Kozelka, Superintendents Todd Myers and Dave Jones along with the committee congratulated and thanked Cory Folbrecht for his 15 years of service effective May 1, 2021. Cory will receive his employee recognition certificate and chamber bucks once they are sent to Seneca.

Bids, Proposals, Sales or Misc.:

- **Parks Mower:** The parks mower is usually rotated out every 2-3 years. This mower is now 5 years old. Discussed several brands and options that were priced out for commercial mowers. The same as the old model is a 28hp price is \$10,000 and not in stock. The 41 HP that is a step up with upgrades is \$13,000 and in stock. Carl Orr made a motion to shop around for the best commercial mower w/60' deck and purchase it, seconded by David Olson. Motion carried by a roll call vote.
- **Attenuator Bids:** Availability of receiving an attenuator will be after mowing season is over. Will discuss bids again in the future.
- **Tracked Excavator Quotes:** The demos will be arriving today and next week. Commissioner Kozelka explained that the mechanics, superintendents and crew will be testing out the demo machines from several different companies. He will have updated quotes and comments/suggestions from the demos to bring to the June meeting.

Bids, Proposals, Sales or Misc.: (continued)

- **Service Truck Pricing:** Commissioner Kozelka explained that Shop Superintendent Cory Folbrecht is still working with Universal on getting the exact specs drawn up.

Sales, Road Supplies, Junk, etc:

- The crew is cleaning up the misc. stock piled junk in back lot. They will be hauling the scrap to the junk yard in Boscobel.

The next regular meeting will be Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 9.00 a.m. at the Crawford County Highway Department in Seneca. At 10:06 a.m., with no further business, Gerry Krachey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Carl Orr. Motion carried by a voice vote.

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David Olson

Gerry Krachey
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Gerry Krachey
Commissioner