

AGENDA
THURSDAY JANUARY 5, 2023 –9:00 AM
HIGHWAY COMMITTEE OF OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
301 WASHINGTON STREET, COURTHOUSE BUILDING “A” ROOM #3041
OCONTO WI 54153
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This is an open meeting of a Standing Committee of the Oconto County Board of Supervisors. Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting, by forwarding the complete agenda to the newspapers and to all news media who have requested the same as well as by posting. Copies of the complete agenda were available for inspection at the Office of the County Clerk and from the County’s website calendar: www.co.oconto.wi.us

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
 - 2.1. Change of Sequence
 - 2.2. Removal of Items
3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting (Enc.)
4. Review Prior Months Vendor Payments (Enc.)
5. Communications
6. Roadwork Update
7. Equipment Update
8. Approve Purchase of Truck Chassis
9. Carry Over Vacation Request
10. Staffing Update
11. MRF Truck Scale
12. Announcements/General Information (No action to be taken)
13. Next Meeting Date
14. Adjournment

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Courthouse Building “A” is located at the corner of Washington Street and Arbutus Avenue

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VMH/Date Posted: December 28, 2022

MINUTES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2022 – 9:00 A.M.
HIGHWAY COMMITTEE OF OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AT THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
202 VANDYKE STREET, OCONTO, WI 54153

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(Draft minutes not approved by committee)

COMMITTEE PRESENT: Elmer Ragen, David Behrend, David Christianson, Robert Wolf, Joel Lavarda
ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Brandon Hytinen, Vanessa Hasenberg, Al Sleeter, Erik Pritzl

1. Call to Order

Chair Christianson called the meeting to order at 9 am.

2. Approval of Agenda

2.1 Change of Sequence – None.

2.2 Removal of Items – None.

Motion by Lavarda/Ragen to approve the agenda. The motion was voted and carried.

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Motion by Ragen/Wolf to approve the November 3, 2022 minutes. The motion was voted and carried.

4. Review Prior Months Vendor Payments

Vendor payments were discussed.

5. Communications

-Notice of Public Hearings had no impact on county highway system.

-Hytinen received notice from AEComm that salt shed inspections will take place February-March 2023.

-The RMA (routine maintenance agreement) with WisDOT for 2023 was approved by Hytinen, with an increase of \$84,000.

-Hytinen received a complaint of injury from resurfacing project on CTH-F. Information was given to Oconto County Administrator Pritzl.

6. Lena Snow Drifters Snowmobile Request

Club requesting use of CTH J bridge across Little River, with the condition they maintain snow removal. Motion by Wolf/Lavarda to allow them to use this crossing. The motion was voted and carried.

7. Roadwork Update

-USH 41 bridge deck has been removed on passing lane on southbound Little Suamico River, just south of CTH-S.

-US Forest Service finalized terms of payment on CTH-F projects, paying 85% of original agreement. Our department hopes to continue a working relationship with them and the DNR for any future projects.

-STH-22 public informational meeting was held last evening at the Gillett High School regarding the segment being rebuilt through the City of Gillett.

8. 2023 Winter Road School

Hytinen gave details on Winter Road School which will take place January 23-25, 2023, in Wisconsin Dells. Committee to let Amy Zerbe know today who will attend. Any spouses that attend are responsible for their own registration fees.

9. Operator 1 Opening

Interviews scheduled over the next week to replace an operator who recently resigned.

10. Closed Session: The Committee will convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85(e), for the purpose of deliberating certain highway-related public business, as competitive reasons require a closed session.
Motion by Behrend/Wolf to go into closed session at 9:30am. The motion was voted and carried.
11. Return to Open Session: The Committee will return to open session, pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85(2) to conduct all further legal business.
Motion by Lavarda/Wolf to return to open session at 10:43am. The motion was voted and carried.
12. CTH-C Design Ranking
Letters were sent to 11 firms, and 8 firms responded with letters of interest. Motion by Lavarda/Wolf to recommend the following ranking to WisDOT:
 - 1) JT Engineering
 - 2) Ayers
 - 3) MSAThe motion was voted and carried. Hytinen will submit ranking results to WisDOT.
13. Announcements/General Information/Guests (No action to be taken)
 - Hytinen discussed current diesel/gas prices.
 - Sheriff's department is moved out of impound yard and we are currently using the building to store materials and equipment.
 - Kurt Niemann is collecting information on costs associated with moving scale from Recycling Center to Oconto Shop.
14. Next Meeting Date
Next meeting scheduled for January 5, 2023, at 9 am in the County Board room.
15. Equipment Update
 - Hytinen read letter from Ford Government Sales notifying our department that based on our 5-year ordering average, we are being allotted one unit in 2023. Committee recommends Hytinen move forward with obtaining more information and pricing.
 - Committee toured new equipment in Oconto shop.
16. Adjournment
Chair Christianson declared meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.

Vanessa Hasenberg

Recorder

Date Posted: December 14, 2022