

MINUTES
Thursday, June 6, 2019
HIGHWAY COMMITTEE OF
OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AT THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
202 VAN DYKE STREET, OCONTO, WI 54153
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(Draft minutes –until approved by committee)

COMMITTEE PRESENT: Ragen, Sleeter, Bartels Jr., Christianson, and Stranz.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Pat Scanlan, Vanessa Peters, Monty Brink, Dave Dreshek

TIME MEETING BEGAN: 9:00 A.M.

1. Approval of Agenda
 - A. Change of Sequence – None
 - B. Remove Items – NoneMotion by Stranz, second by Bartels Jr, to approve the agenda. The motion was voted and carried.
2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
Motion by Sleeter, second by Christiansen, to approve the minutes of the May 2, May 21 and May 23, 2019 meetings. The motion was voted and carried.
3. Review Prior Months Vendor Payments
Committee reviewed monthly vendor payments.
4. Communications
 - a. Notice of Public Hearings, nothing currently impacting the Oconto County Highway Systems.
 - b. Information was given from the Machinery Management meeting regarding the change of winter availability rate expanding to a winter readiness rate for each piece of equipment on a designated winter route on the state system.
 - c. Letter was read from Escanaba Lake Superior Railroad on upcoming bridge replacement in the Village of Lena.
 - d. Letter was read from Suring Area Business Association requesting services from highway dept on August 31 for Conquer the Hill Run/Walk. Signs and cones are needed on STH 32 during the event.
 - e. Notice of Citation/Order was read from Mine Safety and Health Administration regarding truck brake violation. Order has been released due to correction made at the pit.
 - f. Detour information was received from the Village of Lena regarding their requested closure of CTH A on July 26, 2019.
5. Road Closure Request City of Gillett
Letter was read asking for closure of CTH BB on June 15 from 8pm – 11pm with detour information given. Additional request made for CTH BB on July 4 at 2pm. Permit from DOT is also required for STH 32. Motion by Sleeter, second by Christiansen to allow road closures during this time. The motion was voted and carried.
6. WDNR Notification Correspondence
Notice was given regarding property with contaminated soil on CTH W at county line.
7. Request for Road Use Brazeau Volunteer Fire Dept
Letter was read requesting use of CTH B segment on August 31 for a run/walk around Rost Lake. Map of route was included. Brazeau Fire Dept will administer traffic control. Motion by Stranz, second by Bartels Jr to allow road use during this time. Motion was voted and carried.
8. Approve Employee Status Forms
Motion by Christiansen, second by Sleeter to approve the summer LTE's. The motion was voted and carried.
9. Route Request Oconto Area ATV Club

Dreshek requested ATV use on CTH E, 0.25 mile segment from Miller Road to Brehmer Road, as well as 0.4 mile segment on CTH A from Lena Fast Stop to Belgium Road. Motion by Sleeter, second by Christiansen to postpone action until minutes showing approval of town segments can be supplied, as well as documents showing rejected offers to rent private land for routes. The motion was voted and carried.

10. Approve Dept Employee Performance Evaluations
Motion by Bartels Jr, second by Stranz to approve highway department performance evaluations as completed. The motion was voted and carried.
11. Update Roadwork
Scanlan gave handout on plan for future projects. Discussion continued on CTH BB bridge deck replacement and boat launch use during construction.
12. Closed Session: The Committee may convene into closed session, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Sec. 19.85(1)(f), for the purpose of considering certain personnel issues.
Motion by Sleeter, second by Stranz to enter closed session. The motion was voted and carried.
13. Return to Open Session: The Committee shall return to open session to conduct legal business, as allowed by Wisconsin Statute Sec. 19.85(2). Motion by Bartels Jr, second by Sleeter to return to open session. The motion was voted and carried.
14. Announcements/General Information (No Action to be taken)
Breakfast on the farm is Sunday, June 9.
15. Next Meeting Date
Next meeting set for July 11, 2019 – 9:00 am.
16. Adjournment
Chair Ragen declared meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.

Vanessa Peters

Recorder

Date Posted: June 17, 2019