

BUFFALO COUNTY MINUTES

Committee of the Board: Buffalo County Highway Committee

Date of the Meeting: Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Chairman Mr. Weiss called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. in the conference room of the Buffalo County Highway Department, Alma, Wisconsin.

Board Members Present: Mr. Ruff, Mr. Weiss, and Mr. Sendelbach. Mr. Michaels via phone. Mr. Nelson excused absence.

Others Present for All or Parts of the Meeting: Bob Platteter, Kelly Johnston, Janet LaDuke, John DeWitt, Dennis Earney, Lee Engfer, and Cody Ritscher (Lindstrom Equipment)

Public Comments regarding Agenda Items: None

Review/Discussion/Action - Minutes of the Previous Meeting: A motion was made by Mr. Sendelbach, seconded by Mr. Ruff to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, June 13, 2023. Carried.

Mr. Sendelbach made a motion to add information to Review/Discussion/Action regarding Equipment from the June 13th minutes. Add make sure pertinent information of equipment being traded, and quote information of equipment being purchased will be sent to Highway Committee members in advance of the upcoming meeting date, preferably a week in advance if possible. Mr. Ruff seconded. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action - Monthly Vouchers #29429 through # 29477 totaling \$138,231.75 were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Ruff seconded by Mr. Sendelbach to approve the monthly vouchers as presented. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action – Buffalo County Fair Board Rep:

- a. Estimate of \$5,000 for Labor, \$1,600 for Equipment, \$2,100 for Materials. After discussion Mr. Ruff made a motion to donate the guardrail and posts. Bolts and nuts will need to be purchased. Mattison Contractors will install the posts and volunteers will install the guardrail. Mr. Sendelbach seconded. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action – Equipment:

- a. Mr. Sendelbach made a motion to accept the bid from Lindstrom Equipment for the purchase of a new JCB Skidsteer for \$21,000 plus trade and the cost for Lexan safety glass. Mr. Michaels seconded. Mr. Michaels yes, Mr. Weiss yes, Mr. Sendelbach yes, Mr. Ruff yes
- b. Mr. Sendelbach made a motion to accept Mid-States Internationals bids for two 2025 HV613 Tandem Axle Trucks with 7yr warranties for \$186,860.72. Mr. Ruff seconded. Mr. Ruff yes, Mr. Sendelbach yes, Mr. Weiss yes, Mr. Michaels yes
- c. Mr. Ruff made a motion to approve the addition of a quick connect for \$3,950 and a 3rd valve for \$1,500 to the new loader that was approved at the June 13, 2023, meeting. Mr. Sendelbach seconded. Mr. Ruff yes, Mr. Sendelbach yes, Mr. Weiss yes, Mr. Michaels yes

Review/Discussion/Action – Buildings & Grounds:

- a. Contact some contractors to get quotes and a timeline to do the work on sign shop door.
- b. Waiting for quotes for fencing and cameras.
- c. Mr. Ruff made a motion to allow Zion Lutheran Church (Sleep in Heavenly Peace) to use the Mondovi Shop facility one Saturday with the stipulation that a county employee be present. Sleep in Heavenly Peace builds beds for children who do not have one. Mr. Sendelbach seconded. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action– Roads & Bridges:

- a. Discussion of projects completed, projects being done at present, and projects getting ready to begin.

- b. Discussion of rut filling before asphalt capping of County Road E. This will be done with fiber added to the asphalt. This will be between Danzinger Vineyard and County Road N.
- c. Initial paperwork has been submitted for flood recovery. Waiting for the next steps needed to continue.
- d. Patched asphalt by the inlet near Alma School. Need to grout around casting yet.

Review/Discussion– Financial Report:

- a. Auditors are still working to finish up 2022. Office staff are pushing forward with everything we can. Tyler Tech issues with training schedules, manpower being depleted from different departments during these trainings. Pepin County has delayed implementing Tyler Tech for 1 year.

Commissioners Report- New fuel truck to be purchased. \$800 to test. \$3,000 to certify. Take to get tested.

Committee Chair Report –State mowing looks good. Receiving compliments on the mowing.

Next Meeting – The next meeting will be August 8, 2023, at 8:00 a.m.

Public Comments- Nothing to report.

Adjournment- Mr. Sendelbach made a motion to adjourn at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Acting Secretary
Kelly Johnston