

BUFFALO COUNTY MINUTES

Committee of the Board:

Buffalo County Highway Committee

Date of the Meeting:

Tuesday, July 12, 2022

Chairman Mr. Max Weiss called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m. in the conference room of the Buffalo County Highway Department, Alma, Wisconsin.

Board Members Present: Mr. John Sendelbach, Mr. Max Weiss Mr. Brian Michaels, Mr. Steve Nelson, Mr. Dwight Ruff via phone.

Others Present for All or Parts of the Meeting: Bob Platteter, Kelly Johnston, John Dewitt and Janet LaDuke.

Review/Discussion/Action - Minutes of the Previous Meeting: A motion was made by Mr. Sendelbach, seconded by Mr. Nelson to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, June 14, 2022. Unanimously approved by the Committee.

Public Comments regarding Agenda Items: None

Review/Discussion/Action - Monthly Vouchers #28557 through # 28630 totaling \$118,143.33 were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Michaels seconded by Mr. Sendelbach to approve the monthly vouchers as presented. Unanimously approved by the Committee.

Review/Discussion/Action– Staffing:

- a. Open Positions-The two positions that were open are now filled. Alex Reinhardt started on Monday 7/11/2022. Caleb Rud starts Monday 7/18/2022.
- b. Winter work hours-Discussion of summer and winter hours. Mr. Michaels made a motion to leave the hours the way they are without any changes unless the Federal Government passes the changes to daylight savings time. We will readdress at that time. Mr. Sendelbach seconded. Carried

Review/Discussion/Action - Equipment:

- a. Review Revised Equipment Plan- Discussion about the revised equipment plan.
- b. Review and approve Truck Bids (3) for 2023 purchase- Discussion. Mr. Sendelbach made a motion to approve Mid-States bid for three International tandem axle trucks, using the two rebates from Navistar, and to get a written contract stating the bid price is the actual price and no surcharge after the fact. Mr. Nelson seconded. Mr. Weiss-yes, Mr. Sendelbach-yes, Mr. Nelson-yes, Mr. Michaels-yes, Mr. Ruff-yes. Carried

Review/Discussion/Action – Buildings & Grounds:

- a. Fluid Secure Status- The last of the parts arrived. Ms. Gurin, the Parts and Inventory Specialist, is working to get them installed then it will be ready to start using.

Review/Discussion/Action – Roads and Bridges:

- a. Road Construction Status- CTH OO paving this week. CTH O has started and is moving right along. Waiting on extensions from Weiser. CTH O (Cochrane side) met with the railroad to redo the sections at the railroad crossing. Railroad will provide flagmen while we are working within 25 feet of the tracks. CTH H North will be held off until 2023 to go along with the City of Mondovi project as it has been held off until 2023 due to supply shortages.
- b. Road Maintenance Status- Start of Chipseal is pushed out until August 15, 2022, due to scheduling with the oil provider.
- c. Bridge Replacement Status- CTH OO bridge is complete. CTH E bridge is a head of schedule. CTH G bridge is in progress.

- d. Review & Accept Bids on Seal Coat Chips- Only one bid received for the chips. Wabasha Sand & Gravel had the only bid. Delivery price is about \$3.00 a ton higher than 2021 prices. Mr. Sendelbach made a motion to accept the bid from Wabasha Sand & Gravel. Mr. Michaels seconded. Carried
- e. Review & Accept Bids on Palkowski Bridge Install- Bids for Palkowski bridge are due July 21, 2022.

Review/Discussion/Action – 2021 Financial Review:

- a. The 2021 Budget Summary was reviewed. No concerns at this time.

Review/Discussion/Action – Emergency Petition for Joint Funding-Town of Canton:

- a. Culvert on Brion Road, Town of Canton, that is failing. Total cost is \$8,500.00. County portion is \$4,250.00 and Township portion is \$4,250.00. Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve the joint project. Mr. Sendelbach seconded. Carried

Commissioners Report – Consultant selection for two bridges in the STP program and reconstruction of CTH B from STH 37 to Gilmanston. These are Federal Aid Projects. Mr. Platteter, Mr. Johnston, and Mr. Michaels will be involved in the consultant selection process. The Volvo excavator had a wire harness issue of which Ayring Equipment covered under warranty.

Committee Chair Report – Financial Report- Everything is closed for 2021. Everything is finalized with the auditors. We are about three months behind the normal schedule for 2022. Try to be caught up as best as possible by the August 9th meeting.

Next Meeting – The next meeting will be August 9, 2022, at 8:00 a.m.

Public Comments- Invite Lucas Teska, Emergency Management/Safety Management/Risk Assessment person to the next meeting to discuss future plans.

Mr. Michaels made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Sendelbach seconded. Carried

Respectfully submitted,



Acting Secretary
Kelly Johnston