

***MINUTES OF THE  
HIGHWAY, INFRASTRUCTURE & RECREATION COMMITTEE***

**DAY & DATE:** March 07, 2013  
**PLACE:** Wood County Courthouse, 400 Market St., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494, Room 115  
**MEETING TIME:** 8:00 A.M.  
**ADJOURNMENT TIME:** 10:15 A.M.  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman, Al Breu; Vice-Chairman, Trent Miner; Secretary, Dennis Polach; Member Marion Hokamp, and Member Gerald Nelson  
**OTHERS PRESENT:** Highway Commissioner Doug Passineau; Office Manager, Heather Gehrt; Park Administrator, Chad Schooley; Forest Administrator, Fritz Schubert; DNR Forestry Liaison, Steve Grant; Jere Hamel, Public; George Bartels & Curt Pluke, Wood County Wildlife Area Committee.

1. Chairman A. Breu called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.
2. Public comments: None
3. The minutes of the February 07, 2013 Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee meeting were reviewed.

**A motion was made by G. Nelson and seconded by D. Polach to approve the above-mentioned minutes. Motion carried.**

4. D. Passineau handed out the 5 year bituminous plan.
5. Revenue that was previously discussed with the WisDot for damages on CTH's affected by the CTH O's detour were more than what was originally anticipated during the planning process. D. Passineau is working on negotiations for these other areas.
6. Resolution for out-of-state travel for Roland Hawk to attend bridge certification training in Minnesota.

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by M. Hokamp to approve the resolution for out-of-state travel to Minnesota for bridge certification and forward to the County Board for their approval. Motion carried.**

7. Wheeled hydraulic excavator quotes were reviewed. The Committee instructed the Highway Department to accept the quote that is most advantageous to Wood County after review of the specifications by the Highway Department personnel and negotiation of the sale of the old equipment.

8. Milling and pulverizing quotes were reviewed. The Committee instructed the Highway Department to accept the quote that is most advantageous to Wood County after review of the specifications by the Highway Department personnel.

9. Bituminous materials bids were reviewed.

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to go with the low bids that are most advantageous to Wood County. Motion carried.**

10. Frac Sand Update—2 short term and 1 long term contracts have been signed at this time.

11. Current Projects Update. (see attached sheet)

12. The monthly bill listing was reviewed.

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by G. Nelson to approve the monthly bill listing. Motion carried.**

13. Accounting Supervisor's report was reviewed. It was noted that the snow removal budget is depleting rapidly due to the snow storms.

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by M. Hokamp to approve the Accounting Supervisor's report. Motion carried.**

14. Correspondence

-Resolution from Marathon County in support of opening I-39 to Raw Forest Products.

-Letter to the City of Marshfield for jurisdictional transfer.

-Turning old "State Room" into the sign shop.

-Arpin or Marshfield for the 2<sup>nd</sup> shop will seek appraisals and come back with a report at a later meeting.

-Jim Alfred retiring on April 3, 2013.

**The Committee took a break at 9:15 AM and resumed at 9:25 AM**

15. Building & Grounds Supervisor's report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by G. Nelson to approve the Building & Grounds Supervisor's report. Motion carried.**

16. Office Manager's report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)

3 resolutions were presented: 1 resolution for Snowmobile trail maintenance, 1 resolution for Snowmobile trail development and bridges, and 1 resolution for ATV trail maintenance.

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to accept the above-mentioned resolutions and forward to the County Board for their approval. Motion carried.**

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by M. Hokamp to approve the Office Manager's report. Motion carried.**

**17. Park Administrator's report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)**

- **Creation of Powers Bluff Advisory Committee. The Committee instructed C. Schooley to check with Corporation Counsel on how to set it up and to try and model after other Advisory Committees.**
- **The Nate Reblin family would like to donate \$3,000 towards playground equipment at the North Wood County Park campground in memoriam of a child that passed away.**
- **Special Use Permit for 4 Stools Short Fisheree at Nepco County Park on 02/15/2014.**

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by G. Nelson to approve the special use permit. Motion carried.**

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by M. Hokamp to approve the Park Administrator's report. Motion carried.**

**18. Forest Administrator's Report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)**

- **Wildlife Area Discussion. Corp counsel's interpretation of current lease with the state was reviewed. Recent discussion with local DNR Wildlife Bureau representative pointed to the need for the county to develop an "issue brief" for the purpose of initiating the discussion between the parties (county and state) in relation to possible modification of the lease. F. Schubert will write a draft issue brief for committee consideration at a future meeting. Once the issue brief is approved it will be forwarded to Kris Belling (DNR in Eau Claire) as a first step in beginning discussions for lease modifications.**

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to approve the Forest Administrator's report. Motion carried.**

**19. Correspondence.**

- **Letter to Unemployment Insurance Advisory Committee.**

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by M. Hokamp to forward this issue to the Judicial and Legislative Committee with a possible resolution coming from that Committee to County Board for their approval. Motion carried.**

20. Old Business—None

21. New Business—None

22. The monthly bill listing was reviewed.

**A motion was made by G. Nelson and seconded by T. Miner to approve the monthly bill listing. Motion carried.**

23. The revenue report was reviewed.

**A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by D. Polach to approve the revenue report. Motion carried.**

24. The next meeting date is April 4, 2013 at 8:00 A.M. at the Wood County Highway Shop, Wisconsin Rapids.

**A motion was made by G. Nelson and seconded by A. Breu to adjourn at 10:15 A.M. Motion carried.**



Dennis Polach, Secretary

Minutes taken by Heather Gehrt, Park & Forestry Office Manager