

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

DAY & DATE: March 01, 2012
PLACE: Wood County Courthouse, 400 Market St., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494, Room 115
MEETING TIME: 8:00 A.M.
ADJOURNMENT TIME: 9:44 A.M.
MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman, Thomas Haferman; Vice-Chairman, Trent Miner; Secretary, Dennis Polach; Member Marion Hokamp and Member, Ross Miltimore
OTHERS PRESENT: Highway Commissioner Doug Passineau; Office Manager, Heather Gehrt; Park Administrator, Chad Schooley; Forest Administrator, Fritz Schubert; DNR Forestry Liaison, Steve Grant; and others as listed on sign-in sheet.

1. Chairman T. Haferman called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.
2. Public comments: T. Haferman polled the audience and people were there for an update later in the Parks section. T. Haferman asked that all comments be held until then.
3. The minutes of the February 02, 2012 Highway Infrastructure & Recreation Committee meeting were reviewed.

A motion was made by D. Polach and seconded by R. Miltimore to approve the minutes from February 02, 2012. Motion carried.

4. Agreements were signed with the Department of Transportation (D.O.T.) for traffic maintenance.
5. Interviews are done for the (3) Common Laborer Positions that are currently open and possibly another (1) position opening in the future. D. Passineau is currently working with the Human Resources Department in developing a position for an Engineer or and Engineer that is licensed by the State.
6. D. Passineau handed out a list of summer road projects by priority. Due to the possible increase in oil, the lower priority items may not get done.
7. Pearl Engineering is putting together specifications for the shop heating system and should be ready to bid out in late spring.
8. County Trunk Highway Z has had some shading issues with trees and tends to get icy in the winter. D. Passineau has been in contact with the landowners on both sides of the road to try to acquire road right-of-way space.

9. Current Projects Update. (see attached sheet)

- County Forester would like more communication with crews when they are cutting trees in the road right-of-way on County Forest Lands.

10. The monthly bill listing was reviewed.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by M. Hokamp to approve the monthly bill listing. Motion carried.

11. Accounting Supervisor's report was reviewed.

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

12. Correspondence.

- Weight limits on county roads will go into effect on March 05, 2012.
- Holding HIRC meetings at the Marshfield Highway Shop.
- Lights with motion sensors are being installed to cut costs at the Wisconsin Rapids Shop.

The Committee took a break at 8:33 A.M. and resumed at 8:40 A.M.

A request was made by Chairman T. Haferman to move to agenda item #15.

13. Item #15-Park Administrator's Report (see attached sheet)

- An update was given regarding the boat landing on the west side of Nepco Lake.

14. Item #13-Building & Grounds Supervisor's report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)

- Powers Bluff will be reopening for the weekend; March 3 & 4, 2012.

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

15. Item #14-Office Manager's report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by R. Miltimore to sign the Snowmobile and ATV resolutions and forward to County Board for their approval. Motion carried.

A motion was made by R. Miltimore and seconded by D. Polach to accept the Office Manager's report. Motion carried.

16. Item #15-Park Administrator's report cont...

- County Conservation Grant was approved and will help the Musky Club stock Muskys in Nepco Lake.
- Mark Stats, from the BMX Club, has requested that the South Wood County Park Campground take reservations through September 9 for the National Championship coming to the Wisconsin Rapids Area.
- Jeremiah's Crossing Car Show/Cruise at Dexter County Park Shelter Area on August 17 & 18.

A motion was made by D. Polach and seconded by T. Miner to approve Jeremiah's Crossing event at Dexter County Park Shelter Area on August 17 & 18, 2012. Motion carried

A motion was made by R. Miltimore and seconded by M. Hokamp to approve the Park Administrator's report. Motion carried.

17. Item #16-Forest Administrator's Report was reviewed. (see attached sheet)

- S. Grant gave an update on the Walker Cranberry land trade. The environmental assessment has been completed, gone for review, and approved. It is now out for public comment for 14 days and when that time is done, S. Grant will forward all comments back to environmental assessment. They will then sign off on it and forward to Madison for final approval. It is the hope that this should be completed by the end of March.

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

18. Item #17-Brandon Baird, from Mi-Tech Services/TDS Telecom, attended this portion of the meeting to discuss getting a perpetual easement on County Park land for the purpose of putting equipment for high speed internet access to the residents of Dexterville and the surrounding areas.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by R. Miltimore to have C. Schooley work with Corporation Counsel to come up with the best proposal for Wood County whether that is through an easement or a lease. Motion carried.

19. Item #18-Correspondence.

- L. Pliml wants the Parks Department to consider looking into ATV trails for the County.

20. Item #19-The monthly bill listing was reviewed.

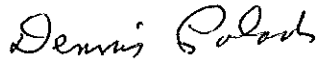
A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by M. Hokamp to approve the monthly bill listing. Motion carried.

21. Item #20-The revenue report was reviewed.

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

22. Item #21-Next meeting date is: April 05, 2012 at the Wood County Highway Shop.

A motion was made by T. Miner and seconded by R. Miltimore to adjourn at 9:44 A.M. Motion carried.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dennis Polach".

Dennis Polach, Secretary

Minutes taken by Heather Gehrt, Park & Forestry Office Manager