

Green County Highway Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 10, 2022

The Green County Highway Committee met at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, January 10, 2022 at the Green County Highway Department located at 2813 6th Street, Monroe, Wisconsin.

Members present were: Chairman Harvey Mandel, Secretary Jeff Williams, and Kristi Leonard
Absent Member: Mark Gundlach.

Others present were Commissioner Chris Narveson, Jami Thomm, John Schumacher, Chad Steiner, Eric Wild, Hector Pena and Amy Bartlett.

Chairman Harvey Mandel called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

The agenda was accepted as submitted.

A motion to approve the minutes from the December 13, 2021, meeting was made by Jeff Williams and seconded by Russ Torkelson. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

The Committee audited bills. A motion was made by Kristi Leonard and seconded by Russ Torkelson to approve the bills for the amount of \$97,383.54 for the month of December. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

The Committee was introduced to Hector Pena, Shop Superintendent.

Patrol Superintendent John Schumacher reported Patrolmen working on winter storm removal and salt storage. Patrolmen will continue State tree trimming on STH 39 & STH 92 as weather permits.

General Superintendent Eric Wild reported on continuing brush cutting for local Municipalities and working on various projects at the Highway Department.

Discussion was held regarding an updated quote received on the Lowboy Trailer purchase. Commissioner Chris Narveson advised that the original quote received was missing items and had a longer lead time. A motion was made by Kristi Leonard to approve the updated quote for the amount of \$74,996.00 and seconded by Jeff Williams. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

Discussion was held on purchasing a tag trailer. Shop Superintendent Hector Pena advised the Committee of a used tri-axle tag trailer for sale. He advised that it is mechanically sound but will need a few repairs and advised of an alternate trailer that is a new tandem tag trailer with a deposit being required for purchase. A motion was made by Jeff Williams to approve the purchase of a new tandem trailer for an approximate cost of \$35,000.00 and seconded by Russ Torkelson. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

Commissioner Chris Narveson provided the Committee with a quote regarding 2022 truck purchases consisting of one tandem patrol chassis for the purchase price of \$132,000.00 and one single axle patrol chassis for the purchase price of \$115,000.00. Discussion was held. A motion was made by Russ Torkelson to approve the purchases and seconded by Kristi Leonard. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

Discussion was held on quotes received for a foam truck wash system. Two units to be purchased for the Monroe wash bay and one unit each for the Brodhead and New Glarus shops for a total cost of \$9,741.84. A motion was made by Russ Torkelson to approve the purchase and seconded by Kristi Leonard. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Town of Sylvester Maintenance Agreement. Chris Narveson advised the Committee no changes were being made to the agreement. A motion was made by

Kristi Leonard to approve the agreement and seconded by Jeff Williams. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the Blanchardville Co-op loyalty points. Kristi Leonard to look into the points further and tabled to the next meeting.

Discussion was held on making the ATV/UTV application and County ordinance available on the County website. No action.

Discussion was held on the proposal received from Barrientos Design. No action.

Highway Commissioner Chris Narveson provided information on the following items:

- a. Chris received an email from the WTA regarding the WisDOT TRIP-S advising County Commissioner's are not being helpful. The State Statute reads Towns have a November 1 deadline. Per WisDOT the deadline is January 15.
- b. Chris provided the Committee with a Fernstaedt quarry update. An agreement is being requested by the Property Owner.
- c. Chris advised the Committee on white pine trees being purchased and will be planted at the Tower for screen use.

Hector Pena and Chad Steiner left the meeting at this time.

Statement of Purpose for Closed Meeting given by Chairman Harvey Mandel: that purpose being; considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 19.85 (1)(c). Specifically, discussion regarding Discussion regarding performance and certain other issues relating to Highway management level employees, and consider request to Personnel and Labor Relations Committee of one (1) Foreman I promotion and promotion of Skilled Laborer to Engineer Tech.

A motion to enter into closed session was made by Russ Torkelson and seconded by Jeff Williams. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

A motion to reconvene into open session was made by Kristi Leonard and seconded by Jeff Williams. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Williams to promote Barry Einbeck from Foreman I Grade 76, Step 8 to Foreman II Grade 77, Step 5 and promote Chad Steiner from Skilled Laborer Grade 75, Step 5 to Engineer Tech Grade 19, Step 5 and seconded by Kristi Leonard. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

The next scheduled meeting date is February 14, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kristi Leonard and seconded by Jeff Williams. Voice vote with all "ayes", motion carried.

Jeff Williams
Secretary