

Green County Highway Committee

Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 9, 2023

The Green County Highway Committee met at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, October 9, 2023, at the Green County Highway Department located at 2813 6th Street, Monroe, WI.

Members Present: Chairman Harvey Mandel, Vice-Chairman Russ Torkelson, and Mark Gundlach

Members Absent: Secretary Jeff Williams and Kristi Leonard

Others Present: Commissioner Chris Narveson, Sheriff Jeff Skatrud, Jami Thomm, John Schumacher, Eric Wild, Chad Steiner

1. Call the meeting to order.
Meeting called to order by Chair Harvey Mandel at 9:00 a.m.
2. Approval of September 11, 2023 meeting minutes.
Motion to approve minutes made by Mark Gundlach and seconded by Russ Torkelson. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.
3. Audit bills.
Motion to approve September 2023 bills in the amount of \$1,101,744.06 Mark Gundlach and seconded by Russ Torkelson. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.
4. Reports from administrative staff.
General Superintendent Eric Wild advised paving is almost completed and provided a construction update.
Patrol Superintendent John Schumacher provided updates on bridge and culvert projects.
Commissioner Chris Narveson provided a shop update.
5. Review and possible action on yearly review of ATV Routes.
Discussion was held. Sheriff Skatrud provided the Committee with a 2023 ATV/UTV incident report. No action.
6. Discussion on winter brush and tree cutting for local governments.
Discussion was held on a price increase for 2023-2024.
7. Discussion and possible action on updating County Code Title 2, Highway Access, Additional Requirements.
Discussion was held on revising 3-6-5-6: B to increase the minimum from 24 feet to 30 feet requirement and an additional inspection fee of \$100.00. A motion was made by Mark Gundlach to approve the changes and seconded by Russ Torkelson. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.
8. Discussion and possible action on installing additional stop sign, stop ahead sign and rumble strips at CTH N located south of STH 81.
The Committee was advised that the Traffic Safety Commission made a motion in the September meeting of recommendation to install an additional stop sign and install rumble strips on CTH N (North). Discussion was held on installing an additional stop ahead sign. A motion was made by Mark Gundlach to approve the additional signs and rumble strips and seconded by Russ Torkelson. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.
9. Review and possible action on request for 'Hidden Driveway' sign on CTH A.
Discussion was held. A motion was made by Mark Gundlach to approve the hidden driveway sign and seconded by Russ Torkelson. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.

10. Discussion and possible action on reducing speed limit from 55 mph to 45 mph on CTH F at Decatur Dairy and placing a truck entrance sign on the East bound lane.
Discussion was held. A motion was made by Russ Torkelson to approve the reduced speed limit to 45 mph and seconded by Mark Gundlach. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.
11. Discussion and possible action of replacing yield signs to stop signs on CTH OK and CTH F intersections.
Discussion was held. A motion was made by Russ Torkelson to approve the yield signs to stop signs and seconded by Jeff Williams. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.
12. Discussion and possible action on designating CTH FF as Class "B" highway.
Discussion was held on the WisDOT A.R.I.P. Commissioner Chris Narveson reported that for a local road to be eligible for the program it must be posted as a Class B. A motion was made by Mark Gundlach to approve the Class B posting and seconded by Russ Torkelson. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.
13. Discussion and possible action on Patrol Superintendent attending WCHA Professional Development & Leadership Conference on December 5-6, 2023 in Wausau, WI with an overnight stay.
Discussion was held. A motion was made by Russ Torkelson to approve the overnight stay and seconded by Mark Gundlach. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.
14. Highway Commissioner report: Chris Narveson.
 - a. **Committee was provided with a Wheel Tax Summary.**
 - b. **Update on maintenance position.**
 - c. **Update on Mechanic job posting.**
 - d. **Update on CDL training.**
 - e. **Engineer drawing pdate on New Glarus shop.**
15. Next scheduled meeting date is Monday, November 13, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.
16. Adjourn.
A motion was made by Jeff Williams to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Russ Torkelson. Voice vote with all "ayes"; motion carried.