



MINUTES
Eau Claire County • Committee on Highway
Thursday, February 11, 2016 / 6:15 am
Highway Department Meeting Room 101 • 2000 Spooner Avenue, Altoona, WI 54720

Members Present: Chairman Ray Henning, Vice Chairman Steve Chilson, Supervisor Kathy Clark, Supervisor Pat LaVelle, Supervisor Katy Forsythe

Member Absent:

Staff Present: Jon Johnson Highway Commissioner; Rich Walthers Patrol Superintendent; Michael Donaldson, Office Associate; Rod Thorson, Highway Engineer, James Scheffler, Engineering Technician, Lucas Budden – DOT, Matt Thorson --DOT

Other Present: Glory Adams

1. Call meeting to order

Chairman Henning called the meeting to order at 6:15 a.m.

2. Confirmation of meeting notice - Review

Meeting notice confirmed.

3. January 14, 2016 Committee Minutes - Review/Discussion/Action

Motion: Supervisor LaVelle moved to approve minutes. Motion carried 5-0

4. Public comment

Glory Adams spoke on current legislation proposing all Wisconsin counties incorporate referendums concerning road fixes.

5. DOT Hobbs road and CTH I bridge structures - Discussion

Lucas Budden and Matt Thorson from Wisconsin DOT spoke on the proposal to replace the existing bridges on Hobbs Road and CTH I over IH 94 in Eau Claire County in 2018. DOT is meeting with the town of Washington next week. Plans are to construct both bridges in the same construction season but one at a time.

6. Equipment financing – Discussion/Review

Jon Johnson went over the presentation on equipment financing options which will be presented to finance later in the day. Presentation went through several different scenarios and analysis of current cost of fleet through purchase versus finance/lease. Analysis broke down total cost per truck currently versus total cost utilizing a municipal lease in which the county would own the vehicle at lease conclusion. Lease program allows the Highway department flexibility to manage leases and make decision on keeping trucks longer or shorter based on market conditions. A future meeting may occur combining Highway and Financing to discuss.

7. Policy & procedures manual; Driveway permits, Public right of way, Vision Triangles – Discussion/Review

Jon Johnson and Jim Scheffler went through driveway permits portion of the policy and procedures manual that is currently being updated. Items such as spacing, number of access points, maximum surface width of access and permit fee schedule were discussed. Continued review and discussion will occur in upcoming meetings.

8. **Payment vouchers (1.22.16, 1.29.16) – Review**

The committee reviewed the payment vouchers.

9. **Staff and committee reports – Discuss**

Commissioner Jon Johnson spoke on the following:

- Attended a meeting with the Town of Wilson. Application of a 50/50 culvert failure was applied for in which half the cost will be provided by the Highway department.
- Focus on transparency with public meetings being held with townships to share in projects.
- Townships and Amish community have committed to working together to address the feces on the roadways from Amish horses.
- Applying for a federal grant for wetland mitigation.

10. **Future meeting dates, times, and agenda items – Discuss**

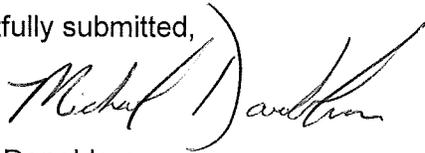
Future dates: Thursday, March 3rd, 2016 – 6:15 a.m.

Thursday, March 17th, 2016 – 6:15 a.m.

11. **Adjourn**

Motion by Supervisor Clark to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 a.m. Motion carried 5-0.

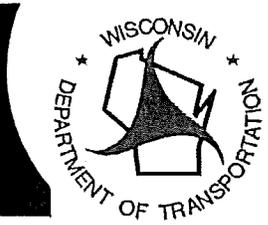
Respectfully submitted,



Michael Donaldson
Highway Department Office Associate
Approved 3/3/16

Hobbs Road & CTH I Bridges

Eau Claire – Osseo, Eau Claire County



The Wisconsin Department of Transportation is proposing to replace the existing bridges on Hobbs Road and CTH I over IH 94 in Eau Claire County in 2018.

Project Information

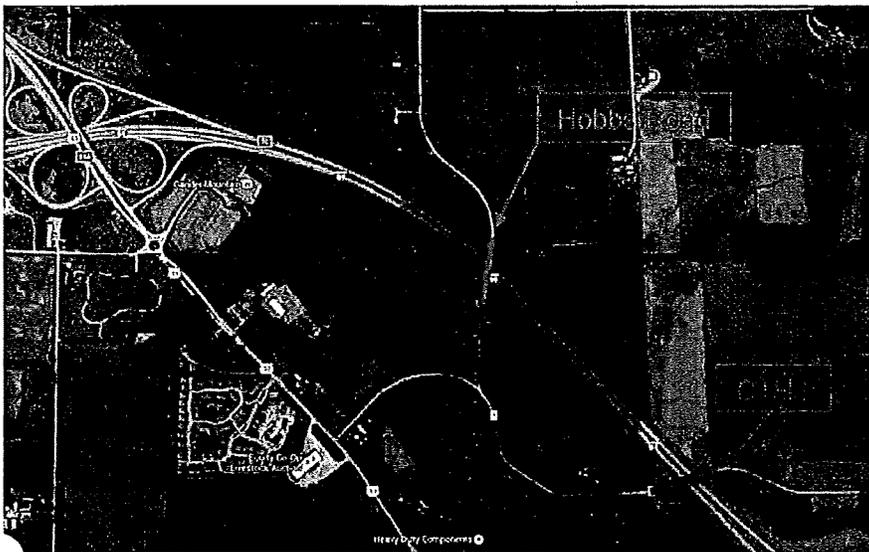
The project will involve removal of the existing bridges on Hobbs Road and CTH I over IH 94 and replacing with new bridges. The new bridges will be raised to improve vertical clearance for IH 94 traffic, and lengthened to accommodate a future six-lane interstate. Right-of-Way will need to be acquired due to the road profile adjustments.

Other details of the project include:

- Signing
- Pavement Marking
- Grading Operations and Approach Work

Traffic Impact

I-94 will have single lane closures to facilitate removal and construction of the bridges. Hobbs Road and CTH I will be closed to traffic during construction. However, work will only be allowed on one bridge at a time to minimize the impact to local traffic.



Project Schedule:

February 2018: Project Letting

Summer 2018: Construction Start

Fall 2018: Construction Complete

For additional information about the project, contact:

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