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Eau Claire County • Committee on Highway

Thursday, Sept 15th, 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 Carl Anton, Supervisor Katy Forsythe

Staff Present: Jon Johnson, Highway Commissioner; Rich Walthers, Highway Superintendent; Michael Donaldson, Administrative Associate

Other Present: Brandon and Desi Adkins

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. **September 1st Committee Meeting Minutes - Review/Discussion/Action**

Motion: Supervisor Clark to approve meeting minutes. Motion carried 5-0

4. **Public comment**

Brandon and Desi Adkins attended and spoke of a water problem occurring on their property. They expressed that the work done, widening and increasing the height of the road on CTH II in front of their house that occurred in a prior year, has resulted in water issues possibly caused by excess runoff in the ditch area. The couple hired a public engineer to evaluate the problem and he recommended that the ditch in front of the residence be restructured with a French drainage system which may alleviate some of the water problems. The engineer also recommended a skirt drain around the house as well as a sump pump in the basement. The couple is requesting the French drainage system be considered to be completed by the Highway department prior to winter.

-Supervisor Forsythe left the meeting

5. **Winter maintenance fund – Discussion/Action**

Commissioner Johnson presented a resolution draft to amend ordinance 140-90, 1996.

Motion: Supervisor Clark motioned to move forward with resolution. Motion carried 4-0

6. **Fall Road Tour – Discussion/Action**

Committee finalized the Fall Road Tour for Tuesday, October 25th from 8am to Noon

7. **Staff and committee reports – Discussion/Action**

Commissioner Jon Johnson spoke on:

- Less consulting as more is being done internal causing some reduction in cost
- Budget process: presented cost reduction through innovation, different construction process, and paperless timecards.

Highway Superintendent Rich Walthers spoke on:

- Construction projects are on schedule for completion: CTH KK and CTH HH
- Contractor has been lined up for highway striping

8. Payment of Vouchers (9/9/2016) – Review

The vouchers were reviewed.

9. Future meeting dates, times, and agenda items – Discussion/Action

Future dates:

- Thursday, Oct 6th, 2016 – 6:15 a.m.
- Tuesday, Oct 25th, 2016 (Road Tour) – 8:00 a.m. to Noon

10. Adjourn

Motion by Supervisor Anton to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 a.m. Motion carried 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

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Approved 10/6/16