

**Lincoln County Highway Committee**  
**Minutes of Tuesday, February 17, 2009 – 8:00 a.m.**  
**Commissioner's Office - Merrill**

Members Present: Bob Lee, Richard Berndt, John Bailey, Arlene Meyer, and Graham Rankin  
Visitors: Randy Scholz, Sarah Olson, Jason Lemmer, and Jerry Jagmin.

1. **Call Meeting to Order:**

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Lee.

2. **Budget/Project Proposal for Stimulus Financing**

History: Scholz was at a WCHA Safety and Training Committee in Portage County on the previous Tuesday, and found out that there may be Federal Stimulus money available for Counties if the right project is available. Project needs to be a major collector, and conform to the 3-R standard. CTH CC seems to qualify for a pulverize and overlay.

Central Wisconsin Engineering was contacted to see if an estimate/design of the project can be done and submitted for approval in time. They were able to get it done and submitted, with the only concern being an unresolved environmental issue from 1973. The Highway Department will be notified by Friday (2/20/09) or Monday (2/23/09) if the project has been approved to use stimulus money. The estimated cost of the project is \$700,000, and construction will be totally funded by the Stimulus Package.

2009 budget money will be available to cover the cost of the estimate through excess money in the GTA (\$20,220) and money budgeted for the County H Bridge construction (\$27,195) which is to be also covered by the Stimulus Package.

Motion made by Rankin, seconded by Meyer to allow Scholz to sign a contract with Central Wisconsin Engineering, if the project is approved, not to exceed \$42,100. All ayes.

3. **Adjourn** - Motion by Meyer, seconded by Berndt to adjourn at 8:20 a.m. All ayes. Motion carried.