

Lincoln Co. Highway Committee
Minutes of Thursday, February 8, 2007 – 7:30 a.m.
Commissioner’s Office – Merrill

Members Present: Robert Lussow, Graham Rankin, Bob Lee, Arlene Meyer

Member Absent: Wayne Plant

Visitors: Randy Scholz, Sarah Olson, Jerry Jagmin, Jason Lemmer,
Linda Rhinehart and Brian Sladek

1. **Call Meeting to Order:**
Meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. by Chairman Lussow.
2. **Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting:**
Motion by Lee, seconded by Rankin, to approve the minutes of the last meeting as printed. All ayes. Motion carried.
3. **Financial Report:**
Sarah Olson reviewed financial reports. Meyer expressed her appreciation to Sarah regarding the content and how easy the reports are to understand.
4. **Set Future Meetings:**
March 1, 2007, Thursday, 7:30 a.m., Tomahawk City Hall – Tomahawk
April 12, 2007, Thursday, 7:30 a.m., Commissioner’s Office – Merrill
5. **Claims:**
None
6. **Public Comment:**
None
7. **Discuss/Action Re: Request from ATV Club:**
Randy stated the Club had withdrawn the request.
(The Committee proceeded to Item 9 at this time)
8. **Discuss/Action Re: Mutual Aid Agreement – Brian Sladek:**
Brian Sladek addressed the Committee in regard to establishing a mutual aid agreement with Townships and Cities in our County. The plan, endorsed by the Federal government would be written so that participating entities could recoup costs in the event of unforeseen emergencies, i.e. flood, dam failure, etc. The Committee endorsed the formulation of a draft agreement with a motion by Lee, seconded by Lussow to go forward with a Mutual Aid Agreement. All ayes. Motion carried.
9. **Discuss/Action Re: 2006 Budget Modification:**
Sarah explained all modifications to the 2006 budget. Motion by Rankin, seconded by Lee to approve budget modifications for 2006. All ayes. Motion carried.
10. **Discuss/Action Re: Work Zone Safety Week Resolution:**
Randy explained the purpose and need for the work zone safety resolution. The Committee unanimously supported the resolution establishing the week of April 2nd through April 6th as Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” with a motion by Lee, seconded by Lussow to forward it to the County Board. All ayes. Motion carried.

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11. **Report of Highway Superintendents:**

Jason Lemmer reported that the crew has been busy with winter maintenance, cutting brush and getting ready for summer.

Jerry Jagmin gave the Committee printouts showing current frost tube levels and snow amounts received to date. The Committee felt the printouts were informative. He stated the crew has begun crack filling. Also has summer paving work lined up.

12. **Commissioner's Report on Highway Operations:**

a. Safety Update – Randy handed out the frequency and severity chart.

b. Report on Winter Highway Conference – Randy related some of the topics covered at the conference. V&H had our new quad axle on display and want to display the cab over truck when it is finished.

There was also discussion on the Frozen Road Law and how it will affect bridges in the County. The concern is that the bridges will not be able to accommodate winter weight loads and must be posted. If they are not posted we would not be able to get funding for them when they are in need of replacement. Some consulting companies such as MSA will do an assessment which will cost approx. \$40/bridge. Signing will cost approx. \$400/bridge. Lincoln County has 14 bridges that may need to be posted with a total of 33.

c. Commissioner Scholz stated that the right of way plats have been scanned and put on a CD which will be very helpful when info is needed and far less time consuming.

13. **Adjourn:**

Motion by Rankin, seconded by Lee, to adjourn at 8:37 a.m. All ayes. Motion carried.