

**Lincoln County Highway Committee**  
**Minutes of Thursday, June 7, 2007 – 7:30 a.m.**  
**Commissioner's Office - Merrill**

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

Member Absent:

Visitors: Randy Scholz, Sarah Olson, Jerry Jagmin, Linda Rhinehart, Scott Gabrich, Audrey Jensen 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(s):**  
Motion by Rankin, seconded by Plant to approve the minutes of the last meeting as printed. All ayes. Motion carried.
3. **Financial Report:**  
Financial reports were reviewed and placed on file.
4. **Set Future Meetings:**  
Summer Highway Conference – June 11, 12 & 13, 2007 – Kalahari Resort – WI Dells  
July 5, 2007, Thursday, 7:30 a.m., Tomahawk City Hall – Tomahawk  
August 2, 2007, Thursday, 7:30 a.m., Commissioner's Office - Merrill
5. **Claims:**  
None
6. **Public Comment:**  
Bob Lee questioned money to be received from the North Forestry Project funding.  
Randy stated he would find out more at the Summer Hwy. Conference.  
Graham related a concern regarding the County doing repair of equipment for Towns.  
Randy stated that there may be a liability issue and may need disclaimers.  
At this time the Committee moved to Item #12.
7. **Discuss/Action Re: Mutual Aid Agreement:**  
Brian Sladek talked to the Committee about putting together a formal plan to be offered to Townships in the event of an emergency situation. Brian will review info again with Corporation Counsel and it will be offered to all Townships leaving the option to sign to each individual Town. The consensus of the Committee was to move forward to formulate the agreement and bring back for formal approval later this summer.
8. **Discuss/Action Re: Purchase of Mowers:**  
Randy stated that our mowers are in pretty rough shape and replacement costs were checked on some time back. The mowers quoted were \$6,300 per mower. The cost will be much higher if we wait and the Committee agreed the savings was substantial. Motion by Rankin, seconded by Meyer to approve the purchase of mowers. All ayes. Motion carried.

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9. **Discuss/Action Re: C.I.P.:**  
Sarah explained the C.I.P. request of \$205,750 and noted that Finance Director, Dan Leydet would like projects prioritized. The Committee will leave prioritizing to the discretion of the Commissioner. Motion by Lee, seconded by Plant to forward C.I.P. request to Finance. All ayes. Motion carried.
10. **Discuss/Action Re: Entrance Permits:**  
Randy stated there are some issues that need to be clarified on entrance permits. This issue will be brought back at the end of the summer for changes or clarifications.
11. **Discuss Bridge Postings:**  
The Commissioner stated the info has been received from MSA showing which bridges will need to be posted. There are 10 Township bridges and 6 County bridges that will need to be posted. The Committee asked that the Commissioner get the information out as soon as possible to give advance warning of the postings.
12. **Discuss/Action Re: Name Change for County Road M:**  
Audrey Jensen from Land Information appeared to address the possibility of changing the name of a portion of County Road M to County Road MM. Currently addresses can be duplicated causing a great deal of confusion for emergency services, mail, etc. It affects addresses in the Towns of Corning, Scott and Harding. The area would be from the New Wood Tap, south to STH 107. The Townships will get approval from their Board's first and then bring it back to this Committee. The Committee also felt that land owners should be advised and invited to a meeting regarding the change.
13. **Discuss/Action: Request to Advertise for Supervisor Truck:**  
The Commissioner stated the request was for Jerry's truck which currently has 150,000 miles. The Patrol Superintendent vehicle is paid 70% by the State. Motion by Lee, Seconded by Rankin to authorize advertising for truck for the Patrol Superintendent. All ayes. Motion carried.
14. **Report of Highway Superintendents:**  
Superintendents were not at the meeting. Jerry is working on about a 2 mile project on STH 8.  
Jason was unable to attend due to illness.
15. **Commissioner's Report on Highway Operations:**
  - a. Safety Update – Frequency and Severity – 2 reports last month.  
Confined Space Team Update – Doing very well
  - b. Highway Salt Update – Randy stated 1,900 tons of salt are ordered with 500 tons on reserve. Cost was up 8.5%.
  - c. Summer Projects – CTH X – Grinding, paving and overlay  
CTH Z – Culverts and grinding  
Summer help has started at both shops.  
Bob Lussow questioned the CTH Y Railroad crossing, advising that it is getting worse.
16. **Adjourn:**  
Motion by Rankin, seconded by Plant to adjourn at 8:52 a.m. All ayes. Motion carried.