

Lincoln County Highway Committee
Minutes of Thursday, September 3, 2015 – 7:30 a.m.
Commissioner's Office - 100 Cooper Street, Merrill, WI

Members Present: Bob Lee, R. Wayne Plant, Carl Vander Sanden and Kortney Pike,
Kevin Koth excused
Visitors: Mike VanDeWeerd, Mike Warber, Heather Marheine, Jason Lemmer, Jeff Weber

Call Meeting to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) Motion made by Vander Sanden, Seconded by Plant to approve August minutes as written. All Ayes. Motion Carried. Motion made by Plant, Seconded by Pike to approve July minutes with a correction to who made the motion on agenda item #12. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Set Future Meetings(s):

Thursday, November 5, 2015 @ 7:30 a.m., Commissioner's Office, Merrill

Thursday, December 3, 2015 @ 7:30 a.m., Commissioner's Office, Merrill

Claims (If Any): None

Public Comment: None

Financial Report: VanDeWeerd and Marheine discussed. Motion made by Plant, Seconded by Pike to place report on file. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approve North Central Region Fall meeting Attendance and Per Diem: Legislative meeting to be held in Marathon County on Friday October 23, 2015. Motion by Lee, Seconded by Vander Sanden to approve the attendance and per diem. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Team Building: Motion made by Pike, Seconded by Plant to approve the team building event as presented and to have the Highway Department pay food expenses. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dead Deer Pick up: VanDeWeerd discussed the different options available due to budget cuts making the DNR not able to pay this any further. Motion made by Vander Sanden, Seconded by Pike to have the Highway Department crew pick up the deer. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Replacement of Authorized positions (Highway Worker): VanDeWeerd explained one request is to replace Wydeven, the second is for a January 2, 2016 retirement. Motion made by Vander Sanden, Seconded by Pike to send both requests to the Personal Committee meeting on September 14, 2015 then to advertise as soon as possible if approved. All Ayes. Motion Carried

Early Buy Back Option (CAT Graders): VanDeWeerd explained these are for the two 2011 Graders and the options and values given to replace now or next year. Motion made by Vander Sanden, Seconded by Pike to pass on both buy backs for now. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Water Truck – Replacement of unit 174: VanDeWeerd talked with the insurance adjuster Wednesday, September 2, 2015 and was informed the truck will be a total loss. He also presented a couple of options for replacement. Motion by Pike, Seconded by Vander Sanden to purchase one of the options barring Warber runs the vin number and the truck comes back with a clean record. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CTH CC Bridge Jurisdiction (B-35-076): VanDeWeerd discussed he found in previous minutes the county may be responsible for this bridge. Information was requested from the state for their records on this issue. This item will be brought back to the October 2015 Highway Committee meeting.

Report by Superintendents

a. **Monthly Progress Report** – Weber, Lemmer and Warber updated the committee on the projects.

Commissioner's Report on Highway Operations:

b. **Update on Equipment** – VanDeWeerd discussed rumble strips update and the used Western Star purchased

c. **Update on Highway Operations** – VanDeWeerd informed the committee the WCHA formed a work zone safety committee and that VanDeWeerd and Scholz will be participating in the discussions.

Adjourn: Motion made by Vander Sanden, Seconded by Pike to Adjourn at 8:25 a.m.

Respectfully written and submitted by Mike VanDeWeerd and Heather Marheine