

COMMITTEE APPROVED

Present: Jerry Biller, Lyle Lieftring, Ken Pedersen, Mike Hraban, Robert Stout

Also Present: Scott Emch, Nanci Mertes, Andy Albarado, Don Mansky.

Call Meeting to Order.

Highway Chair Jerry Biller called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Approval of Minutes – September 17, 2018 and October 3, 2018.

A Lieftring/Hraban motion to approve the minutes of September 17, 2018 and October 3, 2018. Motion Carried.

Public Comment.

Don Mansky asked about right of way land located at CTH "H" and Meadow dam Road.

Update – All Terrain Vehicles (QTV and utility Terrain Vehicles (UTV) – Crossing US hwy 8 Bridge over Chippewa River.

No Discussion.

Approve – amend the Rusk County ATV Ordinance to allow ATV/UTV crossing over the Chippewa River on USH 8.

A Lieftring/Hraban motion to approve the Ordinance to allow ATV/UTV crossing over the Chippewa River on USH 8. Motion Carried.

Amendment to Land Lease Contract – 56 Acres.

The Highway Department leases 56 acres to Dale Beissel and Mr. Beissel has complained that there is open hunting on the leased land which is causing problems with his crops and equipment. Discussion followed.

A Pedersen/Hraban motion to request Corporate Council opinion for the Highway Department to enact a "No Hunting" restriction on all Highway Department active and inactive mining land. Motion Carried.

Authorize filling two open Truck Driver positions.

A Lieftring/Stout motion to fill two Laborer positions. Motion Carried.

Approve Out of County Travel.

A Lieftring/Stout motion to approve out of county travel for:

Troy Lybert and Joshua Dicus attendance at the University of Wisconsin, Platteville for Highway Technician Certification scheduled for 2/25/19 through 2/28/2019.

Nanci Mertes, Deb Fetting, and Marlon Parker attendance at the 2018 Annual Office Manager's Training in Washburn County on 11/5/2018.

Committee Attendance at the 2019 Winter Road School Highway Conference January 14, 15, & 16, 2019.

Motion Carried.

Driveway Variance – Ntera on CTH "D".

The Highway Commissioner reviewed with the Committee the need for a variance approval for the Ntera driveway entrance. The Committee reviewed pictures of the requested driveway area.

A Stout/Hraban motion to approve the driveway variance for Ntera. Motion Carried.

Update on Blacktop Plant purchase.

The Committee reviewed and discussed the "Acquisition of Blacktop Plant" resolution approved by the County Board at their last County Board meeting.

A Lieftring/Pedersen motion to postpone this discussion until the November meeting. Motion Carried.

HIGHWAY SAFETY REPORT

Nothing new to report.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER REPORT

This report includes the status of Highway equipment and Highway projects.

HIGHWAY FINANCIAL REPORT.

This report includes the current status of Highway Cash, Payables, Receivables, Equipment/Blacktop Plant funds and current Year-to-Date Fund Statement.

HIGHWAY OFFICE REPORT.

This report includes the status of workers compensation claims, liability insurance, office personnel activity, crew updates, retirements, unemployment claims and number of Highway FMLA requests.

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE- ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Announcements.

Approve payment of bills.

A Liefkring/Pedersen motion to approve the Highway Payables and the Highway Crew and Administration payrolls as presented. Motion Carried.

Set date for next highway committee meeting.

The next regular Highway Committee meeting is set for November 26, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. at the Rusk County Highway Department.

Motion to adjourn.

A Liefkring/Stout motion to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Nanci Mertes, Highway Financial Administrator and distributed on November 27, 2018.