

January 09, 2012

The regular meeting of the Highway Committee was called to order by Chair Eugene Henke at 9:00 AM on Monday, January 09, 2012. The requirements of the Open Meeting Law were certified as being met.

Present: Eugene Henke  
Alma Hedberg  
Donald Peters  
Paul Schwandt

Absent:

Others Present: Robert Podgorski, Highway Commissioner  
Becky Pence, Administrative Assistant  
Chuck Buss, Patrol Superintendent  
Duane Prachel, County Superintendent  
Margaret Whirry, Alternate  
Dan Priske, Chair County Board  
Joanne Guden, Supervisor County Board  
Gene Kussart, Donahue & Associates  
Keith Nikolay, Ayres Associates, Inc.  
Mike Lehner, Lehner Law Office  
Paul Renaud, Resident City of Green Lake  
Lauree Renaud, Resident City of Green Lake  
Bonnie Podgorski, Resident City of Oshkosh

#### **Agenda**

*Motion/second (Hedberg/Peters)* to approve the Agenda. Motion Carried.

#### **Minutes**

*Motion/second (Hedberg/Schwandt)* to approve the meeting Minutes of December 12, 2011 with correction to Committee Discussion held on not contributing 10% for township on STP Program. Motion Carried.

#### **Public Comments**

Lauree Renaud appeared to announce running for candidate for City of Green Lake.

#### **Correspondence**

John Selsing Letter Dated 12/15/11 regarding David Affeldt, et. Al. vs. Green Lake County; TDA \$200.00 Membership Dues.

#### **Appearances**

Gene Kussart, Donahue & Associates spoke about the STP Project on CTH D and Kingston Bridge and requested to be on the list for Engineering design.

#### **Monthly Vouchers**

*Motion/second (Hedberg/Schwandt)* to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$168,436.80 (2011) and \$4,852.45 (2012). Motion Carried.

#### **Commissioner's Report**

Robert Podgorski reported the crew finished snow fencing state and county; tree clean-up; patching county & state roads; worked on State Wayside; county shoulder/surface maintenance; plowed/ice control state and county; and had safety training. Crash data consisted of 38 deer, 3 other, 8 weather, and 7 county damage reports.

Peters commented that he would like to have a "wish list" added to the report indicating what you expect to do in 30, 60, 90 days.

**DOT Request for Services** None

**STH 23 Reconstruction Project ID 1430-00-74/1431-02-72**

In accordance with letters submitted to WISDOT, Green Lake County is requesting to work with WISDOT on the STH 23 Project and to extend the CTH A intersection; also requesting that the small islands at STH 23/49 and CTH A be removed from design plans due to safety and accessibility for wide loads turning north onto STH 49 and South onto CTH A.

Podgorski said the state is going to change that intersection and will pay for the design, and the county would pay for everything else.

***Motion/second (Peters/Schwandt)*** to apply for Project ID 1430-00-74/1431-02-72 and to get a cost estimate, and to include in the field road review in February. Motion Carried.

**On Call Engineering**

Keith Nikolay, Ayres Associates, Inc. appeared to present the General Agreement for Professional Services for Green Lake County On-Call Engineering Services to retain consultant from time to time to perform certain professional services.

***Motion/second (Peters/Hedberg)*** to accept the General Agreement for Professional Services for 2012 with addition of a clause to have the option to opt out depending on the new Commissioner. Motion Carried.

**Town of Marquette – Fuel**

Town of Marquette is requesting to purchase fuel from Green Lake County.

***Motion/second (Peters/Schwant)*** to approve Town of Marquette to purchase fuel from Green Lake County. Motion Carried.

**Equipment Analysis**

The Committee reviewed the Equipment Analysis Report.

**Financial Reports-Accounts Receivable, Expenditures, and Revenues**

The Committee reviewed the December Financial Reports for Highway.

**Highway Improvement Plan** None

**Railroad Consortium**

Peters will attend the January 11, 2012 meeting.

**Field Road Review** None

**Closed Session**

***Motion/Second (Peters/Schwandt)*** to convene in closed session per ss19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; ss19.85(1)(g) conferring with legal counsel for the governing body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. The closed session relates to employee evaluation(s), and to David Affeldt, et. Al. vs. Green Lake County Case No.: 08CV92. Roll-Call Vote, 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

**Resume Open Session**

***Motion/Second (Peters/Hedberg)*** to resume open session. Roll-Call Vote, 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

**Discussion and Possible Action on Matters Discussed In Closed Session Relating to employee**

**evaluations and David Affeldt, et. Al. vs. Green Lake County Case No.: 08CV92**

There were no employee evaluations reviewed.

Mike Lehner of Lehner Law office appeared to explain and answer questions on behalf of Dan Sondalle, the appointed interim Corporation Counsel regarding Case No. 08CV92, David Affeldt, et. Al. vs. Green Lake County. Correspondence from John Selsing was included in the committee member packets.

**Committee Discussion**

Motion/second was made at the Personnel Meeting on December 22, 2011 that Chuck Buss, Patrol Superintendent will be appointed the interim Commissioner, Duane Prachel, County Superintendent will fill in for Chuck Buss's duties on the State, and Becky Pence, Administrative Assistant will assume the office functions effective February 2, 2012 until the process of hiring a commissioner is completed.

Hiring of the vacant Commissioner position was discussed.

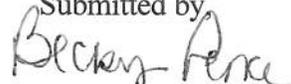
Peters will attend the WCHA Winter Conference at Wisconsin Dells in the absence of Chair, Eugene Henke January 16, 17, and 18, 2012.

Peters requested the Committee Meeting date and time be changed in order to accommodate all supervisors.

- **Future agenda items for action and discussion:**
  - Ayres On-Call Engineering Agreement
  - STP Engineering Short List
  - TDA Membership Dues
  - David Affeldt, et. Al. vs. Green Lake County Case No. 08CV92
  - Culvert Bid Opening
  - Discuss Asphalt/Pulverizing Bids
  - Committee Meeting Date and Time Change
  - Field Road Review STH 23 Reconstruction Project 1430-00-74/1431-02-72
  
- **Regular meeting date: February 13, 2012 at 9:00 AM**

**Adjournment**

*Motion/second (Peters/Schwandt)* to adjourn at 11:15 PM. Motion carried.

Submitted by  
  
Becky Pence  
Secretary