

**August 10, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Highway Committee was called to order by Chair Paul Schwandt at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, August 10, 2016. The requirements of the Open Meeting Law were certified as being met.

Present: Paul Schwandt Absent: Rich Slate  
Vicki Bernhagen

Others Present: Amy Brooks, Highway Commissioner  
Becky Pence, Administrative Assistant  
Aaron Wagner, Patrol Superintendent  
Dawn Klockow, Corporation Counsel  
Lauree & Paul Renaud, Green Lake Greenways  
Dr. Thomas Kloosterboer, Resident Town of Green Lake  
Tony Daley, Berlin Newspapers  
Tracy Swayze

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Election of Vice Chair**

*Motion/second (Schwandt/Bernhagen)* to cast unanimous ballot for Supervisor Bernhagen to Vice Chair. Motion Carried. Supervisor Bernhagen declared elected as Vice Chair to the Highway Committee.

**Agenda**

*Motion/second (Bernhagen/Schwandt)* to approve the Agenda. Motion Carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

*/Motion/Second (Bernhagen/Schwandt)* to approve the minutes of 07/13/16 as corrected. Motion Carried.

**Correspondence** None

**Public Comment**

Dr. Tom Kloosterboer, resident Town of Green Lake advocate for safe biking, stated that since last meeting one bicycle fatality occurred in Madison, and another bicycle/car accident occurred on CTH T in Green Lake County. There are ways to allocate money toward surfacing roads, such as the savings on oil prices are at an all-time low; asphalt is less than half the cost from 2 years ago; ditch mowing is not necessary, mow around intersections only; take out low interest loans; or extend the sales tax to do the infrastructure.

**Appearances**

Lauree Renaud, Green Lake Greenway thanked Bernhagen and Brooks for attending the WisDOT telephone conference.

**Ad Hoc Committee Recommendation for Developing Bike Plan**

Chair Schwandt recommends Judge Slate, Scott Weir, Vicki Bernhagen, Amy Brooks, Mark Podoll or Mark Putzke, Lauree Renaud, and Dr. Thomas Kloosterboer for the Ad Hoc Committee in developing a Bike Plan. Marge Bostelmann volunteered as Secretary. If approved by the Highway Committee, the recommendation is given to the County Board Chair for approval. Renaud suggested Melaine Simpkins of Green Lake County Health and Human Services also be considered.

*Motion/second (Bernhagen/Schwandt)* to approve Chair Schwandt's recommendation with consideration of Melaine Simpkins, and to forward to Reabe, County Board Chair for final approval. Motion Carried.

**Monthly Vouchers**

*Motion/Second (Bernhagen/Schwandt)* to approve the vouchers for \$139,946.54. Motion Carried.

## **Financial Reports**

Financial reports were reviewed.

## **Building Maintenance/Highway Department**

Discussion held on meeting with the Maintenance Department to see if smaller duties can be re-absorbed by Maintenance in order for the Highway Department to allocate money into repairing building items from a safety standpoint.

## **Snow Plow Contract, Town of Manchester**

*Motion/second (Bernhagen/Schwandt)* to approve the Snow Plow Contract, Town of Manchester. Motion Carried.

## **Limited Term Employee**

Discussion held on looking into summer and possible winter Limited Term Employee's.

## **6 Year Highway Improvement Plan**

*Motion/second (Bernhagen/Schwandt)* to approve the 6 Year Highway Improvement Plan as presented.

## **2017 Revised Budget**

The original 2017 Budget was approved with a zero increase as presented with consideration to request an increase to the tax levy in order to complete more road projects.

The 2017 revised budget has been increased by \$423,422.66 to accommodate the shortfall in order to complete all the 2017 projects listed on the 6-Year Highway Improvement Plan (2017-2022).

*Motion/second (Bernhagen/Schwandt)* to approve the 2017 Revised Budget

## **WCHA-LDG Annual Road School, September 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016**

*Motion/second (Bernhagen/Schwandt)* to approve Wagner and Sternitske to attend the WCHA-LDG Annual Road School, on September 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 in Green Bay, WI. Motion Carried.

## **WisDOT/Chemspro Annual Training, October 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

*Motion/second (Bernhagen/Schwandt)* to approve Pence to attend the WisDOT/Chemspro Annual Training October 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in Wisconsin Dells. Motion Carried.

## **Railroad Consortium** None

## **Committee Discussion**

Committee reviewed Commissioner's Report.

Future Meeting Date: September 14, 2016.

Future Items for action and discussion: Capital Outlay Goals, Office Relocation, Road Funding Options.  
Keep better track of building/grounds

**Adjournment 6:45 pm**

Submitted by,

Becky Pence,  
Secretary Highway Committee