



## GREEN LAKE COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER

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### GREEN LAKE COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday,  
February 12, 2007 – 9:00 A.M.

**Meeting called to order** by Chairman Helmer at 9:00 A.M.

**Members present:** Orrin Helmer, Orville Biesenthal, Bob Krause, Dennis Galatowitsch, and Carol Myers.

**Member Absent:** None.

**Non-member present:** Robert Podgorski, Highway Commissioner; Michelle Burk, Cost Account Clerk; Dave Mendleski, Maintenance Department; Jerry Roeder & Erich Roeder, Casper Truck & Equipment; Troy Redfearn, Monroe Truck Equipment; Charles Swartz, Berlin Conservation Club; Wayne Banaszak, Nancy Hill, & Al Shute, Planning & Zoning Department.

**Certification of the open meeting law:** The open meeting law was met by publication in the official County newspaper.

**Approval of agenda:** Motion/Second (Myers/Galatowitsch) to approve the agenda. (5 Ayes, 0 Absent) Motion carried.

**Parks Business:** The committee discussed the Berlin Conversion Plan & the Appraisal done for the Berlin Conservation Club. Motion/ Second (Galatowitsch/Krause) to make the following corrections: On Page 29 in the appraisal book, to remove any wording stating that ATV's be allowed to use the trail. On page 6 in the Berlin Conversion, plan there should be a color key added to identify the colors used on the map. On page 50, the easement is to be relocated to the North and off the trail. In regards to page 74, there should be a meeting set up with Chris Halbur from the DNR, Gary Hanson from the DNR (Northeast Region), Jeff Hoffman from Extension, the Highway Committee, & the Berlin Conservation Club, including Mr. Reetz. The meeting should be set up at a convenient time for all parties preferably late afternoon or evening to accommodate Mr. Reetz. Finally, the County has applied for, received, and will continue to apply for grants to help fund the trail conversion. But it is understood that the Berlin Conservation Club will be responsible for matching expenditures and cost overages not covered by grants in the conversion of the Berlin Trail. Any language to the contrary within the conversion plan should be changed to conform to the above

understanding. (4 Ayes, 1 Nay, Helmer). Motion carried. Motion/ Second (Biesenthal/Krause) to re-bid the rent for the food vendor stand at Dodge Memorial Park for the months of June, July & August with a minimum bid of \$300.00 per month. (5 Ayes, 0 Absent) Motion carried. Supervisor Helmer reported that Jeff Hoffman reported to him that Chris Halbur from the DNR stated that she believed the money should be available for the boat launch this year. Motion/ Second (Galatowitsch/ Krause) to allow the geocache to be placed in Zobel Park and the GPS coordinates be sent to the Sheriff's Dept. (5 Ayes, 0 Absent) Motion carried. Motion/ Second (Galatowitsch/ Biesenthal) to remove the trees at the bottom of the sledding area in Zobel Park. (5 Ayes, 0 Absent) Motion carried. Al Shute discussed with the committee the Lawson Estates Development. Motion/ Second (Krause/ Galatowitsch) to suspend the rules and let Nancy Hill speak regarding Lawsonia Estates for Park Development. (5 Ayes, 0 Absent) Motion carried. Al Shute will be contacting the developer to have them redraw the map to include the max with a park and green space. This will be put on the agenda next month pending approval from Planning & Zoning Committee. There was no further Parks business.

**Mr. Galatowitsch was excused for 5 minutes.**

**Approval of minutes:** Motion/Second (Biesenthal/Krause) to approve the minutes with corrections for January 8, 2007. (5 Ayes/ 0 Absent) Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Nancy Hill thanked the committee for letting her speak in regard to the park development in Lawsonia Estates.

**Appearances:** Wayne Banaszak addressed the committee in regard to a driveway variance for his property on CTH F West of Berlin. After some discussion this was tabled until next month at which time Mr. Banaszak will provide a detailed map.

**Signing of vouchers:** Motion/Second (Myers/Krause) to approve 2006 vouchers for payment in the amount of \$35,475.45. (\$31,109.47 County, \$3,243.18 State, \$1,122.80 Others.) and February 2007 vouchers for payment in the amount of \$67,502.09 (\$67,036.25 County, \$465.84 State, \$0.00 Others.) (5 Ayes/ 0 Absent) Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** Mark Putzke, Chairman of The Highway Traffic Safety Committee sent a letter regarding reducing the speed limit on CTH A in the Township of Brooklyn, from Sunnyside Road to Spring Grove Road. Annelise Roti Roti is requesting permission to place a geocache in Zobel Park. Corporation Council John Selsing sent a proposed agreement between Green Lake County and Lawrence J. Brown and Raymond Jordinson and Hoover Shuttle L.L.C for the committee to review and sign. Kunkel Engineering Group sent a letter regarding replacing sanitary sewer through the fairgrounds. The Green Lake Sanitary District will be placing a new carp barrier by the County A

Bridge. The Department of Transportation has approved the CTH D project. The Division of Transportation System Development sent a letter stating that STH 44 from CTH B to STH 73 has been rescheduled to 2009, and STH 44 from the Columbia County line to Kingston has been rescheduled to 2010. North Central Region sent a letter stating that Governor Doyle has announced \$15 million increase in shared revenue for Wisconsin Counties and Municipalities, and \$66 million increase for the State Highway Maintenance Program to cover rising costs and provide safe roads for Wisconsin citizens.

**Motion/Second (Myers/Krause) to recess for lunch at noon. (5 Ayes, 0 Absent) Motion carried.**

**Meeting called to order by Chairman Helmer at 12:30 P.M, with Supervisor Galatowitsch absent.**

**Commissioner's Report:** The crews were cracksealing on CTH HH, II and FF. The crews were cutting trees on CTH B for future reconstruction and other various roads. The crews have also been out salting & plowing the roads. There has been some repair done to the salt sheds.

**Mr. Galatowitsch arrived at 12:45 P.M.**

**Discuss speed limit on CTH A:** This was tabled and will be put on the agenda for next month.

**Review sanitary sewer replacement through county property:** After discussion the committee is requesting that a representative from Kunkel Engineering Group attend the next committee meeting. This was tabled and placed on the agenda for next month.

**Review Thomas Mills Property Document:** The committee is requesting that Commissioner Podgorski check with Corporation Council & Al Shute about selling the property and report back to the committee next month.

**Bid opening for one (1) two to three yard body with tool pack and all hydraulics to meet the County specifications:**

**Monroe Truck Equipment:** \$14,620.00.

**Casper's Truck Equipment:** \$16,309.00.

Motion/Second (Myers/Biesenthal) to accept the lowest bid from Monroe Truck Equipment as long as it meets specifications and send it to Property & Insurance Committee. (5 Ayes, 0 Absent) Motion carried.

**Report on Highway Winter Conference in Wisconsin Dells:** Commissioner Podgorski gave his report on the Highway Winter Conference. Supervisor Helmer & Supervisor Galatowitsch also gave their reports on the Highway Winter Conference.

**Membership in NACE:** Motion/ Second (Krause/ Myers) to join for one year at a cost of \$120.00. (5 Ayes, 0 Absent) Motion carried.

**Review crash data and locations:** 27 reports received, 3 other, 3 weather, 21 deer versus car.

**Review Fund Balance and Equipment Analysis Reports:** The committee reviewed these two reports.

**DOT Request for services:** None.

**Move into closed session under State Statue (19.85) (1) (c) and (f) for personnel matters including evaluations.** No closed session took place.

**Field Road Review:** None

**Committee Discussion:** Motion/Second (Galatowitsch/ Myers) to authorize the signing of the agreement with the Hoover Shuttle and send to Property & Insurance for final approval. (5 Ayes, 0 Absent) Motion carried.

**Future Meeting Date:** Monday, March 12, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. at the Highway Building in Green Lake. Since there was no further business to come before the committee there was a Motion/Second (Krause/ Biesenthal) to adjourn at 2:10 P.M. (5 Ayes/ 0 Absent) Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Michelle Burk, Cost Account Clerk

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