

**Calumet County Highway Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**August 10, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by Highway Committee Chair Matthew Budde at 8:30 a.m.

Members present were: Supervisors Matthew Budde, Joseph Mueller, Ronald Dietrich, and Ty Stuckmann. Supervisor Scott Handschke was excused from this meeting.

Others Present were: Highway Commissioner, Brian Glaeser; Highway Shop Superintendent, Mike Gaskell; and Office Assistant, Lexie Lau.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**Moved** by Supervisor Joseph Muller, seconded by Supervisor Ty Stuckmann to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Moved** by Supervisor Ron Dietrich, seconded by Supervisor Joseph Mueller to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2022 Highway Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Participation:**

None

**Report of Committee Members:**

In the month of July, Highway Committee Chair Budde and Supervisor Dietrich attended the Wisconsin Counties Transportation and Steering Committee meeting. Dan Fedderly, Executive Director of the WCHA, gave a presentation on the federal and local government funding legislation. The presentation was very similar to the discussion from the WCHA Summer Road School.

**Communications:**

None

**Items for Action or Discussion:**

**A. Review Bids and Award for the Water Main/Service Upgrade at the Sherwood Facility.**

Commissioner Glaeser informed the Committee that the Department received two bids for the Sherwood Water Main/Service Upgrade. The first one was from Karls Mechanical that came in at \$40,700 and the second was from Advance Construction Inc. coming in at \$79,500. Commissioner Glaeser explained through conversations with Shop Superintendent Gaskell, the reasons why there is such a difference in total bid cost. We feel it is due to the fact that Advance Construction has a very busy schedule and would have to move quite a few projects around to fit ours. **Moved by** Supervisor Ron Dietrich to award the bid to Karls Mechanical, seconded by Supervisor Ty Stuckmann. Motion carried unanimously.

**Report of Highway Department:**

**A. Highway Commissioners Report:**

- Commissioner Glaeser provided the Committee with a handout of recent activities of the department and staff.

**B. Strategic Plan Goals and Initiatives:**

- Commissioner Glaeser informed the Committee that for the County Board Meeting on August 16, 2022 he was asked to provide goals/initiatives for the County's Strategic Plan representing transportation. His goals are as follows:
  - Dealing with higher construction costs due to the high cost of inflation.
  - The inability to purchase equipment in a timely manner due to the much higher costs and the availability of such equipment.
  - To maintain a quality staff while staying competitive with the private and public sector employees.
  - The safety of our employees is a major concern due to the high amount of distracted drivers while doing maintenance and construction activities.

**C. CTH N project Update:**

- Commissioner Glaeser explained to the Committee that the project is coming along fine and under budget. He also informed the Committee that the tentative opening of that roadway is August 29, 2022.

**D. 2022 Paving Project Update:**

- Commissioner Glaeser informed the Committee that CTH H and CTH HH projects are both completed. Commissioner Glaeser also updated the Committee that the CTH T project has been pushed back to 2023 due to a box culvert replacement that needs to be made on CTH E this fall.

**E. 2023 Budget Update:**

- Commissioner Glaeser explained to the Committee his proposal for the 2023 budget. The budget includes: Capital Equipment outlay: replacing the current sign truck, replacing the Highway Road Superintendent truck, and replacement of a double wing plow truck; Building and Facility Upgrades: replacement of the six overhead doors at the Sherwood Facility, upgrade of the Fuel Management System, and acquiring an iron worker machine; Capital Improvement Projects: CTH T from Honeymoon Hill Rd to Danes Rd- pulverize and pave, CTH Y from Park St to Breed Street reconstruction, CTH G BIL project from STH 32/57 to E. Jefferson- pulverize and pave, CTH E from STH 57 to Long Rd- pulverize and pave, CTH X street reconstruction and pipe replacement, and pipe replacements for CTH JJ, Q, D and A.

**F. WCHA Updates:**

- Commissioner Glaeser informed the Committee on WCHA updates that were reported at his last NE Region Commissioners meeting. There has been a desire to use the WCHA in monitoring and providing leadership with the local federal program. More details will follow.

**Set Next Meeting Date:**

The next meeting of the Highway Committee is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. at the Calumet County Highway Dept. at 241 E. Chestnut Street, Chilton WI 53014.

**Adjournment:** Being that there is no further business Highway Committee Chair Budde adjourned the meeting at 10:05 a.m.



Recording Secretary

Lexie Lau, Highway Department Office Assistant

These minutes HAVE BEEN approved by the Highway Committee