

Price County Highway & Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: August 15, 2019

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI 54555

Meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Larry Palecek, Committee Chairperson. Roll Call: Present: Bruce Jilka, Larry Palecek, Jordan Spacek, William Teeters, Dennis Wartgow. Also present: Nick Trimner, Joe Baratka, Mike Brill, Vance Pollitt, Carrie Kyle

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Public Comment: None
 2. Minutes June 14, 2019 meeting: Motion Jilka/Teeters to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
 3. County Highway W Causeway Update: Project is on schedule. Final structure plans came in. David Salstad from the firm handling the right-of-way purchase will be talking to land owners regarding the possible option of a temporary easement. The ad for project bids will be published November 25th with bids due by December 12th and a let date of December 19th. Motion by Spacek/Teeters to set the project completion date in the bids for June 26, 2020. Motion carried.
 4. 2020 Highway Department Equipment and Facilities Improvement Program Plans: Motion Wartgow/Teeters to approve the 2020 program plans as presented. Motion carried.
 5. Resolution – Price County Highway Department 2021-2025 Equipment Improvement Program and 2021-2023 Facilities Improvement Program: Motion Wartgow/Spacek to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board with recommendation for adoption. Motion carried.
 6. Capital Improvement/Road Maintenance Plan: Joe presented two plans. The October PACER ratings and the traffic study done by the State will provide additional information needed.
 7. Draft 2020 Budget: Reviewed.
 8. County Highway D 2019 capital improvement project update: Anticipate completion date of the first week in October.
 9. Highway Access Control permit fee: Discussion of current fee structure. Motion Jilka/Teeters to set the driveway access fee at \$50 for new driveways, with no additional fee for replacements. Motion carried.
 10. Cooperative Blade, Salt and Salt/Sand purchase program: Joe will continue the cooperative purchase program with Price County municipalities and three municipalities in Ashland County.
 11. Airport fuel pricing: Joe and Mike presented the fuel pricing evaluation. Nick, Joe and Mike met with Shell Oil about fuel branding, decided not at this time.
 12. County Highway B fishing deck: Complaint of disrepair was received from a citizen. Deck was installed and is owned by Renewable Energies.
 13. Bridge and Culvert Aid Town of Fifield: Motion Jilka/Spacek to participate with the Town of Fifield bridge and culvert aid for the Turner Lake Road project over Squaw Creek. Motion carried.
 14. Wisconsin County Highway Association: October 18th meeting. Committee members to let Joe know if they're attending.
 15. Department Reports
 - a. Highway Crew: Vance – bridge work, crack filling, spray patching, mowing, brushing and chipping, culverts, storm cleanup, ditching.
 - b. Facilities / Office: Joe – fuel system issues, preventative maintenance, equipment repair, Mark Kyle hired as new Fleet and Facilities Manager.
 - c. Airport: Airshow went well. Thank you to Mike and Spike and all the volunteers.
 - d. Dams: Grant projects are on schedule with both Musser and Solberg being operational by October. Joe is doing concrete inspection training. Presentation on dam operations to Town of Elk.
 16. Vouchers: Motion Jilka/Wartgow to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$588,954.95. Motion carried.
 17. Schedule next meeting: September 9th.
 18. Meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.
- Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk