

Price County Highway & Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: June 14, 2019

Time: 9:00 a.m.

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

Meeting called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Larry Palecek, Committee Chairperson. Roll Call: Present: Bruce Jilka, Larry Palecek, Jordan Spacek, William Teeters, Dennis Wartgow. Also present: Joe Baratka, Joe Neeb, Bob Kopisch

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Public Comment: None.
2. Minutes November 12, 2018 Closed Session, April 8, 2019 and May 17, 2019 meetings: Motion Teeters/Wartgow to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2018 Closed Session, April 8, 2019 and May 17, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.
3. Dam Project Bids: Received one bid from Tri State Pump and Control, Inc.
 - a. Musser Lake Dam: a - \$26,268
 - b. Solberg Lake Dam: b - \$39,412These prices do not include engineering fees (\$12,000) or costs for utility work (\$7,564).
4. Amend Resolution 7-18 Request to Apply for WDNR 2018 Municipal Dam Grant Program (Musser Dam), if needed: Motion Jilka/Spacek to amend the resolution to total project cost of \$34,000 and County share of \$17,000 and forward to the Executive Committee for their consideration. Motion carried.
5. Amend Resolution 8-18 Request to Apply for WDNR 2018 Municipal Dam Grant Program (Solberg Dam), if needed: Motion Jilka/Spacek to amend the resolution to total project cost of \$54,000 and County share of \$27,000 and forward to the Executive Committee for their consideration. Motion carried.
6. Wisconsin County Highway Association: Larry, Bill and Joe attended Summer Road School. Discussion on calculation of General Transportation Aids. Bill commented that the event did not offer enough practical content.
7. Billing Public Entities for Emergency Services: Joe surveyed various counties and some bill for services and some don't. Corporation Counsel did not have an opinion on any legal issues. Motion Wartgow/Spacek to not develop a formal policy at this time. Motion carried.
8. County Trunk Highway W Causeway update: Discussion on project updates and options. Motion Spacek/Wartgow to approve moving forward with the full project starting at segment 6+40 and going to 15+00. Motion carried.
9. Airshow Update – Michael Brill: Have run into several roadblocks with FAA regulations. There are new airshow application processes and have made several attempts to meet requirements. If the final application is not accepted, the Airshow will be cancelled on June 18th. Motion Teeters/Wartgow to give authorization to Joe Baratka and Michael Brill to cancel the airshow if it is determined FAA requirements are not being met by June 18th. Motion carried.
10. County Highway Bridges – no fishing or swimming signs: The State does not provide direction on the issue. Motion Spacek/Teeters to not replace the vandalized signs on the County Highway H bridge. Motion carried.
11. Department Reports – Joe Baratka
 - a. Highway Crew – Vance Pollitt hired as Patrol Superintendent effective June 24th. Pete Fusak and Tim Radlinger stepped up during the transition period. Tim has accepted one Foreman position and recruitment continues for the other Foreman position. Shoulder grading, bridge washing, sweeping, culverts, shoulder repairs, State Highways 111 and 182 bridge epoxy overlays, pot hole patching, sign repair. Prepping County Road D. Will start crack seal and prepping for seal coating. Ordered new pickup for commissioner. Western Star truck was received, but not meeting the needs intended. Will put it up for sale and replace it. Fuel operation systems were inspected. Paver repairs. Summer equipment prepped.
 - b. Facilities / Office – Rachel Dahlke has accepted a new position in August and recruitment will start for the Accountant II position. Jenny Voda has stepped to cover staffing needs.
 - c. Airport – Michael Brill: Repair work to runway lights. Repairs to shed door and addition of electric opener. Will inquire about purchasing a pickup with entitlement funds.
 - d. Dams – Joe Neeb: Dealt with high water levels this spring. A couple gates need refabricating repairs.
12. Vouchers: Motion Wartgow/Teeters to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$356,199.41. Motion carried.
13. Schedule next meeting: August 15, 2019.
14. Meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald