Minutes of the
Dodge County Highway Committee Meeting
February 26, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Dodge County Highway Committee was called to order by the Chairman at 8:30 a.m. on February 26, 2015, in the Dodge County Highway building.

ROLL CALL: The following members were present – Harold Johnson, Randy Grebel, Jeff Berres, and William Muche. Chester Caine was absent. Commissioner Brian Field, Assistant Commissioner Peter Thompson, and County Administrator Jim Mielke were also present. County Board Chairman Russell Kottke, Corporation Counsel John F. Corey, Neal Stippich, and Jerry and Julie Wylesky were present for part of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Muche and seconded by Grebel to approve the agenda as presented and allow the Chairman to go out of order as needed to efficiently conduct the meeting. Motion carried.

REVIEW MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2015: Minutes of February 5, 2015, were approved as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.

STAFF REPORTS AND DEPARTMENT CONCERNS: A seasonal thank you card from the Bechtholds was shared with the Committee.

Highway Department staffing concerns were addressed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: There were no Committee reports.

PROJECT UPDATES: Thompson reported that all of the right-of-way acquisitions are complete on CTH A and CTH P for the 2015 HSIP projects.

Bids for CTH V (STH 33 – Mayville) will be opened on March 3, 2015.

The GRS bridge replacement projects are being scheduled for the 2015 season.

CTH G railroad crossing design work is in progress.

Crews continue to apply anti-icing and de-icing materials and logging application rates and results.

STATUS UPDATES FOR MISCELLANEOUS PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS: The Village of Reeseville is planning to rezone the parcel of property being purchased by Dodge County on March 12, 2015.

Corporation Counsel closed the land purchase transaction on the parcel adjacent to the Juneau Highway property.

Sealed bids will be received on March 31, 2015 for the sale of four County-owned residential lots in the City of Fox Lake.

REQUEST FOR AUDIT BY A MEMBER OF THE DODGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: The Committee was informed of a request by a county board supervisor to seek a forensic audit of the financial records of the Health and Human Services Department, Clearview, and the Highway Department. This request will be referred to the Finance Committee.

CTH E (USH 151 – CTH A) DRAINAGE CONCERNS: Neal Stippich addressed the Committee to discuss drainage concerns on CTH E (CTH A – CTH I). He is requesting a new cross culvert installation prior to the 2015 CTH E rehabilitation and repaving project. This item will be reviewed at a future Highway Committee meeting.

REVIEW RUMBLE STRIP INSTALLATION AT STH 33 AND CTH B: Jerry and Julie Wylesky addressed the Committee to express their concerns about the recently installed rumble strips on CTH B at STH 33. They are concerned about the noise level from these installations in their neighborhood. It was agreed that considering that this section of CTH B has a reduced speed limit, the Highway maintenance staff could apply some crackfilling material to these rumble strips to reduce the noise level when weather conditions permit this type of work.

DISCUSS ATTENDANCE AT TDA WORKSHOP ON MARCH 6, 2015: Muche, Berres, and Field will attend the Midwest council luncheon and workshop on March 6th at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee.

VOUCHER PAYMENT AND FEBRUARY CREDIT CARD PAYMENT REVIEW: Vouchers payment registers and the February credit card report were reviewed.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: The following items will be added to an upcoming meeting agenda: CTH E drainage concerns, audit request update, and property transaction updates.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: The next Committee meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. on March 12, 2015, in the Juneau office.

FIELD REVIEW: There was no field review.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Harold J. Johnson – Chairman

Randy Grebel – Secretary

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