

**HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2011  
HURLEY HIGHWAY OFFICE**

Members Present: Jim Kichak, Tom Innes, Mitch Koski, Larry Youngs and Jim Lambert

Absent Members: None

Also Present: John Nelson-Commissioner, Tana Osterman

Kichak called meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

Roll call was taken no members were absent.

The meeting was properly posted in the Iron County Miner, Ironwood Daily Globe and announced on WJMS and WUPM.

Motioned by Innes, supported by Koski to approve the minutes from the meeting on October 4, 2011. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Radio Tower – Crew has started working on the road to the tower.

Opened Survey Bids for CTH FF 5.5 miles from Paul Rd to Fox Lake.

Mead & Hunt, Madison WI	\$37,500
Mach IV, Green Bay WI	\$38,225
Becher Hoppe, Wausau WI	\$39,800
Coleman Engineering, Ironwood MI	\$39,850
CWE, Weston WI	\$50,500
Ayres Associates, Eau Claire WI	\$54,000
Chequamegon Bay Engineering, Minocqua WI	\$59,758
Robert E Lee, Hobart WI	\$79,500

Motioned by Innes, supported by Youngs to award the survey project to Coleman Engineering. Motion carried.

Mercer sand shed roof needs to be repaired. Motioned by Innes, supported by Youngs to authorize the commissioner to have the employees make repairs, not to exceed \$10,000. Motion carried.

Commissioner requesting to bid the purchase of a 1/2-ton pickup truck. The commissioner's vehicle is a 2006 with 105,000miles. This vehicle would be put into the fleet and not sold or traded. Motioned by Lambert, supported by Youngs to advertise to bid a 1/2ton pickup. Motion carried.

Budget 2011: Estimated year-end balance \$50,663

Commissioner's Report:

- Funds spent on County Roads – 43% of county roads are in the Town of Mercer. The department has spent 55% of the budget toward improvements. 28% of county roads are in the Town of Oma. The department has spent 16% of the budget toward improvements. It was discussed at the meeting in September if Mercer was receiving adequate funding for the amount of roads in that area.
- The committee will not be attending the North Central Region Fall Meeting in Keshena, WI.
- November 14<sup>th</sup> is the schedule date for Peterbilt to receive the tandem truck. It will than be delivered to Stainless & Repair for the body installation.

Public Comment: Lambert was inquiring if the department would be hiring a patrolman if Forestry posted a position and a Highway individual signed for the posting. It was discussed that Highway would have to fill the position.

Motioned by Innes, supported by Youngs to approve payment of bills for October \$224,049.35. Motion carried.

Next monthly meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M.

Motioned by Lambert, supported by Koski to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

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