

**HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 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 and Mike Wendt-WisDot

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 18, 2011. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

Appearance of Mike Wendt, WisDot to discuss the Routine Maintenance Agreement for 2012. The 2012 budget is \$906,200 a 2.7% decrease of \$25,300 from 2011. The maintenance dollars for transportation stayed the same, but the system roads grew. Maintenance is about 10% of the actual transportation budget. The decrease was allocated to winter severity. If WisDot goes over budget they apply for extra funding through legislature for approval to move funds from transportation to maintenance.

Motioned by Innes, supported by Youngs to sign the 2012 Routine Maintenance Agreement with WisDot. Motion carried.

Opened pickup truck bids for a 2011 1/2ton 4wheel drive extended cab:

Von Holzen, Ashland	GMC Sierra SLE	\$28,056.21
Ewald, Oconomowoc	Chevrolet Silverado	\$24,760.00
Ashland Ford Chrysler	Ford F150	\$24,551.00

Motioned by Lambert, supported by Youngs to purchase the 2011 1/2ton pickup truck from Ashland Ford Chrysler for \$24,551. Motion carried.

Received a proposal from Paschke Drilling & Blasting \$25,000 - \$30,000 for services on CTH C. We have 8 locations on CTH C that we would like to remove rock. This proposal would cover approximately 5-6days of blasting. They are unable to blast directly underneath live utilities or structures. Paschke is currently in Ironwood, so it is advantageous for us to have this service done. Our crew will help with equipment mobilization to defer the costs.

Motioned by Innes, supported by Koski to hire Paschke Drilling & Blasting for services on CTH C keeping within our \$30,000 budget. Motion carried.

Winter Highway Conference will be at Chula Vista, Wisconsin Dells January 16-18, 2012. Kichak and the commissioner will be attending.

Motioned by Innes, supported by Youngs to recommend to the County Board to elect John Nelson Highway Commissioner for a 2-year term. Motion carried.

Budget 2011: Estimated year-end balance \$38,235

Peterbilt has a demo 2011 single axle patrol truck for \$146,000. Vilas County purchased a Freightliner for \$129,000. Tandems are currently at the same price of \$91,838. Committee discussed holding off on purchasing a plow truck and allocating the funds to CTH FF for construction.

Commissioner's Report:

- Justin Reid requesting a Hauling Permit on CTH C for removing logs from his property. Committee approved his request to issue the permit during frozen roads.
- Crew cutting trees on Hwy 77.
- Crew has plowed once so far. Having problems with augers distributing material.
- Working on installing and setting up GPS.
- Peterbilt tandem left the plant today. Scheduled for Wausau to receive this week.

Public Comment: None

Motioned by Lambert, supported by Youngs to approve payment of bills for October \$6,269.85 and November \$30,734.28. Motion carried.

Next monthly meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, December 20th at 4:00 P.M.

Motioned by Innes, supported by Youngs to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

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