# HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012 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, Dennis DeRosso-Chairman, Paul Luppino-Angelo Luppino Inc., Scott Sturgeon-Scott Construction, Gary Morzenti-Northwood's

Paving, Mike Buss-Fahrner Asphalt, Brad Pitlik-Pitlik & Wick

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 February 25, 2012. Motion carried.

#### Old Business:

• Cell Phone Policy – Discussed Waushara County Highway Department Vehicle Use Policy. At no time shall any employee use a personal cell phone while operating a county owned vehicle. Use of personal cell phones will be restricted to break times or in cases of emergency. Youngs noted that Northwood's Paving doesn't even let Flaggers carry cell phones in their pockets, due to the safety factor. Motioned by Koski, supported by Youngs to forward policy to the County Board for approval. Motion carried.

## Open Seal Coat Bids CTH H:

- Fahrner Asphalt \$35,407.55
- Scott Construction \$33,894.78
- Pitlik & Wick \$39,634

Motioned by Lambert, supported by Innes to award low bid to Scott Construction for the CTH H seal coat project. Motion carried.

### Open Blacktop Bids CTH C:

	Angelo Luppino	Pitlik & Wick	Northwood's Paving
Pulverize	\$9,918	\$9,750	\$13,303.50
Final Grade	\$5,136	\$5,475	\$6,810
Hot Mix	\$64.78/ton	\$53.89	\$55.00
	\$206,907.32	\$184,249.91	\$188,045
Totals	\$221,961.32	199,474.91	\$208,158.50

Motioned by Innes, supported by Lambert, to award low bid to Pitlik & Wick for the CTH C blacktop project. Motion carried. Youngs abstained.

Plow Purchase –Town of Oma: Motioned by Innes, supported by Lambert to purchase the used plow from the Town of Oma for \$5,000. Motion carried.

Mechanic Laptop: Peterbilt trucks will soon be out of warranty, and will need to run diagnostics for repairs. Peterbilt will supply the software at no charge. DeRosso will check with Zoning and Human Services to see if they have a laptop.

Hire Part-Time Summer Position – Committee reviewed applications. Motioned by Lambert, supported by Innes to hire Joseph Swanson and Hannah Koski. Motion carried. Koski abstained

Bridge Inspections –The fee will be the same as 2010 rates, except for the exception of a \$5 structural inventory and appraisal fee and a \$5 stream bed profile fee; \$130 total fee. Motioned by Youngs, supported by Innes to hire Bill Knaack to perform bridge inspections. Motion carried.

Budget: \$1,965 year end balance. Commissioner working with state on a \$50,000 LFA project. Highway Department incurred a \$40,000 settlement expense in the Bausch case.

# Commissioner's Report:

- Summer Highway Conference Chula Vista, June 4-6<sup>th</sup>. Nelson will be attending.
- Flaggers Training hosted by the University of Wisconsin is scheduled at the Courthouse, Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. All Highway employees including part-time, along with Ashland County will be attending.
- Crew currently working on CTH C project. All stumps and rock are removed, installing erosion blanket and correcting soft spots.
- CenturyLink will be moving their lines in the ditch to the back edge of the right-of-way.

### **Public Comment:**

• Kichak inquired about construction on CTH FF. Commissioner planning on replacing culverts and removing trees and rock this year. Coleman Engineering is 90% complete with the survey. After completed survey, we can look into land acquisition to determine what curves can be straightened.

Motioned by Lambert, supported by Koski to approve payment of bills for March \$40,436.42 and April \$11,699.50. Motion carried.

Next monthly meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M.

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

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