

**HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018
HURLEY HIGHWAY OFFICE**

Members Present: Jim Kichak, Patrick Hanson and Karl Krall

Members Absent: Larry Youngs and Scott Erickson

Also Present: Mike Swartz, Commissioner; Tana Osterman, Office Manager II; Joe Pinardi, County Board Chairman; Rick Satterlee, Ayres Associates; Jeff Smith, Burke Truck & Equipment; Larry Simpson

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

Roll call was taken Youngs and Erickson absent.

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

Motioned by Hanson, supported by Krall, to approve the minutes from the meeting on August 21, 2018. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- “No ATV” sign has been removed on CTH D.
- Demoed used roller from United Rental, unit had issues. Purchased new Volvo Roller for \$33,000 from Aring Equipment.

Motioned by Krall, supported by Hanson, to authorize commissioner to purchase the plow truck he feels best fits the department. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson, supported by Krall, to purchase the equipment from Burke Truck & Equipment with a mid-mount wing. Motion carried. Smith said the cost will be the same. The wing could always be changed to a front mount if dissatisfied with performance.

Motioned by Hanson, supported by Krall, to approve the 2019 Budget and forward to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

2018 Budget – Year end Estimate \$538,561

Patrolman Applications – Advertised in the Iron County Miner for 1-2 Patrolman positions; deadline October 1st. Committee discussed paying health insurance for the last 6 months of employment for the retirees.

Commissioner’s Report:

- CTH G/H Project – Paving and stripping completed.
- Grouting culvert liners
- Paved shoulder on Hwy 169 to prevent washout.
- Painted lines on Hwy 77, US2, CTH E and CTH C; CTH G and CTH H need to be completed.
- Installed three culverts CTH E; CTH C & Hwy 122 need to be completed.

- Hwy 122 Railroad Tracks – Removed track due to issues with plowing; Railroad gave permission. Lights are bagged, Railroad will remove lights.
- Crew will repair gravel shoulders on Hwy 51 and US2. All roads will be patched before winter.
- Saxon Harbor bridge is completed except for guardrail.
- Three snowmobile crossings need to be repaved.
- State has RMA funding available to pave a portion of Hwy 122; contractors too busy.
- Need to replace the Hurley scale. Components are now stainless steel for a longer life expectancy. Structure would have to be inspected. Commissioner will see how much the state would pay for scale usage.

Motioned by Krall, supported by Hanson, to approve payment of bills for September \$65,640.17. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

- Appearance of Larry Simpson, requesting passing lanes on CTH FF. This will be added to the October agenda.
- Appearance of Rick Satterlee, Ayres Associates. Ayres is in the process of submitting a contract to WisDot for the design of US2 - Hwy 51 intersection.

Next monthly meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, October 9th at 4:00P.M. and Tuesday, October 16th at 4:00P.M.

Motioned by Hanson, supported by Krall, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

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