HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2024 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Members Present: Bill Thomas, Pat Hanson, Karl Krall, and Scott Erickson

Members Absent: Tanner Hiller

Also Present: Kasey Krall, Commissioner; Tana Osterman, Office Manager II; Larry Youngs,

County Board Chairman

Thomas called the meeting to order at 4:30 P.M.

Roll call taken; Tanner Hiller was 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 November 17, 2024, meeting. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Installation of dash cameras
- Purchase and receipt of a 2020 Skid Steer from McCoy Construction and Forestry, including a new cutting edge.

Border Bridge Contract:

Motioned by Krall, supported by Erickson, to sign the Border Bridge Agreements. The maintenance and inspection costs will be shared equally (50/50) by each jurisdiction. Motion carried.

- Nylund Rd over Montreal River, Town of Kimball
- CTH C Van Buskirk Rd over Montreal River, Iron County
- Dupont Rd over Montreal River, Town of Oma
- Popular Street/W Norrie St over Montreal River, City of Hurley

Gravel Crushing:

Motioned by Erickson, supported by Hanson, to increase the gravel crushing quantities; Oma Pit to 3,000 yards and Lake O'Brian Pit to 4,000 yards. Motion carried.

2025 Budget Structure:

• Implementing 208 account numbers, separating Summer, Winter, and Special Projects.

Commissioner's Report:

• The crew is revamping the paint truck to carry the beads; the state is covering the costs for the upgrade.

• The commissioner will attend the next Town Association Meeting to discuss the Bridge and Culvert Replacement Agreement. Completed agreements must be submitted to the Commissioner by the end of April. Project costs will be shared between the towns and included in the tax roll.

2024 Budget Review:

Ending balance: \$181,449
Motioned by Hanson, supported by Erickson, to approve the budget. Motion carried. The Commissioner aims to maintain \$500,000 in working capital; with \$100,000 allocated for culvert replacement on CTH A. Next year, the county will begin a new 25-year cycle for construction projects, starting after the CTH G project.

Motioned by Krall, supported by Erickson, to approve payment of bills totaling \$62,947.56 for December. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

• Thomas requested the Commissioner look into a No Passing sign on Hwy 77 near BP, as the sign does not align with the pavement marking.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2025, at 4:30 P.M.

The meeting was adjourned.

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