

**HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2010
HURLEY HIGHWAY OFFICE**

Members Present: Jim Kichak, Tom Innes, Jim Lambert, Don Richards, and Bill Thomas

Absent Members: None

Also Present: John Nelson-Commissioner, Tana Osterman and Dennis DeRosso

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

Roll call was taken no members 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 Thomas to approve the minutes from the meeting on December 15, 2009. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Meeting Minute Policy – Policy was approved at the Dec 15, 2009 meeting; DeRosso will forward the policy to the Departments.

Hwy 51 Bike Trail – Toni Sendra was going to give a presentation but didn't appear. Motioned by Innes, supported by Thomas to table until the March meeting.

Commissioner's Report:

- All shop windows have been installed. Trimming the outside of the windows will be finished in the spring. Committee suggests contacting a contractor for ideas and costs to better winterize the shop.
- Gogebic County wants to rent our Crafcro machine and router. Their insurance will pay for any damage. Committee approves the rental.
- Ashland County has a camera to view road conditions, which cost \$2,000/camera a few years ago. We are currently working with the state to request installing a camera on US 2 near Frontier Bar, Hwy 51 near Great Northern and Hwy 182 near the Trading Post. Committee feels this would be a good tool for tourism to be able to view weather conditions.
- Requesting to hire an engineering firm for the CTH FF project from Lake of the Falls to Paul Road. Commissioner would like to be prepared for any future Stimulus or STP funding.
- Commissioner would like to start adding our own additive to the fuel to save approximately \$3,700/year. Last quote was \$2.39/gal for Amoco Premiere Diesel, \$2.27/gal for #2 Diesel. The additive cost is 3.7 cents. Washburn County is currently adding additive. Commissioner will report back at the next monthly meeting.

Public Comment:

- Innes received a complaint that Hwy 169 was not plowed on Sunday. An employee was plowing that beat.
- Kichak received a complaint that the driver on Hwy 51 didn't pull over to allow traffic to pass. It is not our policy to pull over in a storm. However, during surveillance the drivers will pull over.

Motioned by Innes, supported by Thomas to approve payment of the bills for January \$37,052.18, February \$8,662.70 and February 16th \$19,916.86. Motioned carried.

Next meeting date was schedule for Tuesday, March 16th at 4:00 P.M.

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

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