

**MINUTES OF THE
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
OF THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD**

**Tuesday, March 6, 2018
5:00 p.m.
404 Elm Street**

A. Call to Order – MR. KELLY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:00 P.M.

B. Roll Call -

Present: Dave Kelley, Burt Gerl, Dave Tassoni,

Also: Joseph Vanderwerff Sr. County Engineer
Wayne Vlk, Assistant County Engineer
Carlos Molina, Operations Manager P.E.
Andy Pirrello, Equipment Foreman
Melinda Macias, Purchasing
John Giliberti, Assistant States Attorney

C. Approval of Minutes – MR. KELLEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 6, 2018 PWC MEETING MINUTES. SECONDED BY MR. GERL AND MR. TASSONI. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.

D. Public Comment – This is the time we invite the public to address the Public Works Committee with issues and concerns. We ask you to limit your comments to three minutes. Personal attacks or inappropriate language of any sort will not be tolerated. We will allow a maximum of five speakers on a first come basis with sign up at the meeting. An individual may speak a maximum of three times per calendar year on the same topic. After acknowledgement by the chair, please stand and state your name. Thank you.

E. Legislation –

Old Legislation –

New Legislation –

(18-002) A Resolution Awarding Bids for a Tandem Axel Dump Trucks.

Mr. Vanderwerff directed the PWC to the Resolution, under the title, trucks would be received as follows, six (6) trucks in 2018 and six (6) trucks in 2019. He asked the PWC if the Resolution could be amended to add; Whereas, the purchase of the trucks would be on a four (4) year lease with the leasing institution and the interest rate being determined by the Finance Committee. If approved by the PWC, Mr. Vanderwerff will have it written up for the County Board. Further discussion followed by Mr. Molina, Mr. Pirrello, Ms. Macias and the PWC. MR. GERL MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AND THE AMENDMENT TO THE RESOLUTION. SECONDED BY MR. TASSONI. APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.

F. Other Matters –

Budget Amendment –

Change Order(s) for Information Only

Baxter Road / Lindenwood Road Intersection & Lindenwood Road south leg

(Section 16-00612-00-WR) Change Order #1 – Mr. Vlk informed the PWC that this is an interim Change Order to reflect some changes to match existing conditions. This will include an extension of time on the project, due to excessive rainfalls throughout last summer until the end of August 2017, when the project started. The project has a revised completion date of June 30, 2018. The project was suspended for the winter and will resume when the weather permits this spring.

G. Reports –

a. County Engineer Vanderwerff –

- i. North Park Water Easement – Mr. Vanderwerff showed the PWC a map of the area of Perryville Road and IL-173. Mr. Vanderwerff then explained to the PWC that the water main in that area which was on an easement across the Perryville Road right of way was moved to the north by IDOT during construction of that intersection. IDOT never granted an easement to North Park Water District (NPWD) for the new location of the water main. NPWD asked us for an easement recently after the fact. NPWD drew up the paper work necessary to grant the new location of the easement. The States Attorney’s office opined that the granting of this easement did not need County Board approval due to it just being moved a few feet north of the original location. The PWC concurred with moving the easement as presented.
- ii. Bridge and Bridge Funding – Mr. Vanderwerff informed the PWC that we have been approved for federal funding for two of our bridges and they are scheduled for improvements in 2020 and 2022. We also determined that we have a third bridge that needs improvements, Rockton Road over I-90. The cost of that will be \$400,000.00 and we will need to put that in our budget for 2019. Further discussion followed by the PWC.
- iii. Paint Pavement Markings –Mr. Molina informed the PWC that we previously shared a paint truck with the City of Rockford. Our Operations crew would only have the truck at the end of the season for a short time, and sometimes our crew was working overtime to get the painting done when weather permitted. The City now contracts the painting out and we have the truck permanently. Mr. Vanderwerff informed the PWC that we cut down on how often we paint pavement markings, have made significant cuts paying overtime, and have saved a considerable amount of money. We are considering eliminating painting the edge line on some of our low volume roads according to the requirements in the MUTCD for further savings.
- iv. Recycling of Electronics – Mr. Vanderwerff informed the PWC that the County Board Office received some information from the City of Rockford concerning a program for collecting and recycling electronics. I called the City of Rockford and they felt that it would be helpful if Winnebago County applied for this program to help offset the \$175,000.00 cost the City pays for this. The City is not just receiving electronics from people living in the City of Rockford but from all over Winnebago County. This program is not offered to municipalities; just the counties. There will be a cost for us of 7¢ per pound for hauling away the electronics. Mr. Vanderwerff informed the PWC that we made the application but are not sure we will be selected this year. Further discussion followed by the PWC.

b. Assistant County Engineer Vlk –

c. PWC Chairman Report –

H. New Business

- Mr. Tassoni asked if the Highway Department was going out to bid for any additional mowing of ditches and right away this year. Mr. Molina informed the PWC that it worked out so well last year that we may triple the amount of times that a contractor will mow this year. The price may go up a little, but that the contractors did it for less cost than we would have been able to do it. Further discussion followed by the PWC.

- Mr. Gerl informed the PWC that he received a call from a constituent who lives on Delmar about the Forest View property. The homeowner is no longer getting water on his property but the water is now coming into his home. The homeowner asked me if there is anything that the county can do about this. Further discussion followed by the PWC. The Highway Department will look into the feasibility of applying for another 319 Grant for the corner lot.

I. Adjourn / Recess – MR. KELLEY MOVED TO ADJOURN. SECONDED
BY MR. GERL AND MR. TASSONI. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.
Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lisa Halberstadt, Administrative Secretary