Rusk County Highway Committee March 20, 2017

COMMITTEE APPROVED

Present: Roger Gierke, Arian Knops, Jim Platteter, Jerry Biller.

Absent: Karl Fisher.

Also Present: Scott Emch, Nanci Mertes, Tom Boguszewski, Pete Boss, Rich Summerfield.

Call Meeting to Order.
Vice-Chair Jerry Biller called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Approval of Minutes – March 20, 2017.
A Knops/Gierke motion to approve the minutes of March 20, 2017. Motion Carried.

Public Comment.
Tom Boguszewski from AECOM came before the Committee to discuss future bridge projects.

Antonio Ruiz, Lucjan Gmiterek, and the Flambeau School District made a formal request for
 easement over highway right-of-way (ROW) in the Town of Dewey in the southeast quarter of the
 northeast quarter of Section 14 along CTH “X”. When Highway “X” was relocated at this curve in
 1973 it disrupted direct access onto CTH “X” for several property parcels.
A Knops/Gierke motion to approve a two rod easement along the south side of the
 southeast corner of the northeast corner of Section 14 in the Town of Dewey for the
 Flambeau School District, Antonio Ruiz, and Lucjan Gmiterek. Motion Carried.

CHT “I” – request to install a handicapped fishing pier from ROW along CTH “I”
The Committee discussed ownership of the land located along CTH “I” at the bridge at Lake
 Flambeau and reviewed maps with Corporate Council.
A Gierke/Knops motion to postpone this item until the April meeting. Motion Carried.

Authorization to hire 6 Seasonal Summer Highway Temporary Help positions and 3 Seasonal
Temporary Truck Driver positions.
Discussion on highway projects scheduled for the 2017 construction season and employment
needs.
A Gierke/Knops motion to approve hiring 6 Seasonal Summer Highway Temporary Help
positions and 3 Seasonal Temporary Truck Driver positions. Motion Carried.

Update on Building Renovation project.
The Highway Commissioner informed the Committee that a meeting is scheduled for Wednesday,
March 22, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. to meet with the building engineer to discuss schematics of the new
building layout. The Committee requested an agenda be prepared for this meeting.

Authorize disposal of the following equipment through Wisconsin Surplus.
A Platteter/Gierke motion to authorize the disposal of the following equipment on
Wisconsin Surplus; Truck #005, Truck #068, Truck #069, Truck #025, Plow Wing #768W,
Plow Wing #769W, Underbody #769U, Water Pump #140, Concrete Saw #129. Motion
Carried.

HIGHWAY SAFETY REPORT
The Highway Commissioner reviewed status of MSHA and Smoke School training.

HIGHWAY FINANCIAL REPORT
This report includes the current status of Highway Cash, Payables, Receivables,
Equipment/Blacktop Plant funds and current Year-to-Date Fund Statement.
HIGHWAY OFFICE REPORT.
This report includes the status of worker compensation claims, liability insurance, office personnel activity, crew updates, retirements, unemployment claims and number of Highway FMLA requests.

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE- ANNOUNCEMENTS
None.

Approve payment of bills.
A Knops/Gierke motion to approve the Highway Payables and the Highway Crew and Administration payrolls as presented. Motion Carried.

Set date for next highway committee meeting.
The next regular Highway Committee meeting is set for April 17, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at the Rusk County Highway Department.

Motion to adjourn.
A Gierke/Biller motion to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Nanci A. Mertes, Asst to Highway Commissioner/Financial Administrator
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