

## HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MINUTES

August 8, 2023

The Manitowoc County Highway Committee convened into an open session at the Manitowoc County Highway Department Conference Meeting Room, 3500 STH 310, Manitowoc, Wisconsin at 4:00 P.M. on this 8th day of August 2023.

Supervisor Behnke called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Supervisors Behnke, Engelbrecht, Gerroll, Maresh, and Vogt

**Excused:** N/A

**Also Present:** Commissioner Greg Grotegut, County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer

**Approval of Minutes:** Supervisor Gerroll made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Vogt to approve the minutes from the June 13th, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

**Regular Business:**

**(Public Comment):** None

### **Manitowoc Airport-Transfer of Hangar Lot 2101 H-4 Assignment Request from Eric Pekrul to Dennis Meneau**

Commissioner Grotegut presented the hangar transfer assignment request received for Hangar Lot 2101 H-4 from Eric Pekrul to Dennis Meneau.

Motion made by Supervisor Engelbrecht to approve the Airport Transfer of Hangar Lot 2101 H-4 from Eric Pekrul to Dennis Meneau, seconded by Supervisor Maresh. Motion carried.

### **Airport – Manager – Project Update**

Commissioner Grotegut provided an airport update to the committee with the new airport manager who recently started and the busy week at the airport during EAA week. Grotegut updated the committee on the donated airplane that was damaged during the wind storm and the temporary removal for minor repairs. Grotegut updated the committee on the light project with the entitlement funds to cover the costs for this project.

### **Speed Limit Request – Town of Kossuth on CTH R from CTH Y to Quarter Road**

Commissioner Grotegut updated the committee on the Traffic Safety Committee recommendation from the July 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. The recommendation was to deny this request based on the findings of the speed study and crash data. The average speed and the 85 percentile speeds were discussed for this location.

Motion made by Supervisor Vogt to deny the request, seconded by Supervisor Gerroll. Motion carried.

### **Speed Limit Request –Village of Whitelaw on CTH S from Kohlbeck Lane to Truman Street**

Commissioner Grotegut updated the committee on the Traffic Safety Committee recommendation from the July 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. The recommendation was to deny this request based on the findings of the speed study and crash data. The average speed and the 85 percentile speeds were discussed for this location.

Motion made by Supervisor Engelbrecht to deny the request, seconded by Supervisor Vogt. Motion carried

## **Speed Limit Request – Town of Manitowoc Rapids on CTH R from Goodwin Road to Menasha Avenue**

Commissioner Grotegut updated the committee on a request from the Town of Manitowoc Rapids and Vinton Construction for a speed reduction on CTH R. The recommendation from the July 18<sup>th</sup> Traffic and Safety meeting was to lower the limit pending review of State Statutes. Grotegut informed the committee that this was reviewed by Corporation Council and the new sign placement was put together by an engineering firm. A speed study was also performed in this area. Brief discussion took place regarding the ADT, the heavy truck traffic and the intersection of CTH P.

Motion made by Supervisor Gerroll to approve the speed reduction request, seconded by Supervisor Engelbrecht. Motion carried

## **Bridge Aid Update**

Commissioner Grotegut updated the committee on changes for bridge aid from previous years. Grotegut indicated the Wisconsin Attorney General will no longer allow cost sharing. The townships in Manitowoc County have a deadline to apply for county bridge aid reimbursement for the 2024 budget of September 1, 2023.

## **High Risk Rural Road Program Update**

Commissioner Grotegut explained the High Risk Rural Road Program for CTH VV from CTH B to STH 147 along with the cost involved for the county portion. Grotegut explained that the main improvements can be made by self-funding them in the 2024 budget cheaper than going through the program. Brief discussion took place.

## **2023 Project Updates**

Commissioner Grotegut provided an overview to the committee on the completed 2023 highway projects to date. 2023 will have a total of 18.2 miles of new pavement completed by this fall. Grotegut updated the committee on the 2023 chip sealing projects completed in July which included portions of CTH T, CTH LS, CTH A and CTH F. Grotegut provided an update on culvert replacements and lining projects on county highways. No further discussion.

## **2024 Paving Projects**

Commissioner Grotegut presented the committee with the scheduled 2024 paving projects. He mentioned the upcoming PIM meeting on August 29, 2023 for the CTH R Project. Grotegut gave a review of the following projects projected for 2024 to include sections on CTH T, CTH V, CTH VV, CTH CL, CTH Z and CTH NN. He also mentioned the chip sealing segment of highways that are projected for 2024. Grotegut mentioned there are currently no bridge projects planned for 2024, but working on applying for posted bridges to get in the DOT system for replacement.

## **2024 Equipment Requests**

Commissioner Grotegut presented the 2024 department equipment replacement requests. Brief discussion took place. Motion made by Supervisor Engelbrecht to approve the 2024 equipment replacement request, pending the approval of the Finance Director and County Executive from the 2024 Equipment Request, seconded by Supervisor Maresh. Motion carried.

## **2024 Building Updates**

Commissioner Grotegut updated the committee on the state salt shed replacements along with the roof replacement at the 310 Shop and window replacement estimates.

**Manure Transfer Driveway Request**

Commissioner Grotegut provided a proposed plan and location for a manure transfer driveway installation. A discussion took place about current agricultural access points, the safety of road side transferring and the controlled access in this location.

Motion made by Supervisor Gerroll to install a second driveway per the Counties permit process for this parcel as an Agricultural access not as the proposed plan, seconded by Supervisor Vogt. Motion carried.

**Overtime Report**

The Committee reviewed the Overtime Reports. Commissioner Grotegut discussed the department overtime incurred while completing the paving projects and grass mowing. No further discussion.

**Vouchers**

The Committee reviewed the vouchers dated June 6th, 2023 through July 25th, 2023.

Supervisor Gerroll made a motion to approve the vouchers, and was seconded by Supervisor Maresh. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting Date**

September 12th, 2023

**Adjournment**

Supervisor Maresh made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Gerroll. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

Submitted by:

Gregory M. Grotegut

Highway Commissioner