

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

DATE OF MEETING: Wednesday, July 10, 2013

COMMITTEE: Highway

CHAIRMAN: Jeffrey Zalewski

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeffrey Zalewski, Arlene Bonacci, Richard Hurlbert, Rick Bina and William Bostwick.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Commissioner Rusch, Patrol Superintendent Washatko, Russell Cook, Sr., Ed and Lil Doody, Forest Administrator, Eric Rantala, Dave Solin and Shop Superintendent Don Moyle.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Zalewski at 7:30 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA/MINUTES:

Chairman Zalewski asked for additions to the agenda. There were none. Motion by Hurlbert, second by Bostwick, to approve the amended agenda as presented. Motion carried. Motion by Bonacci, second by Hurlbert, to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

DISCUSS PARRISH HIGHLANDER ATV CLUB REQUEST FOR ATV ROUTE ON CTH "U", W. ISLES OF PINES DRIVE TO CLEAR LAKE ROAD (TABLED AT JUNE MEETING):

This item was tabled at the June 12 Highway Committee meeting to allow the Forest Administrator, Highway Commissioner and Parrish Highlanders ATV Club President to consider alternate trail locations and allow the ATV Club to attempt to secure permission to cross private land. A trail location was determined; the ATV Club contacted three landowners and access was denied to cross their land. The Commissioner recommended denying this request since it does not meet the criteria established in the Committee policy for an ATV route.

After further discussion, motion by Bostwick, second by Bina to make an exception to Policy 05-02 and approve the ATV route on CTH "U" from West Isles of Pines Drive to Clear Lake Road. Motion carried, all ayes.

DISCUSS MACHINERY, SHOP AND REPAIRS:

There have been no major breakdowns or repair issues in the last month, routine maintenance continues. We are doing routine work on tractors and mowers, and seasonal preventive maintenance continues on snowplow equipment. There have been several nagging problems at the hot mix plant regarding the burner controls, we are repairing the problem and this winter will be looking at what it would take to upgrade the system. The Patrol Superintendent's new pickup truck has been delivered and the radio will be installed today. The new patrol trucks have been inspected by the Shop Superintendent and are being delivered to the body/attachment vendor.

AT APPROXIMATELY 8:15 A.M., CONSIDER MOVING INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WISCONSIN STATUTES 19.85 (1) (C) TO DISCUSS STAFFING AND PERSONNEL ISSUES:

Motion by Hurlbert, second by Bonacci, to move into closed session at 8:00 a.m. By individual vote of the Committee; all ayes.

AT APPROXIMATELY 8:45 A.M., RETURN TO OPEN SESSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION ON ANY MATTER DISCUSSED DURING CLOSED SESSION:

Motion by Hurlbert, second by Bonacci, to move out of closed session at 8:23 a.m. Motion carried.

Motion by Hurlbert, second by Bina, to advertise the open Mechanic position in the Shoppers Guide Network, Antigo Daily Journal and Rhinelander newspaper, with applications being due August 1, 2013. The Committee will review the applications at the August 14, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Bostwick, second by Bonacci, to advertise for the open Common Laborer position in the Antigo Daily Journal at a later date. Motion carried.

DISCUSS HIGHWAY OPERATIONS:

Crushing operations are going well; we have finished crushing at the Doucette and Schroeder pits and are moving to the Cuellar pit. We are working with the Forestry Department regarding gravel on the Wolf River State Trail (former railroad grade from STH "64" to STH "55"). Because of uncooperative weather and hot mix plant issues, the paving season has started slowly. Roadside mowing is 1/3 to 1/2 complete - mowing is difficult because of the favorable growing season for the roadside vegetation. We have been authorized to perform projects for the Towns of Rolling, Antigo, Langlade, Polar and Peck, and estimates have been sent to the Towns of Neva, Price and Evergreen. Weather permitting, paving of the Fairgrounds roadway will be performed tomorrow. The June budget report was distributed.

Motion by Hurlbert, second by Bostwick, to excuse Supervisor Bonacci at 8:30 a.m. Motion carried.

REVIEW/APPROVE QUOTATIONS FOR ANNUAL EQUIPMENT BLADE PURCHASE:

QTY	SIZE	VALK MFR	GRAY'S, INC./ BRAUER SUPPLY	WAUSAU STEEL	D.A. MACPHERSON
220	5/8" - 7/8" X 8" X 5' (red)	NO QUOTE	\$ 20,798.80	NO QUOTE	\$ 23,410.20
220	5/8" - 7/8" X 8" X 6' (red)	NO QUOTE	\$ 24,959.00	NO QUOTE	\$ 28,094.00
40	5/8" X 7/8" X 8" x 7' (red)	NO QUOTE	\$ 5,294.40	NO QUOTE	\$ 6,096.80
80	5/8" X 8" X 8' (wing)	\$ 6,616.80	\$ 7,835.20	\$ 7,676.00	\$ 8,127.20
140	5/8" X 8" X 12' (plow)	\$ 17,386.60	\$ 20,568.80	\$ 19,593.00	\$ 21,330.40
SUBTOTAL		\$ 24,003.40	\$ 79,456.20	\$ 27,269.00	\$ 87,058.60
				FUEL SURCHARGE	
				\$ 295.80	
TOTAL		\$ 24,003.40	\$ 79,456.20	\$ 27,564.80	\$ 87,058.60

RECOMMENDATION:

GRAY'S, INC.	CURVED BLADES	\$ 51,052.20
VALK MFR	FLAT BLADES (WING,PLOW)	\$ 24,003.40
TOTAL		\$ 75,055.60

Motion by Bostwick, second by Bina, to purchase the curved blades from Gray's Inc./Brauer Supply for the low quoted price of \$51,052.20 and the flat blades from Valk Mfr. for the low quoted price of \$24,003.40, for a total cost of \$75,055.60. Motion carried.

TOUR OF PLANT AND/OR CRUSHING OPERATION IF WORKLOAD, SCHEDULE, AND WEATHER ALLOW:

The tour of the plant and/or crushing operation was postponed.

ADJOURN MEETING:

Motion by Hurlbert, second by Bostwick, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 a.m. Motion carried.