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RICHLAND CO. HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING

April 6, 2017

MINUTES

The Regular Highway Committee meeting of April 6, 2017 was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Rasmussen, in the Conference Room at the Richland County Highway Shop, 120 Bowen Circle, Richland Center, WI 53581.

Present were:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Rasmussen	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Buford Marshall	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marty Brewer	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Kinney	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Larry Sebranek	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Chitwood	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

There was proper proof of notification.

Read and approve the agenda.

Moved by *Marshall*, seconded by *Kinney* to approve and accept the agenda as read.
Motion carried.

Read & approve minutes from March 2nd & March 22nd, 2017 Highway Committee Meetings.

Moved by *Kinney*, seconded by *Sebranek*, to approve the minutes as read.
Motion carried.

Review voucher listing and approve for payment.

Total amount for pre-paid and unpaid bills: \$242,584.78.
Moved by *Brewer*, seconded by *Kinney* to approve vouchers for payment.
Motion carried.

Update on Sand Pit acquisition.

Easements were cleaned up so present owner will not have to do it.

Review expenditures for salt purchases (2017 – 2018).

We will need initial fill of \$224,000.00 (2,800 ton) and \$45,000.00 (600 ton) in reserve.
No motion necessary.

Review changes and economic impacts involving bridge weight limits.

Discussion only.

Discuss Federal Aid Bridge application process.

Caps have been taken off per DOT.

Discuss Summer WCHA Highway Conference.

June 5th, 6th, & 7th, 2017 at the Chula Vista. Registration deadline is May 12, 2017. Inform Jim by May 1st, 2017 if planning to attend.

Discuss highlights of spring statewide Commissioner's meeting.

Counties are finding ways to counter-act endless state provisions in contracts. All county and township data must now be done on-line.

Approve seasonal employee hiring for summer work.

Moved by *Sebranek*, seconded by *Marshall*, to hire summer employees if needed. Motion carried.

Review proposal for dozer purchase.

Discussed trading for a newer unit for \$79,000.00. No action at this time.

Commissioner's report.

- a. *Gratitude toward employees/evaluations.* Discussion ensued with employee supervisors present. Another employee has announced his retirement. Will be replaced as soon as possible.
- b. *Highway safety versus financial cutbacks.* Discussion only.
- c. *Administrative/work assistance with towns/other municipalities.* Working with townships is time consuming but rewarding & necessary.
- d. *Additional state work item.* Unknown at this time.

Other Business.

Problems with copier. \$1,300.00 to \$1,400.00 to repair. New copier is \$3,500.00 to \$4,500.00. Recommendation to repair copier. Motion by *Rasmussen*, seconded by *Kinney*, to repair copier. Motion carried.

The next regular Highway Committee meeting will be held, *Thurs., May 4, 2017 @ 9:00 a.m.*

Motion to adjourn the meeting by *Sebranek*, seconded by *Marshall*. Motion carried.

Chairman Rasmussen adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Marty Brewer - Secretary