



Highway Committee Minutes

9:30 AM – Thursday, April 20, 2021

Members Present: JoAnn Nickelatti, Glenda Sullivan, Mike Leis, Lorn Goede, Dave Williams

Others in attendance: Commissioner Phil Hewitt, Administrator Cari Reddington, Lonnie Muller,

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. Affirmation of proper public notice of meeting

The meeting was properly noticed.

3. Review and approve minutes of the March 11, 2021 meeting

Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Leis, to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Audience to visitors – none.

5. Discussion and Possible Action on Excess Revenue to Capital Budget

Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Goede to use auction revenue for capital expenditures. All in favor. Motion carried.

6. Discussion and Possible Action on Sale of Hwy Property SS

The property is made up of two acres of woods and two acres with buildings. Neighbors get first chance at purchasing at fair market value. No action necessary.

7. Discussion and Possible Action on Purchase of Used Forklift

Hewitt is unsure if a forklift would be considered a capital purchase or if could be a shop expense. He'd like to spend less than \$10,000 to have a forklift at the old shop to unload and load pavement marking paint and beads. Motion by Goede, seconded by Sullivan to approve the purchase of a used forklift up to \$20,000. All in favor. Motion carried.

8. Discussion and Possible Action on Purchase of Used Paver

Sheldon's Asphalt is going out of business and has a paver for sale that is the same as one of ours. They'll sell it for \$15,000. Motion by Leis, seconded by Williams to buy the used paver from Sheldon's after doing a test run. All in favor. Motion carried.

9. Review/Approve bills for payment

Motion made by Leis, seconded by Goede to pay the bills. All in favor. Motion carried.

10. Commissioner's Report – Phil Hewitt – Non-action items

- a. Weight limits – Bans were on for 3.5 weeks. Something needs to be done differently next year; drivers are completely disregarding the limits.
- b. Winter Savings to Capital Budget – Thinking about using the money that we're under budget in winter maintenance to build a pole shed.
- c. 2021 Construction Review – County roads WW, ZZ, P, and S will receive full-depth pulverization; about 11 miles total. We'll be doing about 15 miles of chip sealing.
- d. Hwy Shop Equipment – Hewitt did some checking and the hoist and crane that are at the old shop have no demand because they're so old.
- e. Auction – We'll probably do one more auction this year.



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- f. Paint – We'll start painting for the Feds the first of May. The plan is to increase painting from 280 miles last year to around 400 miles this year.
- g. A landowner wants to extend curb and gutter in the road right-of-way by highway 80 and CTH C near Hillsboro. He'll need to at his own expense.
- h. More discussion on selling the old Highway Shop; statutes say the first move is for the Highway Committee to decide if they want to sell or not before going to County Board. The appraisal was \$510,000 as is, or approximately \$745,000 as a vacant lot.

11. Set next meeting date

- May 18, 2021

12. Adjourn

Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Leis to adjourn. All in favor. Motion carried.