

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

DATE: March 2, 2015

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Ken Robl, Highway Committee Chairman
Robert Warnke, Highway Committee Member
David Albrecht, Highway Committee Member
Tom Egan, Highway Committee Member
Kenn Olson, Highway Committee Member
Ernie Winters, Highway Commissioner

ALSO

PRESENT: John Fink, Assistant to the County Executive

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robl at 9:00 A.M. A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Olson to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2015 meeting as written. Motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Robl asked if there was any public input on the agenda items. There was none.

The Governor's proposed FY 16/FY17 transportation budget was discussed. Commissioner Winters distributed notes that he took at a recent Legislative meeting. Discussion was held regarding options to make up the large shortfall expected in the transportation budget. After a lengthy discussion Commissioner Winters asked if the Committee would like to take a position on the transportation budget and if he should draft a letter to local Legislators. Supervisor Olson stated he feels that the Highway Commission should have a position paper stating what Winnebago County would like to see the transportation budget include. The Committee asked Commissioner Winters to draft a letter and bring back to a future meeting. If the Committee decides to move forward a resolution may be drafted also.

The CTH I reconstruction project from Ripple Avenue north to the Oshkosh city limits was discussed. Commissioner Winters distributed an informational packet on the project. This final phase of the CTH I project requires additional funding to complete the design work on the four lane, curb and gutter portion of roadway. Construction on this portion of project will not take place for a couple of years. The total 1.2 million dollar project is being funded with approximately \$900,000 of State and Federal funds. Winnebago County will be responsible for the other 20%. After discussion, a motion was made by Supervisor Albrecht, seconded by Supervisor Warnke to approve a budget transfer of \$30,000 to complete the design of the CTH I reconstruction project from Ripple Avenue north to 35th Avenue in the City of Oshkosh. Motion carried 5-0. Chairman Robl signed the budget transfer.

General Operations:

- The intersection of CTH BB (the northern border of Winnebago County) and Bluemound Drive, east of USH 41 was discussed. Winnebago County has a shared maintenance agreement with Outagamie County on CTH BB. Recently it was brought to Mr. Winters' attention that Outagamie County is considering building a roundabout at this intersection and Winnebago County may be asked to cost share. Chairman Robl stated he would like the Committee members to tour the area so they are all aware of what is being discussed.

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- Commissioner Winters informed the committee that last week he attended a Traffic Incident Management training session. He shared the information that was presented at the meeting with the Committee members. The TIME program is designed for anyone who responds to accidents and incidents including law enforcement, highway departments, tow trucks, etc. The idea is to provide a consistency on how each entity responds and manages accidents, and to adopt a protocol shared by all. Mr. Winters stated that he has been named State Chairman for the TIME Coalition.

Chairman Robl stated that the next regular meeting will be held on March 16, 2015.

A motion was made by Supervisor Egan, seconded by Supervisor Olson to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

Laura Spanbauer
Highway Secretary