



**APPROVED MINUTES of the
Iowa County Transportation Committee
Monday, October 27, 2014
Iowa County Highway Department Conference Room
1215 N. Bequette Street
Dodgeville, Wis. 53533**

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| 1 | Meeting was called to order at 5:15 PM by Chair Greg Parman. |
| 2 | Roll Call was taken.
Member present: Sups. Anderson, Demby, Gollon, and Peterson.
Others present: Employee resources Leitzinger, Administrator Kephart, Commissioner Hardy, and Sup. Paull, Tri-county Airport Manager Higgs, and citizen Ann McGuire |
| 3 | Approve the agenda for this meeting.
Sup. Peterson moved to approve the agenda for this October 27, 2014 meeting. Sup. Demby seconded the motion. Motion Carried. |
| 4 | Approve the minutes of the August 28, 2014 meeting.
Sup. Demby moved to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2014 meeting. Sup. Peterson seconded the motion. Motion Carried with Gollon abstaining. |
| 5 | Comments or reports from the audience or committee members.

Ann McGuire spoke to the Special Events Ordinance as a legislative representative for ABATE (A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments) of Wisconsin. She stated ABATE's position with regards to the Iowa County Special Events ordinance is to have reference to all motorized vehicles which pay taxes and are registered with the state be removed from the Ordinance. She stated they are recommending that event organizers boycott Iowa County due to the Ordinance. Business owners have contacted her with regards to concerns for lost revenue as a result of the boycott, and she is interested in working with the county to continue discussion on the Ordinance. Ann commented these ride organizers would like to receive the same consideration as Funeral processions.
Sup. Gollon commented he does not have problems with motorcycle and vehicle groups hosting events in the county. But does have a problem with they stop traffic and divert roadway users as a result of their event operations. He stated funerals have certain rights provided to them by statute. Does not see why it is a hardship for event organizers to be required to have contact with local law enforcement and local entities for events they host. |
| 6 | Mark Higgs discussed the business operations, recent projects completed, budget, operations, and other aspects of the Tri-county airport in Lone Rock. He summarized major site changes near the terminal and restaurant as a result of some parking lot and drainage enhancements. And, relocation of and replacement of the septic field for the facilities. Summarized the project costs were \$400,000 with \$7,000 from each of the counties involved (Iowa, Richland, Sauk) and the balance from the state and federal programs. He summarized future projects related to sealcoating and crackfilling the main runway. Reported fuel sales up 25% which were attributed to fly-ins for the restaurant and corporate business flights. |

7	Draft 2015 50-50 Bridge resolution. Committee reviewed the proposed 50-50 bridge resolution in compliance with 82.08 of the Wisconsin State Statutes for township bridge and culvert project reimbursements. Motion by Gollon to forward to the County Board for consideration with the 2015 budget. Second by Demby. Motion carried.
8	Vehicle Registration fee reporting requirement, project backlog, project schedules and timelines. Commissioner Hardy stated the department has established separate accounts for both revenues and expenses related to the new revenue from the vehicle registration fees. Commissioner reviewed the project listing of backlog work to be performed. Comments with regards to the projects were scattered all over the county and all areas would benefit. Discussion with regards to the project backlog listing and finalizing the list for review by the committee at the next meeting and then the Board.
9	Review Highway department staffing charts and re-organizational model and costs of implementation. Commissioner reviewed staffing charts from 2009 to present, discussing operations, crews, job descriptions, positions, prior union grievances, vacancies, not filling of positions due to attrition to-date, and other aspects of positions compared to the recently completed classifications and compensation study. Discussion of how positions would be filled, creation of positions, and assignment of staff not in positions as listed in the re-organizational charts. Motion by Peterson to move the re-organizational chart discussion forward to Administrative Services Committee for consideration of an April 1, 2015 implementation date for the Highway Department staffing re-organizational model which includes creation of a new Operations Manager and working Crew Leadperson positions and hereby rescind any prior motions or action regarding position re-organization for the department. Second by Anderson. Motion carried.
10	Highway Commissioner's Report
11	A. September Revenue and Expense statement. Commissioner reviewed the September R&E statements noting revenues as on target and expenses running slightly under. Stating the department has held funds within county bridge construction by postponing the CTH HK bridge project with WisDOT and within preventative maintenance to cover some of the overruns from winter maintenance last spring. The department is anticipating being over budget in winter maintenance by up to \$360,000.
12	B. Performance based Maintenance contracts. Commissioner summarized the performance based maintenance contracts in the county on STH 14 and USH 151 for crackfilling. The county covered its' costs for the projects. Also, discussion of the STH 14 sealcoat project.
13	C. CTH X box culvert update. Commissioner advised the committee of progress on the FEMA CTH X box culvert replacement, hoping to complete everything except asphalt paving by November 4 th . The CTH IG box was completed under estimate. The CTH X box culvert was running a little over budget due to the amount/depth of topsoil under the roadway and amount of de-watering required during the work.
	D. GASB infra-structure value for 2004-2013. Review of the amounts of bridge, culvert, and road replacement work performed during 2004-2013.
	E. Salt contract purchases. Commissioner provided a summary of which entities in the county purchase salt through the county on the state letting. Discussion of delivery deadlines and amount available. With the county utilizing primarily a salt-sand mixture, the amount of salt utilized is down from prior years. Commissioner pointed out salt price is up approximately 10% this year at around \$69/ton.
	F. Building repairs – doors. Commissioner stated repairs were being made to the following building doors due to deterioration or storm damages: Dodgeville truck hoist bays, Mifflin salt shed, Hollandale shop.

	G. Update on lighting and dehumidification project. Commissioner stated preliminary plans have been completed for the dehumidification project and lighting design recommendations are underway. The department should be able to advertise both projects during November.
14	Next meeting date: 5:00 PM Monday, December 1, 2014, location to be determined. In addition, a Special meeting for a public hearing and discussion on the Special Events Ordinance will be held on Thursday October 18, 2014 at 5:00 P.M. at the Health and Human services Building Community Room.
15	Adjournment. Motion by Gollon. Second by C Anderson to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Craig Hardy

Highway Commissioner