IOWA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE October 27, 2008

The Transportation Committee met in the Highway Department Conference Room in the City of Dodgeville on Monday, October 27, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. and was called to order by Sup. Ron Berg.

Roll call was taken:

Committee members present: Sups, John Meyers, Ron Berg, Gerald Dorscheid and Dave Bauer.

Committee members excused/absent: Brad Wells. Bob Bunker, Mark Masters, Ron Benish and Larry Steffes.

Also present: County Administrator Randy Terronez, Highway Commissioner Leo Klosterman, Office Administrator Jeri Grabbert and Supt. Randy Sudmeier.

Sup. Dave Bauer moved that the meeting had been duly advertised. Seconded by Sup. John Meyers. Motion passed unanimously.

Sup. Gerald Dorscheid moved for approval of the October 27, 2008 agenda and October 7, 2008 minutes. Motion was seconded by Sup. John Meyers. Motion passed unanimously.

General Public/Member Comment:

- 1. Sup. John Meyers inquired on status of County Road K. Leo Klosterman responded that project is nearly complete with the guard rail yet to be installed.
- 2. Sup. Gerald Dorscheid inquired on status of the Knight Hollow and US-14 bridge projects and amount of single versus two-lane restrictions.

Highway Commissioner Report: Leo Klosterman reviewed the following items with the Committee:

- 1. County Road G neighbor incident that resulted in the County Sheriff's Department and State Highway patrol calls on account of an irate farmer causing damage to the road. The complaint has been forwarded to the District Attorney.
- 2. County Road K project is scheduled to be finished.
- 3. The hot mix plant closed for the season last week.

- 4. Grade Crews have been busy on various roads including C, Y and I.
- 5. FEMA flood project reimbursement is starting to come in.
- 6. The new tandem truck is scheduled to be delivered in the next week or so.
- 7. County H bridge project is scheduled for next spring and is estimated to take 40 working days to complete.
- 8. Department vacancies include one Truck Driver, Roller Operator and one 2nd mechanic. (Refer to discussion on the 2009 Budget Paint Program item.)

Old Business:

A. Drill and Blasting Quote

In regard to the quarry, the department has completed the construction of a berm and will be mulching the area. Discussion given on the blasting project and it was decided to bring item back to next month's meeting for additional discussion. Project could be undertaken in spring of next year. Discussion given on funding sources. It may be better to show the surpluses in the quarry and hot mix plant operations towards the 2008 budget deficit. A source of funds for the blasting project may be from a redirection of 2009 funds for the chip seal program.

B. Paint Program – 2009

The Transportation Committee at last month's meeting decided to continue the paint program into 2009 and maintain the existing paint truck. The filling of vacant positions was to have been undertaken. However, questions raised by the Administrative Services Committee have delayed filling the positions. The Administrative Services Committee is requesting to review the paint program issue at their November 4 meeting.

Extensive discussion given the operating constraints the current three vacancies place on the department. Sup. Ron Berg encouraged any member of the Transportation Committee to attend next week's Administrative Services Committee meeting. Randy Terronez was requested to contact the balance of the Transportation Committee to encourage their attendance at next week's Administrative Services Committee meeting. Sup. Ron Berg requested that the timeslot for this item be 5:45 p.m.

New Business:

1) Approval of Revised State/Municipal Agreement for the Highway Project (Hyde-Arena Road Knight Hollow Creek Bridge and Approaches), CTH H

Leo Klosterman reviewed agenda enclosure. Due to calculation error more funds are necessary for engineering. The extra \$12,000 will be taken from the requested seal coat program and an updated 2009 capital projects worksheet was distributed.

Sup. Dave Bauer moved and Sup. Gerald Dorscheid seconded to approve the revised State/Municipal Agreement for Hyde-Arena Road (Knight Hollow Creek Bridge and Approaches) CTH H with the extra \$12,000 to come from the 2009 Seal Coat project funds and subject to the adoption of the 2009 budget adoption. Motion passed unanimously.

- 2) The draft budget resolutions were distributed and Jeri Grabbert noted the changes from past years including obtaining copy from Juneau County and feedback from the DOT. Documents to be reviewed/acted on at next week's Administrative Services Committee meeting.
- 3) Sup. John Meyers inquired on the agenda enclosure on the WCA regional meeting on December 1 in Platteville. In the event he attends the Platteville session, he will not be at the December Transportation Committee.

The next regular Transportation Committee meeting is set for Monday, December 1, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sup. John Meyers, seconded by Sup. Dave Bauer. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Minutes by Randy Terronez