

MARQUETTE COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Highway Department Office Building Webex Remote Access Meeting July 19th, 2022 – Meeting Minutes

Call to order at 9:00 a.m. by Highway Committee Chair Dave Benson. Members of the committee present. Present: Dave Benson, Ken Borzick, John Bennett, Al Rosenthal and David Krentz. Other county officials present Brian Trebiatowski, Ron Barger and Brenda Petersen.

Moved by John Bennett and seconded by Al Rosenthal to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Moved by Ken Borzick and seconded by Al Rosenthal to approve the minutes from the June 21st, 2022, meeting. Motion carried.

Citizens Input- Discussion brought up by Al Rosenthal regarding the procedure for emergency response by crew for emergency tree removal. John Bennett thanked Brian and the Highway Department for the departments help with the Fair.

Township Questions/Comments/Concerns- Discussion regarding ATV/UTV routes. Multiple towns have recently approved the use of all town roads for ATV/UTV routes. Brian stated currently 64% of the CTH system is open for ATV/UTV use.

State Financial Report Review- RMA costs for June were \$28,751 which is 3.84% under budget for the month. The bulk of the costs were to miscellaneous maintenance, patching, mowing and patrol supervision. Remaining budget is \$436,976 for 2022. TMA costs for June were \$215 using up 1.16% of the \$18,600 total budget for 2022.

County Report Review- June costs were \$420,059 with \$400,778 in County Maintenance with most of the costs going to chip sealing and paver patching. Bridge Maintenance had \$1,480 in costs and the Overlay Maintenance costs were \$17,802. Remaining budget for 2022 is 1,079,393.

Town Report Review – Townships did a total of \$328,675 in work for June with \$75,736 being labor costs. Villages and City had \$327 in work with \$204 in labor costs. The current year labor comparison vs the 5-year average is up 28.86%. Comparing current year to last year labor is up 43.32%. The total GTA labor percentage has been met by 89% at the end of June.

Interdepartmental Report Review- Brian reported we sold 5,103.58 gallons of fuel to other departments in June. Average cost for the year is \$4.1875 for unleaded and \$4.0868 for diesel which includes the state tax of .309 per gallon.

Labor Percentage by Job Type Report- Brian reported year to date Labor Percentage for worked performed- County work is 54%, State is 20.58%, Townships are 23.55% and Interdepartmental is .90%.

State Project Review- MPM Approvals: RMA and TMA monthly invoices were approved in the MPM system by Brian and forwarded to the region for approval and payment. Brian reported there is a DMA approval for Bridge Sealing that will be done in July with a budget of \$35,000.

County Project Review

Brian reported that chip sealing for the year is completed. He also stated that the department will be skipping the fog sealing process for this year, after learning that Meigs earliest week available is the week before Labor Day. This will amount to around a \$100,000 savings for the Highway budget.

CHIP-D/MLS- Brian informed the committee that Vermeer has grinder available at a weekly rental rate of \$17,000 to further process the Metta material. They are willing to let the department try it out if Highway would pay for the trucking to get it here. Brian will be working on a time to coordinate getting the machine here, getting the material here from Metta and contacting the engineers to inspect the product after to make sure it is a product that can be used on the Causeway. Brian is also hoping we can combine this potential product with the Meister's product.

BIL- 2023/2026 no update yet. There is a regional meeting tomorrow. Brian is hoping for some update regarding the applications.

Town Project Review- Town work is progressing well, majority of paving will be completed in the coming weeks.

Local Bridge Project Update- CTH CX bridge is at 60% design stage, slated for construction next year. Town of Montello 14th Bridge is nearing 30% with plans expected late this summer, projected for 2024 construction.

Inter-Departmental Operations- Fairgrounds work was completed before the Fair and held up well.

Equipment/ Property Purchase and Disposal- Brian reported that we met the reserve on the loader and paver that were on the Surplus Auction. New loader will arrive next Monday and training will be held next week on the loader and the loader scale. Brian reported that the 2022 service and foreman's trucks had a 3-week window to order and that is since closed. Brian also reported he purchased 2 used flail mowers off the Surplus Auction and with doing that he can remove new mower tractors off the long-term plan freeing up \$150,000 each to be used on other equipment.

Positions and staffing update- None

WCHA Updates- Brian has registered for an Onsite Asphalt Recycling Seminar that will take place in August.

Upcoming Events/Issues/Correspondence- Brian reported he is trying to coordinate the County Road J paving with the I39 paving in hope of reducing the trucking of material by taking advantage of material that is being produced within the county.

Review Vouchers- Question on the large amount to Fabick which was for the paver training.

Dave Benson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:34 a.m.

Brenda Petersen, Highway Accountant

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