

BUFFALO COUNTY MINUTES

Committee of the Board: Buffalo County Highway Committee

Date of the Meeting: Tuesday, August 8, 2023

Chairman Mr. Weiss called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. in the conference room of the Buffalo County Highway Department, Alma, Wisconsin.

Board Members Present: Mr. Ruff, Mr. Weiss, Mr. Sendelbach, Mr. Michaels, Mr. Nelson

Others Present for All or Parts of the Meeting: Bob Platteter, Kelly Johnston, Dennis Earney, Lee Engfer, Colin Severson, and Sven Hovey

Public Comments regarding Agenda Items: None

Review/Discussion/Action - Minutes of the Previous Meeting: A motion was made by Mr. Sendelbach, seconded by Mr. Ruff to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, July 11, 2023. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action - Monthly Vouchers #29478 through # 29560 totaling \$763,752.09 were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Sendelbach seconded by Mr. Michaels to approve the monthly vouchers as presented. Carried.

Review/Discussion – Citizen Concerns Regarding County Road H and County Road HH Intersection:

- a. Discussion of CTH H/HH Intersection. County will place two chevron signs at curve for warning when heading South from Mondovi.

Review/Discussion/Action – Staffing:

- a. Hard to find someone to do janitorial duties at Alma Shop. One person is interested but would need to be placed as a part-time employee for tax purposes. Mr. Ruff made a motion to have Mr. Platteter and Mr. Engfer come up with a successful solution. Mr. Sendelbach seconded. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action – Equipment:

- a. A fuel truck was purchased from Barron County. Barron County pressure tested and repaired a pinhole that was found in one of the compartments. We do not need to have it inspected and certified, but we feel that it should be. The cost is \$1,200.00 for five years.

Review/Discussion/Action– Buildings & Grounds:

- a. A bid from Beef River Roofing and Construction was received for the sign shop garage door work needing done. Discussed and one more bid wanted.
- b. A bid for new security cameras in all the shops was received. Eight outdoor cameras, an environmental sensor for the office, one year license with a ten-year camera warranty for \$8,558.80. Discussion was had and the decision to have ten cameras was decided. Get the new estimate and get an estimate from the company that supplied the courthouse cameras.
- c. An estimate for security fence was received. 835 feet of fence, 2 electronic gates, and 1 manual gate for a total of \$62,600. Hold off for now.

Review/Discussion/Action– Roads & Bridges:

- a. CTH E bridge needs to be done before the start of crop harvest or wait until after crop harvest. Waiting on the Wheeler deck package to be delivered.
- b. Wedge about 4 feet of each lane on the outside edge from Danzinger Winery to the first CTH E/N Intersection. Possible fiber chipseal next year.

- c. Project at Dairyland Power started out as 4 areas, 8 areas total now. See about possibly doing 4 spots this year and 4 spots next year with billing going through the City of Alma.

Review/Discussion– Financial Report:

- a. Financial reports are complete through April. Revenues brought in are ahead of Expenses out.

Commissioners Report- Nothing to report.

Committee Chair Report – Working on ditching on CTH NN. A property owner on CTH D (Erickson Bluff) was given a cease and assist as all the work being done was not discussed. Land Conservation and DNR are also involved now because of all the work that was done without permits.

Next Meeting – The next meeting will be September 12, 2023, at 8:00 a.m.

Public Comments- Nothing to report.

Adjournment- Mr. Sendelbach made a motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Acting Secretary
Kelly Johnston