

MINUTES FOR THE HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING

**Vehicle Maintenance and Storage Facility
West Bend, WI**

**February 5, 2008
7:30 A.M.**

Present: Donald Berchem, Charlene Brady, Lawrence Hoffman, and Chairman Daniel Goetz. Also present: Highway Commissioner Ken Pesch and Assistant to the Highway Commissioner Barb Villwock. Mark McCune was excused.

Chairman Goetz called the meeting to order and read the affidavit of posting.

A motion was made by Mr. Berchem and seconded by Mr. Hoffman to approve the minutes of the meeting held January 22, 2008. Motion carried.

Commissioner Pesch indicated that he had issued the following permits:

1. To We Energies for installing a 12" high pressure main along CTH G from CTH NN northerly to CTH I in the Towns of Trenton and West Bend and City of West Bend
2. To We Energies for installing of a main crossing under CTH U approximately 691 feet north of Arthur Road in Town of Hartford
3. To AT&T for installing fiber optic cable starting along CTH G approximately 300 feet north of CTH T, then easterly on CTH T until Center Road in the Town of Jackson

Representatives from Graef, Anhalt, & Schloemer & Associates gave a presentation of the highway and bridge design services that GAS can provide.

A motion was made by Mr. Berchem and seconded by Ms. Brady to approve vouchers in the amount of \$76,219.28, a payment to Verizon in the amount of \$105.53, and a payment to We Energies in the amount of \$3,337.35. Motion carried.

The committee discussed the status of our road salt supply and requests by other municipalities to purchase road salt from Washington County this winter season. A motion was made by Mr. Hoffman and seconded by Mr. Berchem to table the issue.

Due to a citizen's request for the replacement of mailboxes damaged during snowplowing operations the committee reviewed our mailbox replacement policy. If one of our snow plows actually hits a mailbox while we are plowing snow then we will replace that mailbox. However, if a mailbox is knocked over by snow coming off of our plows then we do not replace the mailbox. The consensus of the committee was to continue to enforce the existing policy.

Ms. Brady and Chairman Goetz gave a brief summary of the topics addressed at the Winter Highway Conference held at the Kalahari Conference Center in Wisconsin Dells. The topics discussed included roundabout design, federal funding, work zone safety, de-icing products, and other transportation related issues.

Commissioner Pesch indicated that he received a request for the removal of the "Colgate" and "Lake Five" signs along CTH Q from Town of Richfield officials. Effective February 13, 2008, the Town of Richfield will officially become the Village of Richfield and these unincorporated hamlets will be located within the incorporated Village of Richfield. He also stated that village population signs will need to be installed on the county trunk highways leading into the newly created village.

Commissioner Pesch informed the committee that Winnebago County Highway Department will have the National Work Zone Memorial on display at the JP Koughlin Center located at 625 East County Trunk Highway Y in Oshkosh from March 3rd thru March 7th from 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. A ceremony will be conducted on Tuesday, March 4, 2008, at 10:30 A.M.

Commissioner Pesch informed the committee of the State Multi-Model Improvement Program and noted that the deadline for applications for funding in this biennium is April 18, 2008. The Highway Department has not applied for funding under this program in prior biennium.

A motion was made by Mr. Hoffman and seconded by Mr. Berchem to adjourn at 9:55 A.M. Motion carried.

Lawrence Hoffman, Secretary