

MINUTES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

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

**May 19, 2009
8:00 A.M.**

Present: Brian Bausch, Don Berchem, Joe Gonnering, Rick Gundrum, and Chairman Dan Goetz.
Also present: Highway Commissioner Jon Edgren and Assistant to the Highway Commissioner Barb Villwock.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Bausch to approve the minutes of the Transportation Committee meeting on May 5, 2009. Motion carried.

Commissioner Edgren indicated that the following permits were issued.

1. To Broadband Solutions for installing a new cable service boring under CTH H approximately 920 feet east of STH 144 in the Town of Farmington
2. To Time Warner Cable for relocating lines along CTH Y to facilitate the reconstruction project in the Village of Germantown

Commissioner Edgren indicated that the Village of Jackson had requested permission to open cut CTH P south of Apple Lane in lieu of boring under the road to install water main. The consensus of the committee was to continue requiring letters of credit from municipalities as a condition for approval of a permit.

The committee heard an appeal for a permit to construct a field entrance onto the south side of CTH T in the Town of Jackson. The Commissioner denied the permit because the property already has an access onto CTH T. The applicant requested a field entrance to enter the west side of the parcel because a drainage swale limits access to the west side when a crop is planted east of the drainage swale. The current access to the property is located east of the drainage swale. A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to grant an appeal for a field entrance onto the south side of CTH T in the Town of Jackson subject to the following conditions:

1. If the applicant changes the use of the field entrance in the future he will be required to appeal the upgrade to the Transportation Committee.
2. No other accesses will be granted to this parcel regardless of future land divisions.

Motion carried.

The committee heard an appeal for a permit to construct a Type C access onto the west side of CTH P in the Town of Polk. The commissioner denied the permit because the location of the proposed access does not meeting the spacing requirements in the Access Control Policy. A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to grant the appeal for a permit to construct a Type C access onto the west side of CTH P south of STH 60 n the Town of Polk. Motion carried.

Commissioner Edgren informed the committee that the design plans for the reconstruction of CTH P at the location of the permitted access above indicate that the pavement on CTH P will be 12 to 24 inches higher when reconstructed. A number of options to address the difference in elevation were discussed. No action was taken.

The committee discussed a permit, approved by the Transportation Committee on December 2, 2008, for a proposed field entrance onto the west side of CTH P north of the north entrance to Washington County Fair Park in the Town of Polk to enable the applicant to safely cross CTH P with a tractor to access his property on the east side of the road. The applicant requested to alter the use of the proposed access which required him to obtain a permit to upgrade the field entrance to a field/utility entrance. A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to approve a permit to upgrade the previously approved field entrance to a field/utility entrance onto the west side of CTH P approximately 575 feet north of the north service road to Washington County Fair Park in the Town of Polk with the condition that only one tower would be constructed with a maximum of three carriers utilizing the tower as indicated on the building permit. Motion carried.

Doug Johnson, Administrative Coordinator, and Commissioner Edgren updated the committee on the results of the SEWRPC Milwaukee Urbanized Advisor Committee meeting held in Milwaukee on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, regarding the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds. They informed the committee that the project to reconstruct CTH Q from US 41 easterly to Pilgrim Road in the Village of Germantown had been approved for funding. Issues relating to the effects the distribution may have on future entitlements were discussed. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Mr. Bausch and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to approve a 30-day unpaid leave of absence, to commence on June 4, 2009, in accordance with the union contract, for Blaine Selsing. Motion carried.

Upon review of the vouchers a motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Berchem to deny payment of \$25,000.00 as the 2009 donation to the East Wisconsin Railroad Consortium. Motion failed with Bausch, Gundrum and Chairman Goetz voting no. A motion was made by Mr. Bausch and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to approve vouchers in the amount of \$291,239.39. Motion carried.

Commissioner Edgren informed the committee of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation resurfacing project on STH 144 from US 41 to STH 33. The project will begin on Tuesday, May 26, 2009, and be completed in 30 working days.

A motion was made by Mr. Berchem and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to adjourn at 10:50 AM. Motion carried.

Rick Gundrum, Secretary