

DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

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

**September 22, 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. Berchem and seconded by Mr. Gonnering to approve the minutes of the meeting held September 1, 2009. Motion carried.

Commissioner Edgren indicated that the following permits were issued.

1. To WeEnergies to repair a broken valve box along the north side of CTH K approximately 315 feet east of Williams Road in the Town of Addison
2. To City of Hartford to install traffic signals at the intersection of CTH K with Monroe Street
3. To a property owner to pave an existing access onto the east side of CTH W approximately 275 feet north of CTH H in the Town of Wayne
4. To a property owner to pave an existing access onto the south side of CTH I approximately 925 feet west of CTH M in the Town of Trenton
5. To a property owner to pave an existing access onto the south side of CTH O approximately 3800 feet west of Terry Road in the Town of Erin

The committee discussed a concrete driveway and associated wall construction in the right-of-way along CTH NN. The property owner had previously been informed that he would need to remove all of the concrete from the right-of-way in accordance with the Washington County Access Control Policy. The committee reviewed the situation again and reconsidered the full removal based upon the benefit that the concrete wall may serve the County by helping to maintain the slope of land along the right-of-way. A motion was made by Mr. Berchem and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to grant a variance from the Washington County Access Control Policy and allow a concrete wall to remain as it exists today within the right-of-way of CTH NN behind the guardrail subject to the approval of the county attorney. Motion carried.

Joe Steier, Transit Manager, gave a status report on the Shared Ride Taxi and Washington County Commuter Express Bus (WCCE) programs. Various aspects of the transit operations were discussed including ridership, fuel usage, revenues, and expenses. Representatives from Riteway and Specialized Transportation Services were also present for the discussion.

Tim Hayes and Jason Duehring, Hayes Engineering, were present to review the proposed layout for the proposed Richfield Park and Ride lot and discuss the estimated construction costs. A motion was made by Mr. Berchem and seconded by Mr. Bausch to direct Mr. Hayes to prepare estimates for various alternatives to complete construction and present these proposed costs at a future meeting. Motion carried.

The committee discussed the section of CTH E near Rolaine Parkway and Glassgo Drive. The Traffic Safety Committee asked that the Transportation Committee discuss safety concerns of residents in the area relating to the curves and hills along this section of CTH E. Commissioner Edgren suggested that the committee could consider hiring a consultant to do a preliminary engineering study to determine possible safety enhancements. He also informed the committee that additional warning signs will be installed along CTH E. The consensus of the committee was to review the issue again after determining the effect the additional signage has on motorists traveling on CTH E.

A motion was made by Mr. Bausch and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to move into Closed Session to discuss negotiations regarding the possible sale of property along the CTH Y reconstruction project. Roll call was taken. Mr. Berchem yes, Mr. Gundrum yes, Mr. Gonnering yes, Mr. Bausch, yes, and Chairman Goetz yes.

Upon returning to open session a motion was made by Mr. Bausch and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to table the issue, research other options as discussed in Closed Session, and revisit the issue on December 15, 2009. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Gundrum and seconded by Mr. Bausch to approve vouchers in the amount of \$685,159.53. Motion carried.

Commissioner Edgren updated the committee on the status of the 2009 construction projects. Projects not completed yet are CTH Q reconstruction project and STH 145 roundabout construction project.

Commissioner Edgren informed that committee of a highway department meeting to be held on September 23, 2009.

The next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be on Tuesday, October 6, 2009, at 8:00 AM. and the Finance Committee will review the 2010 Highway Budget at 10:00 AM.

A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to adjourn at 11:03 A.M. Motion carried.

Rick Gundrum, Secretary