

## MINUTES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

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

**December 2, 2008  
7:30 A.M.**

Present: Brian Bausch, Joseph Gonnering, Rick Gundrum, and Chairman Daniel Goetz. Also present: Commissioner Ken Pesch and Assistant to the Highway Commissioner Barb Villwock. Donald Berchem was excused.

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

The committee conducted a public hearing to receive comments from citizens regarding Washington County's grant application for Specialized Transportation Assistance in 2009 in accordance with Wisconsin State Statute 85.21.

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, additional WCCE routes, revenues, and expenses. Representatives from Riteway and Specialized Transportation Services were also present for the discussion.

A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to approve the 2009 transit contracts with Specialized Transport Services, Riteway Bus, and Project Management Solutions, Inc. and forward the contracts onto the county board chair and county clerk for their signatures. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to approve the minutes of the meeting on November 18, 2008, subject to a minor change. Motion carried.

Commissioner Pesch indicated that he had issued permits for the following:

1. For relocating an existing access on the south side of CTH K approximately 800 feet east of Aurora Road in the Town of Hartford
2. For relocating cable along CTH Q to facilitate the DOT's roundabout construction project at STH 164 and CTH Q

A motion was made by Mr. Gundrum and seconded by Mr. Bausch to grant an appeal for a field entrance onto the west side of CTH P north of Washington County Fair Park in the Town of Polk. The commissioner had denied the permit because the property has access onto the north entrance to the Washington County Fair Park. Motion carried.

The committee discussed the access and grading plans for the Aurora Medical Center along the west of CTH P in the Village of Jackson. The commissioner recommended that we reconstruct approximately 1000 feet of CTH P in accordance with the current design plans to accommodate the turning lanes for the Aurora Medical Center access. The committee directed the commissioner to negotiate a possible cost sharing of this project with Aurora and Jackson Properties, the owner of the parcel on the east side of CTH P.

The committee discussed a resident's concern about on-street parking and its impact on snow removal efforts on STH 175 north of CTH K in St. Lawrence. The commissioner stated that the county plows are authorized by the DOT to plow the driving lanes and typical shoulder width – in this case – a 3-foot shoulder. The committee recommended that the complainant contact the Town of Addison for their assistance with the removal of snow from the parking lane.

A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Bausch to authorize the commissioner to inform the DOT that since the Town of West Bend has chosen not to accept jurisdiction of STH 144 between CTH K and STH 33, Washington County has no interest in accepting jurisdiction of STH 144 from US 41 to CTH K at this time. Motion carried.

The committee discussed the proposed Richfield Park & Ride Lot. The commissioner informed the committee that the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment had been completed by Cardinal Environmental on lot 15 of the Endeavor Industrial Park. The report indicated that in the opinion of Cardinal Environmental no recognized environmental conditions exist on the property for the

proposed park and ride lot. The commissioner informed the committee that a title report had been completed on the same property and the report was forwarded to the county attorney. The county attorney indicated the report was acceptable. A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Gundrum to direct the county attorney to proceed with drafting the offer to purchase, obtaining Village of Richfield approvals, and closing by year end. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Bausch and seconded by Mr. Gonnering to direct the commissioner to proceed with the quality based selection process for a design consultant by contacting three or more consultants and reviewing their qualifications for the design of the proposed park & ride lot in the Village of Richfield. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Gundrum and seconded by Mr. Gonnering to approve vouchers in the amount of \$251,532.65. Motion carried.

The commissioner informed the committee of a Traffic Safety Commission meeting to be held on December 3, 2008, at 9:00 AM in the Sheriff's new training room.

The commissioner informed the committee of a meeting of the East Wisconsin Counties Railroad Consortium to be held in Fond du Lac on December 10, 2008, at 10:00 AM.

A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Bausch to adjourn at 11:00 AM. Motion carried.

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Rick Gundrum, Secretary