

MINUTES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

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

**June 26, 2012
8:00 A.M.**

Present: Chairman Dan Goetz, Kenneth Brandt, Brian Krebs, Joseph Gonnering and Melvin Ewert. Also present: Highway Commissioner Jon Edgren and Assistant to the Highway Commissioner Tom Wondra.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Ewert and seconded by Mr. Brandt to approve the minutes of the Transportation Committee meeting held on June 12, 2012. Motion carried.

Commissioner Edgren indicated that the following permits were issued since the last meeting;

1. To a property owner to install a replacement culvert along the west side of CTH K in the Town of Erin
2. To WE Energies Electric to upgrade their main line over the CTH MY bridge in the Village of Newburg
3. To WE Energies Electric to upgrade their main line on CTH I at Esker Park Ct in the Town of Trenton
4. To WE Energies Electric to upgrade their main line on CTH I at CTH M in the Town of Trenton
5. To WE Energies Electric to upgrade their main line on CTH NN at Scenic Drive in the Town of West Bend

Commissioner Edgren presented the committee with a parade permit application from Kurt Liesener for the annual Kirchhayn parade. A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Ewert to approve the application subject to oversight by the Town of Jackson. 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.

Joe Steier, Transit Manager, presented the committee with a memo detailing agency fares. Of the 72 transit providers in Wisconsin, 37 are currently charging an agency fare. The fare would be set at a minimum level to cover the current portion of each ride that is county levy and the current average public fare. A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Brandt to implement a flat \$8.00 per ride agency fare for Managed Care Organizations effective January 1, 2013.

Commissioner Edgren presented to the committee with a preliminary draft of the narrative for the 2013 budget including the Mission Statement, Accomplishments for 2012 and Goals for 2013.

A motion was made by Mr. Krebs and seconded by Mr. Gonnering to approve vouchers in the amount of \$557,375.27. Motion carried.

Commissioner Edgren updated the committee on the status of various road construction projects in Washington County:

- CTH H Mitigation: Final seeding is being completed.
- CTH NN: Shouldering and striping is complete. The road is open to traffic.
- CTH DW: Shouldering and striping is complete. The road is open to traffic.
- CTH D: Bridge repairs are complete. Shouldering and striping is complete. The road is open to traffic.
- CTH A: Mill and repave over the Milwaukee River Bridge is complete. The road is open to traffic.

Commissioner Edgren was notified by Peter German, Washington County's Human Resources Director, that the Transportation Committee Chairman needed to appoint a representative to the Highway Union Bargaining Committee. Chairman Goetz named Ken Brandt.

Due to adjustments in the County Board meeting schedule, the Transportation Committee will meet on July 17, July 31, August 7 and August 21.

Chairman Goetz informed the committee that he received some complaints from residents regarding the sealcoating of CTH K between CTH E and CTH Q. Commissioner Edgren informed the committee that complaints during sealcoating are fairly common and to be patient as sealcoating is an important maintenance tool performed to asphalt roads to extend their lives. The loose gravel from sealcoating will disappear in about a week.

Commissioner Edgren notified the Committee that it has become evident that he will not obtain residency by the end of his current term as required by the Transportation Committee at his annual review. Therefore, based upon the Committee's expectations, Commissioner Edgren stated that he will not be seeking reappointment as the Highway Commissioner. Commissioner Edgren stated that he does intend to serve out the remainder of his term, ending January 7, 2013.

A motion was made by Mr. Brandt and seconded by Mr. Krebs to adjourn at 10:15 AM. Motion carried.

Joseph Gonnering, Secretary