

**WASHINGTON COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

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

**September 3, 2013
8:00 AM**

Present: Chairman Dan Goetz, Kenneth Brandt, and Melvin Ewert. Also present: Commissioner Tom Wondra, Assistant Highway Commissioner Chris Walter, and Accounting Technician Heather Robers. Joseph Gonnering arrived at 8:02. Supervisor Krebs was excused.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Brandt and seconded by Mr. Ewert to approve the minutes of the Transportation Committee meetings held on August 20, 2013. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wondra indicated that the following permits were issued since the last meeting:

1. To WE Energies Electric to upgrade a main line along CTH HH in the Town of Farmington.
2. To We Energies Electric to install a new electric service along CTH K in the Town of Hartford.
3. To AT&T to upgrade a main line along CTH M in the Village of Germantown.
4. To a property owner to pave an existing access along CTH D in the Town of Wayne.
5. To WE Energies Gas to upgrade a main line along CTH S in the Village of Kewaskum.

Representatives from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation including Brian Bliesner, Adrian Lopez, and Tom Longtin, were present for discussion on WisDOT projects and maintenance initiatives in Washington County. Concerns were addressed to the WisDOT representatives of the need to increase the vegetation budget allocation to account for the brush and trees growing along the highways that have not been cut for several years. Additionally, concerns from businesses located along an interstate were brought forth that there needs to be a better vision of their businesses. WisDOT Representatives handed out a map that showed the proposed six year plan and highlighted projects for reconstruction, real estate acquisition, bridge work, park and ride work and miscellaneous projects.

John Biereritz from Traffic Analysis and Design, Inc and Dean Frederick from Thomson Companies were present for discussion regarding a request to approve three access locations to a property east of Pilgrim Road on CTH Q. Discussion ensued regarding traffic impact at the parcel location. Concerns were addressed about the proposed design and the effects to the incoming businesses as well as the local residents. A motion was made by Mr. Brandt and seconded by Mr. Ewert to approve the three access locations pending a final design and a developer's agreement. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Brandt to approve the sale of .01 acre parcel of excess right-of-way on CTH H and CTH HH to an abutting property owner in the amount of \$1,952.70.

A motion was made by Mr. Ewert and seconded by Mr. Brandt to move into Closed Session to discuss pending litigation regarding Dale W. Peterson, Case Number 10CV1019. Roll call was taken. Mr. Gonnering yes, Mr. Ewert yes, Mr. Brandt yes, and Chairman Goetz yes.

After returning to open session, a motion was made by Mr. Brandt and seconded by Mr. Gonnering to have the Deputy County Attorney and Highway Commissioner proceed as discussed in closed session regarding the pending litigation with Dale W. Peterson.

A motion was made by Mr. Gonnering and seconded by Mr. Brandt to approve vouchers in the amount of \$55,065.66. Motion carried.

Assistant Commissioner Walter updated the committee on several Highway projects:

- The CTH P (PV to Rusco Rd.) tentative bid date will be November 1, 2013 with the approximate construction start date of April 2014.
- The Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner attended the Local Road Improvement Program training for the 2014-2015 program cycles.
- ARCADIS is designing a water main for West Shore Pipeline in the Town of Jackson and received a permit for work in the right of way to do soil borings outside of the pavement on CTH G.

Commissioner Wondra informed the committee that there would be a Traffic Safety Commission meeting on September 4, 2013. Jack Peters is resigning as Coordinator.

Chairman Goetz discussed the unusually hazardous transportation plans for schools. The unusually hazardous transportation plans will be discussed at the next Traffic Safety Commission meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Brandt and seconded by Mr. Gonnering to adjourn at 10:19 AM. Motion carried.

Joseph Gonnering, Secretary