

## **Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting**

December 11, 2007

Highway Office, 208 N. 8th Street, Medford WI 54451

**Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Lato called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Sweda, Werner and Zenner

**Members Absent:** Beadles

**Other Attendees:** County Board Chairman Metz, Luke Klink of The Star News, Operations Manager Sackmann and Commissioner Toepfer

**Approve Minutes:** Motion by Sweda/Zenner and carried to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2007 meeting.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Werner and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$393,885.87 and journal vouchers totaling \$268,141.53.

The commissioner reported on a Petition for Bridge Aid from the Town of Browning for a bridge load rating conducted on the Klinger Lane/E. Br. Little Black River bridge. The commissioner reported that the structure has a sufficiency rating of 32.5 and that a rating was warranted for the town to decide on a course of action for the bridge. The commissioner reported that he negotiated a not to exceed \$800 for the inspection and evaluation. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Zenner and carried to approve Bridge Aid for \$400.

The commissioner distributed a proposed design detail for the reconstruction of CTH O and Gibson which is scheduled for a cooperative city/county 2008 project. The commissioner will report to the committee on design and cost sharing at the next meeting.

The commissioner reported on a mill and relay project on the eastbound lane of CTH M from Black River Road to STH 13.

The commissioner reported that the department has purchased from the U.S. Forest Service the single row of red pines which remain on CTH D R.O.W. Removal will begin in late December.

The commissioner reported that the November Operations Summary Report indicates that the department is operating within established budgetary guidelines.

**Next Committee Meeting:** The next meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be January 15, 2008.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Sweda/Zenner and carried to adjourn @ 1:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Thomas R. Toepfer  
Highway Commissioner

## **Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting**

October 16, 2007

Highway Office, 208 N. 8th Street, Medford WI 54451

**Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Lato called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Beadles, Sweda and Zenner

**Members Absent:** Werner

**Other Attendees:** County Board Chairman Metz, Luke Klink of The Star News and Commissioner Toepfer

**Approve Minutes:** Motion by Zenner/Beadles and carried to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2007 meeting.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Zenner and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$138,196.12 and journal vouchers totaling \$45,585.15.

The commissioner presented a proposed 2008 Budget and Equipment Schedule as approved at the October 11, 2007 Budget Review Session. Motion by Sweda/Zenner and carried to approve the Budget and Equipment Schedule (attached) for presentation to the full county board.

The commissioner reported on severe wheel rutting on CTH M and on plans to mill to profile and overlay with a stronger mix of HMA. No action was taken.

Representatives from Ayres Associates joined the meeting and presented alternatives for the replacement of structures on CTH M and CTH D. No action was taken

The commissioner reported on an after the fact petition for bridge aid for the Town of Chelsea for the replacement of one 36" x 40' culvert on Norway Drive. The commissioner reported that the replacement was completed correctly for \$1,846.26. Motion by Beadles/Sweda and carried to approve the petition.

The commissioner presented a final 2007 County Bridge Aid Resolution (attached). Motion by Beadles/Zenner and carried to approve the resolution for presentation to the full county board.

**Next Committee Meeting:** The next meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be November 13, 2007.

**Adjournment:** With no further business, Zenner moved to adjourn the meeting; Beadles seconded. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
2008 EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE**

**RESOURCES**

2007 ESTIMATED MACHINERY EARNINGS	346,000
TAX LEVY EQUIPMENT	<u>154,000</u>

**TOTAL RESOURCES** **\$500,000**

**EXPENDITURES**

2 PATROL TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT	\$300,000
PAINT SUPPLY TRUCK	100,000
MOWER TRACTOR	60,000
SHUTTLE TRACTOR	30,000
BETTERMENTS AND UNANTICIPATED	<u>10,000</u>

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES** **\$500,000**

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
2008 PROPOSED BUDGET**

<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>	<u>ADOPTED 2007</u>	<u>PROPOSED 2008</u>
COUNTY TRUNK ROADS		
ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	900,000	1,000,000
WINTER MAINTENANCE	341,000	341,000
RESURFACE & SEALCOAT	951,599	1,209,554
FEDERAL BRIDGE	50,000	0
ADMINISTRATION	335,000	350,000
TRANSFER TO MACHINERY FUND	265,000	154,000
LOAN REPAYMENT	<u>54,500</u>	<u>0</u>
 TOTAL EXPENSES	 3,027,099	 3,054,554
 <b><u>REVENUES</u></b>		
TAX LEVY FOR COUNTY ROADS	1,593,700	1,916,864
TAX LEVY FOR EQUIPMENT	265,000	154,000
TAX LEVY FOR ADMINISTRATION	220,000	225,000
RECORDS AND REPORTS	115,000	125,000
STATE TRANSPORTATION AIDS	630,000	633,690
TAX LEVY FOR LOAN REPAYMENT	54,500	0
CHIP REVENUE	99,775	0
CHIP-D REVENUE	<u>49,124</u>	<u>0</u>
 TOTAL REVENUES	 3,027,099	 3,054,554
 <b><u>HIGHWAY TAX LEVY</u></b>		
LOAN	54,500	0
EQUIPMENT	265,000	154,000
ADMINISTRATION	220,000	225,000
COUNTY ROADS	<u>1,593,700</u>	<u>1,916,864</u>
 TOTAL HIGHWAY TAX LEVY	 2,133,200	 2,295,864

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TAYLOR COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

County Bridge Aid for 2007 Expenses

WHEREAS, the towns named below have filed petitions for county aid for bridge improvements under Section 81.38 of the Wisconsin statutes, said petitions are hereby granted and the county's share is appropriated as follows:

<u>TOWNSHIP SHARE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TOWN SHARE</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
<b><u>CULVERTS</u></b>			
Deer Creek	Elm	\$1,606	\$1,606
Hammel	Sawyer	3,814	3,814
	Division	4,846	4,846
Taft	Pinewood(amended 10-16-07)	1,985	1,985
Westboro	Fawn	2,025	2,025
Chelsea	Norway	923	923
<b><u>BRIDGES</u></b>			
Goodrich	Mink	2,917	2,917
Hammel	Division	1,993	1,993
Holway	Hamm (Design Contract)	4,022	4,022
Rib Lake	Layman (Design Est.)	3,700	3,700
Roosevelt	7 <sup>th</sup> Avenue (Paving Est.)	3,000	3,000
	Pinewood (Const. Est.)	20,000	20,000
Total County Share of County Bridge Aid			\$50,831

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this County Board of Supervisors does hereby levy a tax to meet said appropriations on all property in the county which is taxable for such purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

TAYLOR CO. HIGHWAY COMMITTEE  
COMMITTEE

TAYLOR CO. FINANCE

Wayne Lato, Chairman

Fred Parent, Chairman

Allen Beadles

Allen Beadles

Joseph Sweda

James G. Seidl

John Werner III

Joseph Sweda

Chuck Zenner

Chuck Zenner

**September 18, 2007**

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
Minutes of Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee was called to order by Chairman Lato at 1:00 PM on September 18, 2007 at the Highway Office in Medford, Wisconsin. Committee Members Beadles, Sweda, Werner, and Zenner, Shop Superintendent Ebert, Luke Klink of The Star News, and Commissioner Toepfer were present. NTC Representative Ray Lemke and John Fales joined the meeting at 1:15 PM.

Motion by Beadles/Werner and carried to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2007 meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee. The next meeting was scheduled for October 16, 2007.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Beadles and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$268,915.93 and journal vouchers totaling \$45,090.84.

The commissioner reported on a traffic study and discussions at the September Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee concerning the intersection of CTH E and CTH O. The commissioner reported that assistance is available from the Federal Highway Administration Safety Division. Motion by Zenner/Werner and carried to have the commissioner contact the FHWA for possible assistance.

The commissioner reported on negotiations conducted by Beadles, Zenner and himself to establish adequate R.O.W. adjoining the Higgins property on CTH E. The county will own 40 feet of R.O.W. from centerline and will maintain an additional 10 feet of permanent limited easement (PLE). Motion by Zenner/Beadles and carried to approve the agreement.

The committee discussed the possibility of allowing the North Central Technical College to construct a fire department training tower at the Medford Highway Department facility. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Werner and carried approving the concept with NTC and the commissioner to draft an agreement for presentation to the October Highway Committee.

The commissioner presented a draft 2008 Budget and Equipment Schedule (attached). After discussion, motion by Sweda/Werner and carried approving the proposals for presentation to Finance at Budget Review.

The commissioner reported that his current estimate for 2007 Bridge Aid is \$40,000.

The commissioner presented an approved project list for the 2009 – 2012 Local Bridge Program from the Bureau of Transit and Local Roads. The project list was approved for submittal at the June 19, 2007 meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee.

The commissioner reported that the department is currently replacing culverts for WISDOT on STH 64 in preparation for the 2008 resurfacing project west of Gilman.

Motion by Sweda/Beadles and carried to adjourn at 1:50 PM.

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
2008 PROPOSED BUDGET**

	<u>ADOPTED 2007</u>	<u>2008 2% INCREASE</u>	<u>IDEAL 2008 BUDGET</u>
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>			
COUNTY TRUNK ROADS			
ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	900,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
WINTER MAINTENANCE	341,000	341,000	341,000
RESURFACE & SEALCOAT	951,599	1,102,486	1,820,000
FEDERAL AID CONSTRUCTION (CTH D)	130,000	0	0
FEDERAL BRIDGE	50,000	0	0
ADMINISTRATION	335,000	350,000	350,000
TRANSFER TO MACHINERY FUND	265,000	154,000	154,000
LOAN REPAYMENT	<u>54,500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,027,099	2,947,486	3,665,000
<b><u>REVENUES</u></b>			
TAX LEVY FOR COUNTY ROADS	1,593,700	1,796,864	2,514,378
TAX LEVY FOR EQUIPMENT	265,000	154,000	154,000
TAX LEVY FOR ADMINISTRATION	220,000	225,000	225,000
RECORDS AND REPORTS	115,000	125,000	125,000
STATE TRANSPORTATION AIDS	630,000	646,622	646,622
TAX LEVY FOR LOAN REPAYMENT	54,500	0	0
CHIP REVENUE	99,775	0	0
CHIP-D REVENUE	<u>49,124</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
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<b><u>HIGHWAY TAX LEVY</u></b>			
LOAN	54,500	0	0
EQUIPMENT	265,000	154,000	154,000
ADMINISTRATION	220,000	225,000	225,000
COUNTY ROADS	<u>1,593,700</u>	<u>1,796,864</u>	<u>2,514,378</u>
TOTAL HIGHWAY TAX LEVY	2,133,200	2,175,864	2,893,378

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
2008 EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE**

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**TOTAL EXPENDITURES** **\$500,000**



**August 21, 2007**

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
Minutes of Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee was called to order by Chairman Lato at 1:00 PM on August 21, 2007 at the Highway Office in Medford, Wisconsin. Committee Members Werner, and Zenner, County Board Chairman Metz, Luke Klink of The Star News, and Commissioner Toepfer were present. Committee Members Beadles and Sweda were excused.

Motion by Zenner/Werner and carried to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2007 meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee. The next meeting was scheduled for September 18, 2007.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. After discussion, motion by Werner/Zenner and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$682,152.63 and journal vouchers totaling \$48,439.09.

The commissioner presented a State Discretionary Maintenance Agreement for \$20,000 authorizing the highway department to shoulder STH 102. Motion by Zenner/Werner and carried to approve the agreement.

After brief discussion motion by Zenner/Werner and carried to table agenda item 5.

The commissioner reported on the status of grievances 1-07, 2-07 and 3-07. No action was taken.

The commissioner reported on his effort to resolve a R.O.W. issue on CTH E. After discussion, motion by Zenner/Werner and carried to table the agenda item and to invite Mr. Higgins to attend a highway committee meeting.

Representatives from NTC were present to request building a splash tower on the county highway department grounds. Motion by Zenner/Werner and carried to table the agenda item.

The commissioner reported that his request to include the design and construction of CTH A (CTH DD – CTH E) as a 2009- 2012 STP-Rural project was approved as a \$360,300 design only project. Motion by Werner/Zenner and carried to proceed with the project.

The commissioner reported that there were no townships interested in removing the old salt storage building at the Medford site. The commissioner reported that he will advertise and accept bids for the purchase and removal of the structure. The commissioner reported that the new structure will require 3,000 T of pit run for the site prep, which is to be completed with department forces.

The July department operations summary indicates the department is operating within the appropriated budget.

Motion by Zenner/Werner and carried to adjourn at 2:05 PM.

**July 17, 2007**

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
Minutes of Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee was called to order by Chairman Lato at 1:00 PM on July 17, 2007 at the Highway Office in Medford, Wisconsin. Committee Members Beadles, Sweda, Werner, and Zenner, County Board Chairman Metz, Luke Klink of The Star News, and Commissioner Toepfer were present.

Motion by Beadles/Werner and carried to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2007 meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee. The next meeting was scheduled for August 21, 2007.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Zenner and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$248,470.51 and journal vouchers totaling \$47,236.04.

The commissioner presented a report prepared by MSA Professional Services evaluating thirteen bridges which were red flagged by WISDOT as a result of the legislative enactment of Act 167. The commissioner reported that eight bridges will require posting, four on the county trunk system (see attached). The total cost for the reratings was \$1,715.00 and the estimated cost for signing is \$3,200.00 for a total cost of \$4,915.00. The commissioner reported that the bridges will be posted as soon as the signs are ready. Motion by Beadles/Zenner and carried to support the action.

The commissioner reported on local concerns with the visibility at the intersection of CTH M and Hillcrest. The commissioner reported that the CTH M project will proceed as a resurfacing project, but he will apply for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funding and/or address the intersection as a stand alone project.

The commissioner presented a Petition for Bridge Aid for the Town of Taft for the replacement of one 36" x 72' culvert on Pinewood Drive, 1.3 miles west of Aspen. The commissioner reported that a field inspection has determined that replacement is warranted. Motion by Sweda/Werner and carried to approve the replacement at an estimated cost of \$5,000.

The commissioner reported on the following changes to the 2009 – 2011 Local Bridge Replacement Program:

- Remove P60-095 (Pinewood/N.F. Eau Claire)
- Add Replacement of P60-0955 CTH M/Lemke Creek
- Add Replacement of P60-0024 Berry/Spirit
- Add Replacement of P60-0111 Klinger/E. Br. Little Black

The commissioner reported that the Northcentral Technical College has expressed interest in the Taylor County Highway Department Medford shop as a possible location for the construction of a fire department training tower. The commissioner will include the item in a future agenda if requested by NTC.

Motion by Sweda/Werner and carried to adjourn at 1:40 PM.

## Act 167 Posted Bridges

07-12-07

### Taylor County

1. CTH A/Pine Creek, B60-006 45 T  
2.2 miles east of CTH DD
2. CTH M/Yellow River, B60-008 45 T  
1.1 mile east of CTH G
3. CTH M/Big Rib River, B60-007 45 T  
2.3 miles east of CTH C
4. CTH D/Silver Creek, B60-005 45 T  
0.8 miles west of STH 13

### City of Medford

5. Perkins/Black River, P60-703 45 T

### Town of Little Black

6. Apple/Black River, P60-161 45 T  
3.1 miles west of STH 13
7. Gravel/Correction Creek, P60-921 35 T  
0.5 miles west of STH 13

### Town of Hammel

8. Center/Washington Creek, P60-123 40 T  
0.9 miles west of CTH E

**June 19, 2007**

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
Minutes of Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee was called to order by Chairman Lato at 1:00 PM on June 19, 2007 at the Highway Office in Medford, Wisconsin. Committee Members Beadles, Sweda, and Werner, County Board Chairman Metz, Luke Klink of The Star News, and Commissioner Toepfer were present. Committee Member Zenner was excused.

Motion by Beadles/Werner and carried to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2007 meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee. The next meeting was scheduled for July 17, 2007.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Werner and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$552,550.50 and journal vouchers totaling \$54,153.35.

Commissioner Toepfer presented a Discretionary Maintenance Agreement with WISDOT for the construction of a joint salt storage facility at the Medford shop. The 60 foot by 96 foot building will be constructed with \$174,000 state and \$82,000 county funds. Motion by Beadles/Sweda and carried to approve the agreement.

The commissioner reported on discussions with a property owner on CTH E relating to the ownership of R.O.W. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Werner and carried to maintain possession of the R.O.W. and to have the commissioner negotiate with the individual to provide a mutually beneficial agreement.

The commissioner reported that he has submitted three bridges to WISDOT for the 2009 – 2011 Bridge Replacement Program:

P60-0917	CTH O/Correction Creek
P60-0951	Pinewood/N.F. Eau Claire
B60-0921	Old Hwy 13/Silver Creek

Motion by Beadles/Werner and carried to support the submission.

The commissioner reported on requests to restore the speed limit to 55 mph on STH 73 through Hannibal. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Werner and carried to make the recommendation to WISDOT.

Motion by Sweda/Beadles and carried to adjourn at 1:40 PM.

**May 22, 2007**

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
Minutes of Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee was called to order by Chairman Lato at 1:00 PM on May 22, 2007 at the Highway Office in Medford, Wisconsin. Committee Members Beadles, Sweda, Werner and Zenner, County Board Chairman Metz, Luke Klink of The Star News, and Commissioner Toepfer were present.

Motion by Sweda/Zenner and carried to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2007 meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee. The next meeting was scheduled for June 19, 2007.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. After discussion, motion by Beadles/Sweda and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$275,224.97 and journal vouchers totaling \$460.39.

The commissioner presented a quotation for the purchase of hot mix asphalt for the County Highway M CHIP Project. The commissioner reported that the quotation from American Asphalt was the only one received for \$33.90/ton at an estimated total of 11,000 T for \$372,900.00. Motion by Sweda/Werner and carried to award the quotation to American Asphalt.

The commissioner presented an after the fact Petition for Bridge Aid from the Town of Hammel for the emergency replacement of three 36" pipes on Sawyer Avenue. Motion by Sweda/Beadles and carried to approve the replacement at an estimated cost of \$7,000.

The commissioner presented a Petition for Bridge Aid from the Town of Deer Creek for the replacement of one 48" arch pipe on Robin Drive. The commissioner reported that inspection by department staff indicates that replacement is warranted. Motion by Beadles/Zenner and carried to approve the replacement at an estimated cost of \$4,000.

The commissioner reported that two department grievances are scheduled for action at the May 24, 2007 meeting of Personnel.

The commissioner reported that Rick Dowden will be assuming the position of Shop Superintendent temporarily during Fred Ebert's absence.

The commissioner reported that he has contracted with MSA to evaluate and rerate thirteen bridges in Taylor County in response to Act 167 Truck Loading.

The commissioner reported that WISDOT is beginning to solicit projects for the 2009 – 2011 STP-Rural Program. After reviewing the PASER Condition and Priority Map and discussion, motion by Zenner/Beadles and carried to submit the six mile section of County Highway A (CTH DD – CTH E) as a 2009 – 2011 candidate.

Motion by Sweda/Zenner and carried to adjourn at 1:40 PM.

**April 26, 2007**

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
Minutes of Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee was called to order by Chairman Lato at 1:00 PM on April 26, 2007 at the Highway Office in Medford, Wisconsin. Committee Members Beadles, Sweda and Zenner, County Board Chairman Metz, Forestry Administrator Ruesch, Luke Klink of The Star News, Kevin Jensen, Ed Schlosser, Shop Superintendent Ebert and Commissioner Toepfer were present. Committee Member Werner was excused.

Motion by Sweda/Beadles and carried to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2007 and March 13, 2007 meetings of the Taylor County Highway Committee. The next meeting was scheduled for May 22, 2007.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Beadles and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$238,711.28 and journal vouchers totaling \$96,024.74.

Westboro Town Chairman Ed Schlosser requested that Bridge B60-0921, Old Hwy 13/Silver Creek, be included in the 2009 – 2011 Bridge Replacement Program and requested county bridge aid for the project. Commissioner Toepfer reported that the bridge would qualify for federal replacement funding and estimated the cost at \$1,000,000. After discussion, motion by Zenner/Sweda and carried to include the bridge in the replacement program and to approve county bridge aid for the project.

Motion by Beadles/Zenner and carried to table Agenda Item 5.

The commissioner presented a Petition for Bridge Aid from the Town of Hammel for the replacement of a #72 arch pipe on Division Drive  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile south of County Road M. The commissioner reported that field investigations by department staff indicate replacement is warranted. Motion by Sweda/Beadles and carried to approve the petition.

The commissioner presented the department's 2007 construction projects. The major projects will be a CHIP project resurfacing County Road M (CTH E north to CTH Q) and a chipsealing project on CTH C (STH 64 to the south county line).

The commissioner updated the committee on negotiations with WISDOT to cost-share the construction of a new salt storage facility at the Medford shop. The commissioner reported that the department closed 2006 under budget by \$199,000. These funds are typically utilized for the following year's construction schedule, however the commissioner requested to utilize a portion for the department's share of the shed construction. The commissioner reported that the estimate for a 60' x 96' storage building (with site prep) is \$246,175. Costs would be split with WISDOT contributing two thirds and Taylor County contributing one third. After discussion, motion by Sweda/Zenner and carried to recommend the commissioner present the proposal to Finance.

The commissioner requested an attendance roster for the WCHA summer conference. Tentatively Lato, Werner, Metz and Toepfer will attend and Beadles may attend on Tuesday.

Committee Member Beadles and Commissioner Toepfer reported on their attendance at the WCHA Capitol Day in Madison. It was considered to be an effective tool in communicating transportation issues to our legislators.

The committee reviewed 2007 quotations for materials. After discussion, motion by Beadles/Sweda and carried to award the quotations as indicated on the attached 2007 Quotations Department Recommendations, noting that the purchase of 11,000 tons of E-1 HMA @ \$33.90/T from American Asphalt is for use on the County Road M CHIP and CHIP-D project.

The commissioner reported that he has received two grievances which he expects to resolve in-house.

The commissioner reported that WISDOT is soliciting projects for the 2009 – 2011 Local Bridge Program and the 2009 – 2011 STP-Rural Program. The commissioner will prepare candidates for committee review.

Committee Member Zenner reported on a recommendation from the Forestry Committee to evaluate the quantities and cost of production of materials in the department's Black River Pit, while recognizing the disposition is a Highway Committee decision.

Motion by Sweda/Beadles and carried to adjourn at 2:30 PM.

**2007 QUOTATIONS  
DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS  
APRIL 26, 2007**

<b><u>ITEM</u></b>	<b><u>RECOMMENDATION</u></b>	<b><u>COST</u></b>
<b>BITUMINOUS MATERIALS</b>		
Hot Mix Asphalt	<b>American Asphalt (Lissner)</b> CTH M CTH C Rutwedge	\$33.90/Ton \$36.44/Ton
HFRS 2	<b>Meigs</b>	\$1.4211/Gal
<b>CABC</b>	<b>All Quotations</b>	
<b>WASHED SAND</b>	<b>Medford – Melvin</b> <b>West End – Olynick</b>	\$6.85/CY \$4.88/CY
<b>CULVERTS</b>		
Galvanized & Aluminized HDPE	<b>Contech</b> <b>County Material</b>	
<b>SEALCOAT AGGREGATES</b>	<b>Melvin</b>	\$8.75/CY



**March 13, 2007**

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
Minutes of Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee was called to order by Chairman Lato at 2:00 PM on March 13, 2007 at the Highway Office in Medford, Wisconsin. Committee Members Beadles, Sweda and Zenner, Forestry Administrator Ruesch, Luke Klink of The Star News, Shop Superintendent Ebert and Commissioner Toepfer were present. Committee Member Werner was excused.

Motion by Zenner/Sweda and carried to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2007 meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee. Committee Member Zenner requested changes to the February 2, 2007 minutes. The next meeting was scheduled for April 17, 2007.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. After discussion, motion by Beadles/Sweda and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$459,406.22 and journal vouchers totaling \$170,529.59.

The commissioner presented a letter to the Taylor County Board of Supervisors providing a highway department perspective in regard to the disposition of the Pirus Road/Black River gravel pits. It was recommended to purchase gravel for 2007 projects and to look into alternate sites. No action was taken.

The commissioner reported that after discussions with the Town of Westboro he has pulled the section of "Old 13" out of the CTH D construction project.

The commissioner reported on a WCHA Legislative "Day at the Capitol" on April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. The WCHA Legislative Committee would like to see a commissioner and committee member from each county attend. Beadles and Commissioner Toepfer will represent Taylor County.

The commissioner presented a State Discretionary Maintenance Agreement contracting Taylor County to provide \$642,000 in pavement marking services on state trunk highways. Motion by Beadles/Zenner and carried to approve the agreement.

The commissioner reported that final bridge billings were received for the construction of the 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue bridge in the Town of Roosevelt. The commissioner reported that final 2006 bridge aid reimbursements to the Town of Roosevelt are: Pinewood/North Fork Eau Claire = \$1,400 and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue/North Fork Eau Claire = \$17,625 for a combined reimbursement of \$19,025. Motion by Zenner/Beadles and carried (with Sweda abstaining) to approve the bridge aid.

The commissioner reported on the possibility of Peterson Construction using CTH M during the spring load posting period to construct site preparation for Walmart. The commissioner recommended possible compensation alternatives. No action was taken.

The commissioner reported that the new spray patch machine has arrived and that he will be posting an operator position at a Class 1 rate.

The commissioner reported that timber recovered off of Taylor County highway right-of-way after power company cutting was awarded on bid to Luke Brunner Trucking for \$16,782.50.

The commissioner reported that the department awarded a bid from "Loadometer" of Baltimore, MD for the purchase of six Haenni wheel load scales for \$3,875.00 each.

The commissioner reported that the December operations summary report shows that the department closed 2006 with a \$199,000 surplus.

Motion by Sweda/Zenner and carried to adjourn at 3:00 PM.

**February 2, 2007**

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
Minutes of Meeting**

A special meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee was called to order by Chairman Lato at 11:00 AM on February 2, 2007 at the Taylor County Courthouse in Medford, Wisconsin. The committee met with the Forestry and Recreation Committee and discussed gravel production at the Black River pit on Pirus Road and the impacts to the shooting range.

The committee directed Commissioner Toepfer to estimate the quantity of gravel available at the site. No action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

**January 16, 2007**

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
Minutes of Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee was called to order by Joe Sweda at 1:00 PM on January 16, 2007 at the Highway Office in Medford, Wisconsin. Committee Members Beadles, Werner, Zenner, County Board Chairman Metz, Forestry Administrator Ruesch, Bruce Company Sales Representative Jerry Weedman, Luke Klink of The Star News, Shop Superintendent Ebert and Commissioner Toepfer were present. Chairman Lato was excused.

Motion by Beadles/Zenner and carried to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2006 meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee. The next meeting was scheduled for February 20, 2007.

Shop Superintendent Ebert reported on his review of proposals for a used spray patch unit. Ebert recommended purchasing the lowest bid Schwartz spray patch unit mounted on a 2006 GMC T7500 chassis. The unit has approximately 4800 miles with 63 hours of patching operations. The unit was negotiated for a sale price of \$146,000. Motion by Werner/Beadles and carried to purchase the spray patch unit from Bruce Equipment for \$146,000.

The commissioner presented a wetland assessment/delineation for the department's Black River Pit. After discussion, motion by Beadles/Werner and carried to table the item.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. After discussion, motion by Zenner/Werner and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$190,190.09 and journal vouchers totaling \$47,429.15.

The commissioner reported on a request from Michaels Pipeline/Enbridge representatives to permit overweight machinery (up to 150,000#) on CTH H during the 2007 spring breakup. The committee discussed the certainty of road damage and past experiences where recouping funds for restoration was difficult or impossible. The commissioner recommended an upfront charge to the utility of \$100,000/mile which would provide for Taylor County to resurface the highway after the pipeline construction. Motion by Zenner/Beadles and carried to present the proposal to Enbridge representatives.

The commissioner presented an amended 2006 Bridge Aid Reimbursement Schedule. Motion by Werner/Beadles and carried approving the schedule for presentation to Finance.

The commissioner reported that the department purchased a permit from the U.S. Forest Service for \$252 allowing the department to salvage the timber cut by Jump River Electric on USFS easements on CTH D.

Motion by Zenner/Werner and carried to adjourn at 2:00 PM.