

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

December 18, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Lemke, Soper and Zenner

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: County Board Chairman Jim Metz, Forestry Administrator Brad Ruesch, Brian Wilson of The Star News and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried to approve the agenda with 9 items.

Approve Minutes: Motion by Zenner/Soper and carried to approve the minutes of the November 27 meeting.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$171,783.34 and journal vouchers totaling \$57,621.55.

Agenda Item 4, CTH D Village of Rib Lake Sidewalk, was tabled.

The County ATV Policy was discussed. Brad Ruesch will contact the IT Department to have a map with the county ATV routes placed on the Taylor County website. The town routes will not be placed on the map at this time. No action was taken.

Ruesch left the meeting at 1:25.

Commissioner Sackmann presented resolutions honoring retiring employees David Frey, Jeffrey Thums and John Hein. Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to approve the resolutions.

The commissioner requested authorization to hire two employees to fill openings created by recent retirements. The commissioner explained that the state legislature may authorize additional routine maintenance funds which would enable the department to utilize more labor on state projects. After discussion, motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to hire one employee to start after January 1, 2013. The request will be forwarded to the Personnel Committee for approval. If additional funds are authorized for state work, the commissioner may again request authorization to hire additional staff.

The commissioner informed the committee that an additional 20% in funding for the County Road D project has been approved by the state. This addition still leaves the county \$175,000 short of the construction estimate. A May bid is expected for 2013 construction.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be January 22, 2013

Adjournment: Motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried to adjourn at 1:40 P.M.

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

November 27, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Lemke, Soper and Zenner

Members Absent: Fuchs

Other Attendees: County Board Chairman Jim Metz, Forestry Administrator Brad Ruesch, Don and Sandra Liske of the Taylor County ATV Club, Brian Wilson of The Star News and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Approve Minutes: Motion by Zenner/Soper and carried to approve the minutes of the October 23 meeting.

Motion by Lemke/Zenner and carried to approve the agenda with 8 items.

Commissioner Sackmann presented maps submitted by the Taylor County ATV Club with proposed ATV Routes. The ATV Club will prioritize the routes and notify the highway department when funding is available for signing each route. Signing will include the 16 year age restriction. The routes will become official once the highway department has signed them and they are published on the Taylor County website. After discussion, motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried to approve the following routes:

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| • CTH M | From CTH C to Forest Dr | 1.00 mile |
| • CTH M | From River Rd to Hetland Rd | .50 miles |
| • CTH G | From Beaver Creek Rd to CTH M | 4.00 miles |
| • CTH B | From Trucker Ln to STH 64 | .75 miles |
| • CTH O | From Deer Creek Hall Dr to Browning Grahl Dr | .50 miles |
| • CTH C | From Willow to Deer Creek Lekie Dr | .50 miles |
| • CTH M | From Wintersports Rd to Schoolhouse Rd | |
| • CTH C | From Price Co. Line to Bear Ave | 1.00 mile |
| • Rustic Rd | From CTH C to CTH D | 4.00 miles |
| • CTH D | From Rustic Rd to Westboro Business 13 | 2.00 miles |

Ruesch and the Liskes left the meeting at 1:50.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Soper/Zenner and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$259,634.68 and journal vouchers totaling \$59,046.54.

The commissioner presented information on the security system that is being installed at the main shop of the highway department. He explained that there will be six cameras on the outside of the building and two inside. The IT Department will need to approve internet access for remote checking of the building which may occur in the future. After discussion, motion by Lemke/Soper and carried (Zenner voting no) to approve the security system.

The commissioner requested authorization to hire one employee to fill an opening created by a recent retirement. He explained that two more employees have retired but are still on the payroll using their vacation. Two employees are currently out on medical leave through the end of the year. After discussion, motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried (Mildbrand voting no) to hire one employee to start after January 1, 2013.

The commissioner updated the committee on the Hannibal salt storage cleanup. He also reported on the County Highway D and County Highway M projects.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be December 18, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Zenner/Soper and carried to adjourn at 2:35 P.M.

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

October 23, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Lemke, and Zenner; Soper joined the meeting at 1:05

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: Forestry Administrator Brad Ruesch, Brian Wilson of The Star News and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Approve Minutes: Motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried to approve the minutes of the September 18 meeting.

Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to approve the agenda with 10 items.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Lemke/Zenner and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$296,452.70 and journal vouchers totaling \$59,387.64.

A resolution was presented to support adequate funding for rail preservation, to be forwarded to area legislators. After discussion, motion by Fuchs/Lemke to approve the resolution in anticipation of an additional resolution by the Wisconsin County Highway Association requesting adequate funding for roadways. A roll call vote was taken: Fuchs aye, Soper no, Zenner aye, Lemke aye and Mildbrand no. Motion carried.

Brad Ruesch addressed the changes to Chapter 44 that will be presented to the County Board. The wording for the age restrictions has been changed to match what is anticipated to be passed by the State. Motion by Fuchs/Soper to send the changes to Chapter 44 of the Taylor County Code to the County Board for approval. A roll call was taken: Zenner no, Lemke aye, Fuchs aye, Soper aye and Mildbrand aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Mildbrand led a discussion on the Highway Department ATV Policy. Motion by Fuchs/Lemke to approve the policy pending approval by County Board. No action taken. Fuchs/Lemke amended the original motion to add wording "providing there is no alternate route" to the policy regarding trails to a local retail business. Motion carried.

Ruesch left the meeting at 1:55.

Commissioner Sackmann presented the 2013 State Routine Maintenance Agreement. The agreement is for \$655,600 which is \$13,500 less than 2012. Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to approve the agreement.

Supervisor Lemke will represent Taylor County at the Winter Highway Conference in January. Supervisors Metz and Zenner may also attend.

Commissioner Sackmann reported that three department employees have recently retired, or will be retiring before the end of the year. One employee will be out on Family Medical Leave through the end of the year.

The commissioner reported on recent training he attended in Madison. He also reported on current department projects and the knockdown of a lighted stop sign at the County Road O & E intersection. The cost of the sign is approximately \$1,700.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be November 27, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Soper/Fuchs and carried to adjourn at 2:20 P.M.

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

September 18, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Lemke, Soper and Zenner

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: County Board Chairman Jim Metz, Forestry Administrator Brad Ruesch and Bob Lee. Brian Wilson of The Star News joined meeting at 1:13

Approve Minutes: Motion by Soper/Fuchs and carried to approve the minutes of the August 21 meeting.

Motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried to approve the agenda with 11 items.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$178,764.71 and journal vouchers totaling \$69,667.91.

Brad Ruesch presented proposed changes to Chapter 44. After discussion, motion by Fuchs/Soper to approve the changes to Chapter 44 with an addition on page 5, item 5, stating "All 12 – 15 year olds driving an ATV or UTV are required to be with a parent or guardian and must have a valid safety certificate." Motion carried with Lemke and Zenner voting No.

The Highway ATV Policy discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

Commissioner Sackmann presented a Petition for Bridge Aid from the Towns of Greenwood and Rib Lake for shared culvert replacements 1.8 miles east of County Road C on Wood Creek Avenue with a total cost of \$12,052.82. Motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried to approve the petition. Fuchs abstained.

The commissioner presented four Petitions for Bridge Aid from the Town of Little Black for culvert replacements:

• Pine Avenue over Pine Creek	Total Cost	\$32,728.80
	FEMA Payment	<u>-19,415.24</u>
	Balance	\$13,313.54

Motion by Lemke/Fuchs and carried to approve the petition.

• Pine Avenue west of Sunset Drive	Total Cost	\$37,345.74
	FEMA Payment	<u>-34,557.04</u>
	Balance	\$2,788.70

Motion by Soper/Fuchs and carried to approve the petition.

• Sunset Drive over Pine Creek	Total Cost	\$36,448.02
	FEMA Payment	<u>-31,361.11</u>
	Balance	\$5,086.91

Motion by Lemke/Fuchs and carried to approve the petition.

• Apple Avenue at State Highway 13	Total Cost	\$3,555.86
	FEMA Payment	<u>-3,017.51</u>
	Balance	\$538.35

Motion by Fuchs/Soper and carried to disapprove the petition based on the size (18") of the pipe which makes it ineligible.

Commissioner Sackmann presented the 2012 Bridge Aid Resolution. Motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried to approve the resolution and forward to the Finance Committee.

The Shop Superintendent/Airport Manager position was discussed. Airport Committee Chairman Zenner praised Shop Superintendent Ebert and Commissioner Sackmann for making the current arrangement work. Airport Committee Member Lee agreed that the arrangement is working well. Motion by Lemke/Fuchs and carried to continue the sharing of duties at the airport indefinitely. The recommendation will be passed on to the Personnel Committee.

The Commissioner distributed the agenda for the October 25 Commissioner and Committeemen's meeting hosted by Clark County.

He also reported the CTH O/Correction Creek Culvert project is complete and the road is open. The O & E intersection project is progressing.

The commissioner gave an update on the status of the Hannibal salt cleanup. He also reported on maintenance activities that are taking place.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be October 23, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Soper/Fuchs and carried to adjourn at 2:10 P.M.

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

August 21, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Lemke, Soper and Zenner

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: County Board Chairman Jim Metz, Corporation Counsel Ken Schmiede, Forestry Administrator Brad Ruesch, Don Liske of Taylor County ATV Club, Brian Wilson of The Star News, and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Approve Minutes: Motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried to approve the minutes of the July 17 meeting.

Motion by Fuchs/Lemke and carried to approve the agenda with 10 items.

Forestry Administrator Brad Ruesch led a discussion on the draft amendments to Chapter 44 of the Taylor County Code that was distributed to committee members. After discussion, it was decided that Ruesch and Corporation Counsel Schmiede will incorporate the changes discussed and update the ordinance for presentation at the September Highway Committee meeting.

Committee Chairman Mildbrand will draft a Highway Department ATV policy for consideration at the September meeting.

Motion by Lemke/Fuchs and carried (Zenner opposed) to approve an ordinance to create Section 27.30 of the Taylor County Code authorizing snowmobile, ATV and UTV routes on county highways.

Schmiede, Ruesch and Liske left the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$265,488.22 and journal vouchers totaling \$60,919.82.

Commissioner Sackmann presented a Petition for Bridge Aid from the Town of Pershing for the replacement of culverts on North Loop Road. The estimated cost of replacement is \$1,800.00. Motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried to approve the petition.

The commissioner presented a Petition for Bridge Aid from the Town of Rib Lake to replace culverts on West Rib Road. The estimated cost of the replacement is \$8,200.00. Motion by Fuchs/Zenner and carried to approve the petition.

Commissioner Sackmann presented a 2013 budget proposal. The proposal included three options: 0% increase, 5% increase and an ideal budget. The ideal budget would allow for paving 15 miles of county roads which is the annual mileage necessary to achieve a 16 year road life.

Motion by Zenner/Lemke to approve the 5% increase in the highway budget for presentation to the Budget Review Committee. Zenner and Lemke voting aye; Fuchs, Mildbrand and Soper voting no. Motion failed.

Motion by Fuchs/Soper and carried to approve the 0% budget for presentation to the Budget Review Committee. Lemke and Zenner voting no.

Metz, Lemke and Wilson left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

The commissioner presented a resolution approving the 2013 Equipment Schedule. After discussion, motion by Fuchs/Soper and carried to approve the resolution and forward it to the Finance Committee.

The commissioner reported that the Correction Creek/Hwy O culverts replacement project began on Monday and is expected to be completed in four weeks.

The commissioner also reported that the County Roads O and E Intersection Project will begin after Labor Day.

Commissioner Sackmann reported that he sent a letter of dissatisfaction to American Asphalt at the request of the committee at the July meeting. American Asphalt credited the department with \$8,000.00.

Chairman Mildbrand questioned the placement of a political sign on county property at the Rib Lake shop. The commissioner explained that the sign is not on county property, but on property of the Village of Rib Lake.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be September 18, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Fuchs/Soper and carried to adjourn at 2:45 P.M.

Docket No. _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2013 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE.

WHEREAS, Chapter 18.01, Section (1) of the Taylor County Code requires annual County Board of Supervisors approval of the Equipment Schedule for purchase of equipment, buildings and grounds and betterments by the Highway Department and,

WHEREAS, the Highway Committee and Highway Department have completed an itemized estimate of expenditures and resources for the purchase of highway equipment for 2013 as follows:

2012 Estimated Machinery Earnings	\$250,000
2012 Equipment Fund Carryover	<u>\$200,000</u>
Total Resources	\$450,000
2 Patrol Trucks	\$320,000
Mower Tractor	\$85,000
Tanker Trailer	\$25,000
Betterments and Unanticipated	<u>\$20,000</u>
Total Expenditures	\$450,000

WHEREAS, the Taylor County Highway Committee approved the proposed 2013 Equipment Schedule on August 21, 2012,

WHEREAS, the Taylor County Finance Committee approved the proposed 2013 Equipment Schedule on _____, 2012,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors, duly assembled on this ____ day of October, 2012, does hereby approve the 2013 Highway Department Equipment Schedule.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE:

Scott Mildbrand, Chair

Dennis Fuchs

Dave Lemke

Ray Soper

Charles Zenner

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Charles Zenner, Chair

Tim Hansen

Scott Mildbrand

Dave Krug

Dennis Fuchs

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
2013 PROPOSED BUDGET**

	<u>Adopted 2012</u>	<u>0% Increase</u> *Pave 5.3 miles	<u>5% Increase</u> *Pave 6 miles	<u>Ideal Budget</u> *Pave 15 miles
<u>EXPENSES</u>				
County Trunk Roads				
Routine Maintenance	\$1,000,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
Winter Maintenance	\$400,000	\$450,000	\$450,000	\$450,000
Resurface & Sealcoat	\$1,215,363 *	\$910,117 *	\$1,017,827 *	\$2,550,000
Federal Aid Construction (CTH D)	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
Federal Bridge	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Administration	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
Transfer to Machinery Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Expenses	\$3,065,363	\$3,060,117	\$3,167,827	\$4,700,000
<u>REVENUES</u>				
Tax Levy for County Roads	\$1,929,197	\$1,929,197	\$2,036,907	\$3,569,080
Tax Levy for Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Tax Levy for Administration	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$225,000
Records & Reports	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$175,000
State Transportation Aids	\$637,779	\$633,057	\$633,057	\$633,057
CTH D Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CHIP Revenue	\$98,387	\$97,863	\$97,863	\$97,863
CHIP-D Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenues	\$3,065,363	\$3,060,117	\$3,167,827	\$4,700,000
<u>HIGHWAY TAX LEVY</u>				
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Administration	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$225,000
County Roads	\$1,929,197	\$1,929,197	\$2,036,907	\$3,569,080
Total Highway Tax Levy	\$2,154,197	\$2,154,197	\$2,261,907	\$3,794,080

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

July 17, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Lemke, and Soper

Members Absent: Zenner

Other Attendees: County Board Chairman Jim Metz, Brian Wilson of The Star News, and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Approve Minutes: Motion by Fuchs/Lemke and carried to approve the minutes of the June 19 meeting.

Motion by Soper/Lemke and carried to approve the agenda with 7 items.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Fuchs/Soper and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$910,832.29 and journal vouchers totaling \$60,394.02 and directing the highway commissioner to send a letter to American Asphalt expressing the dissatisfaction of the highway committee with the asphalt production levels during the recent paving operations.

Agenda Item 4 was tabled and will be addressed at the August Highway Committee meeting.

Commissioner Sackmann informed the committee of a past due bill for the replacement of a sign that was knocked down in a motor vehicle accident that occurred in February. Three collection attempts have been made with no response from the driver. Motion by Fuchs/Lemke and carried to authorize pursuing a small claims action for this bill. The motion also included authorizing the highway commissioner to pursue small claims actions on any future bills after three months of collection efforts and a thirty day notice to the responsible party.

The commissioner reported that county paving operations are complete. Pavement marking on the newly paved roads will take place on Thursday. The commissioner commended the department staff for their work during the two hottest weeks of the year. He felt the results were excellent.

The commissioner reported that the Correction Creek/Hwy O culverts are scheduled to be replaced beginning August 20. County Highway O will be closed for 20 working days.

The commissioner also reported that the County Roads O and E Intersection Project will begin in September. County Road E will be closed for approximately 20 working days during this project.

The commissioner updated the committee on the Hannibal Salt Contamination project. The engineers hired for this project hope to have a closure by the end of July.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be August 21, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Fuchs/Lemke and carried to adjourn at 1:30 P.M.

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

June 19, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Lemke, Soper and Zenner

Members Absent:

Other Attendees:

County Board Chairman Jim Metz, Forestry Administrator Brad Ruesch, Brian Wilson of The Star News, Dawn Wells, Steve VandenHeuvel, John and Patricia Hemmy and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Approve Minutes: Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to approve the minutes of the May 15 meeting.

Motion by Lemke/Zenner and carried to approve the agenda with 7 items.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$443,835.89 and journal vouchers totaling \$59,931.83.

Dawn Wells addressed the committee with her safety concerns for the intersection of County Road M and Hillcrest Road in the Town of Chelsea. The Town of Chelsea is proposing purchasing property from Ms. Wells in order to move the intersection to create safer access to County Road M. Ms. Wells requested the Taylor County Highway Department share the cost of moving this intersection. After discussion concerning alternatives to address the problem, motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried (Mildbrand abstaining) to allow the new access location and authorizing the highway department to pave the approach of the relocated road to County Road M not to exceed \$1,500.00. Wells, VandenHeuvel and the Hemmy's left the meeting at 1:35 P.M.

Chairman Mildbrand led a discussion of a draft ATV ordinance. After discussion it was decided that Brad Ruesch will revise the ordinance and present the revisions to the ATV subcommittee for review. After review by the subcommittee, the ordinance will be brought back to the highway committee for approval before being submitted for County Board approval. Ruesch left the meeting at 2:10.

Commissioner Sackmann reported that the department plans to begin county paving operations tomorrow with an approximate 8 day duration. Mowing operations are currently taking place.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be July 17, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to adjourn at 2:15 P.M.

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

May 15, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Lemke, and Zenner

Members Absent: Soper

Other Attendees: County Board Chairman Jim Metz, Forestry Administrator Brad Ruesch, Brian Wilson of The Star News and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Approve Minutes: Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to approve the minutes of the April 23 meeting.

Motion by Lemke/Fuchs and carried to approve the agenda with 8 items. Item 7 was removed.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$331,478.04 and journal vouchers totaling \$56,621.84.

A draft ATV Ordinance was discussed. Among the items discussed were:

- Use of the DNR ordinance form or model after Price County ordinance
- Age limit of operators
- Dates of allowable operation
- Connecting routes only

The consensus of the committee was to try to keep the ordinance as similar to the state statutes as possible. It is hoped that the towns will adapt their ordinances to maintain consistency with the county ordinance. Brad Ruesch recommended including UTV's in the ordinance.

Chairman Mildbrand will meet with the ATV subcommittee and bring an updated draft ordinance to the June Highway Committee Meeting that, if approved, will be presented to the full county board.

Ruesch and Metz left the meeting at 2:00.

Commissioner Sackmann presented two petitions for Bridge Aid from the Town of Greenwood. The first was for the replacement of culverts on Joe Martin Drive. The replacement is warranted with an estimated cost of \$2,000.00.

The second petition is for the replacement of culverts on Timber Drive with an estimated cost of \$2,420.00. The replacement is warranted.

Motion by Zenner/Lemke and carried (Fuchs abstained) to approve the two petitions.

The commissioner presented a Petition for Bridge Aid from the Town of Goodrich for the replacement of a steel culvert on Rinehart Drive. The replacement is warranted and has an estimated cost of \$7,200.00. Motion by Fuchs/Zenner and carried to approve the petition.

The commissioner reported that the graveling is complete on the Rustic Road. 4,300 yards of gravel were placed. Some drainage issues will be addressed this week and dust control will be applied later this month.

The commissioner will attend a Public Lands Highway meeting on Thursday where he will receive additional information regarding funding for the County Road M project.

Commissioner Sackmann reported that the department will begin county road construction projects at the end of the month and hope to have them completed by July 4.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be June 19, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Fuchs/Zenner and carried to adjourn at 2:10 P.M.

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

April 23, 2012

3rd Floor Board Room, Courthouse

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Lemke, Soper, and Zenner

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: Sheriff Bruce Daniels, Forestry Administrator Brad Ruesch, Various ATV Club Members, Brian Wilson of The Star News and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Approve Minutes: Motion by Zenner/Fuchs and carried to approve the minutes of the March 27 meeting.

Chairman Mildbrand welcomed new committee member Dave Lemke.

Motion by Lemke/Fuchs and carried to approve the agenda with nine items.

Members of the ATV clubs expressed interest in opening approximately 11 miles of county highways to ATV use.

Dan Virnig, president of the Price County ATV Club and the Price County Tavern League presented information on Price County's policies regarding ATV's using county highways. Mr. Virnig stressed the fact that he worked closely with the Price County Highway Committee and other county officials to develop an ordinance allowing ATV use of county roads from May 15 to October 15 each year. Mr. Virnig presented the details of the Price County plan.

After discussion, motion by Zenner/Lemke to move forward with developing an ordinance that will be brought back to the Highway Committee for discussion. A roll call vote was taken with Soper, Zenner, Lemke and Mildbrand voting aye. Fuchs abstained. Motion carried.

Chairman Mildbrand asked for volunteers to serve on a committee to develop the ordinance. Don Liske of the ATV clubs, Brad Ruesch, Sheriff Daniels, Scott Mildbrand and Dave Lemke will serve on the committee. The corporation counsel will be asked to review the ordinance.

Sheriff Daniels, Brad Ruesch and the members of the ATV clubs left the meeting.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Soper/Fuchs and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$220,458.75 and journal vouchers totaling \$66,826.98.

Commissioner Sackmann reported on maintenance that is planned for the Rustic Road. 6500 tons of gravel will be placed, some drainage issues will be addressed and dust control will be applied. The approximate cost of these improvements will be \$65,000.

Committee Member Soper presented a concern regarding maintaining the road as a Rustic Road. After discussion the members of the committee felt it was in Taylor County's best interest to maintain the road as a Rustic Road. No action taken.

The commissioner presented the one bid received for hot mix asphalt for Taylor County's CHIP project. Motion by Lemke/Zenner and carried to accept the bid from American Asphalt for \$49.37 per ton of hot mix asphalt for Taylor County's CHIP project.

Committee Members Zenner and Lemke will represent Taylor County at the Summer WCHA Conference in June.

The commissioner invited members of the committee to attend the Spring District Committeemen's Meeting in Chippewa County on May 24.

Commissioner Sackmann reported on summer highway construction projects.

Committee Member Zenner who also serves as chairman of the Taylor County Airport Committee reported that the airport will be under the supervision of the highway department on a six month trial basis. Fred Ebert will manage the operations of the airport. Zenner commended Commissioner Sackmann for coming forward and offering this option to the Airport Committee.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be May 15, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Soper/Lemke and carried to adjourn at 2:35 P.M.

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

March 27, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Soper, and Werner

Members Absent: Mildbrand

Other Attendees: County Board Chairman Jim Metz, Shop Superintendent Fred Ebert, Brian Wilson of The Star News and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Approve Minutes: Motion by Werner/Fuchs and carried to approve the minutes of the February 20 meeting.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Fuchs/Soper and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$170,625.12 and journal vouchers totaling \$694.87.

Commissioner Sackmann reviewed 2012 quotations for materials. After discussion, motion by Fuchs/Werner and carried to award the quotations as indicated on the attached 2012 Department Quotations Recommendations.

The commissioner proposed hiring two limited term seasonal employees. The commissioner stated that having seasonal employees perform flagging duties would be more economical than having regular employees flag and hiring contracted trucking. After discussion, motion by Werner/Fuchs and carried to approve hiring two limited term seasonal employees.

The commissioner presented a schedule of mileage of pickup trucks being used by supervisory employees. Two of the trucks are nearing 200,000 miles. The commissioner requested authorization to purchase one new pickup truck. One of the older trucks will be sold. After discussion, motion by Fuchs/Werner and carried (Soper voting no) to purchase one new pickup truck locally.

Chairman Zenner presented information on a petition that was submitted to members of the County Board concerning the Rustic Road. The petition will be on the agenda for the April County Board Meeting. Chairman Zenner and Commissioner Sackmann will prepare a summary of maintenance done on the Rustic Road, estimated costs for improvements, and Rustic Road policies that affect possible improvements. No action taken.

The commissioner reported on various projects that will be completed in Taylor County this construction season.

The commissioner also reported that Tracy Heier has been hired by the Highway Department and will begin work on April 2, 2012.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be April 23, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Soper/Werner and carried to adjourn at 2:00 P.M.

**2012 QUOTATIONS
DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS
MARCH 27, 2012**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>COST</u>
*BITUMINOUS MATERIALS		
Hot Mix Asphalt	American Asphalt 12.5 mm E-1	\$49.37/Ton \$48.30/Ton
Hot Mix Asphalt Grade 4 Rutwedge Material	Chippewa County Chippewa County	\$43.76/Ton \$47.97/Ton
*PULVERIZING	The Kraemer Company	\$4,442.00/Mile
*CRS-2 Tack Oil	Meigs	\$2.35/Gal
*HFRS 2 Spray Patch	Meigs	\$2.35/Gal
*HFRS-2 Chip Seal Oil (Applied)	Meigs	\$2.4958/Gal
*AGGREGATE BASE COURSE		
H & V Jobs	Haas Sons Inc	\$3.80/Ton
MM Job	John S. Olynick	\$3.61/Ton
*WASHED SAND	Medford – Melvin	\$5.90/Ton
	West End – Dennis Ovyn	\$3.65/Ton
*CULVERTS		
HDPE (Plastic)	County Materials, Freudenthal, Central Culvert	
Steel Round & Arch Riveted	County Materials	
Steel Round & Arch Spiral	Central Culvert Supply	

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

February 20, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Mildbrand, Soper, and Werner

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: County Board Chairman Jim Metz, Sheriff Bruce Daniels, Shop Superintendent Fred Ebert, Brian Wilson of The Star News and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Approve Minutes: Motion by Fuchs/Werner and carried to approve the minutes of the January 10 meeting.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Mildbrand/Fuchs and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$367,633.19 and journal vouchers totaling \$138,892.83.

Sheriff Daniels reported that a site on the west end of the county is being sought for placement of a tower that is required for the narrow band radio system. There is the possibility that the tower may be used as a cell phone tower also. No action taken.

Daniels also requested permission to build an evidence storage building on the Highway Department property. The proposed building will be approximately 36' x 60'; have two stories, and will provide secure evidence storage. The proposed site is by Storage Building #7. Motion by Fuchs/Mildbrand and carried to allow the sheriff's department to build an evidence storage building on the highway department site.

Shop Superintendent Ebert presented proposals from Monroe Truck Equipment and Central Wisconsin Body & Hoist to equip the Peterbilt patrol truck that was purchased earlier this year. The proposals were \$55,871.00 from Monroe and \$57,490.00 from Central Wisconsin. Motion by Werner/Soper and carried to accept the proposal of \$55,871.00 from Monroe Truck Equipment.

Ebert reported that the State has reimbursed the department \$68,666.23 for moving costs associated with the removal and relocation of the old shop during the State Highway 13 reconstruction.

The commissioner reported that the Correction Creek Bridge replacement project on County Road O will be let on March 13 for construction this year.

The commissioner also reported on the Federal Reauthorization Plan which is being proposed. Both versions of the bill (House and Senate) have removed funding for bridges.

The commissioner informed the committee that he wishes to be involved with the Mining Committee to provide input on issues of county highway use associated with mining operations.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be March 27, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Fuchs/Soper and carried to adjourn at 1:50 P.M.

Taylor County Highway Committee, Regular Meeting

January 10, 2012

Highway Department Office

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

Members Present: Fuchs, Mildbrand, Soper, and Werner

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: County Board Chairman Jim Metz, Brian Wilson of The Star News and Accountant Ginny Wilkins

Approve Minutes: Motion by Werner/Mildbrand and carried to approve the minutes of the December 20 meeting.

Cash vouchers and journal vouchers were audited. Motion by Mildbrand/Fuchs and carried to approve cash vouchers totaling \$195,406.94 and journal vouchers totaling \$62,706.50.

A discussion was held on beaver trapping. Backwoods Guide Service currently traps beavers for the highway department. The reimbursement per beaver remained the same in 2011 as it was in 2010. Motion by Soper/Werner and carried to increase the price per trapped beaver by 3 percent for 2012.

Commissioner Sackmann presented a resolution honoring Alan Brandl who is retiring after 41 years of service. The committee members signed the resolution.

Commissioner Sackmann requested replacing the position held by Mr. Brandl. The commissioner reported that there will likely be four employees retiring in 2012. After discussion, motion by Soper/Mildbrand and carried to replace the position.

The commissioner reported that American Asphalt has been awarded the bid for the State Road 102 project that will be completed in 2012. The project will include resurfacing approximately five miles of road, replacement of two bridges and sidewalks.

The commissioner reported that the State has not yet posted the Declaration of Frozen Roads.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Highway Committee will be February 20, 2012

Adjournment: Motion by Soper/Mildbrand and carried to adjourn at 1:45 P.M.