

Ashland County Highway
Committee Meeting Minutes
STH 13 & Ryefield Rd.
Highbridge, WI 54846
March 9th, 2015

Regular monthly Highway Committee Meeting was held on February 9th, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ashland County Highway Department Conference Room in Highbridge, WI.

- Item 1. Meeting was called to order by Highway Committee Chairman Carl Kubley at 9:01 AM. Members in Attendance: Rick Korpela, Gary Kabasa, Carl Kubley, and Jerry Teague. Excused Absent: Ken Lindquist. Also present: Emmer W. Shields, Jr., Highway Commissioner, & Deane & Linda Halverson.
- Item 2. Approval of Agenda. Motion to approve agenda by Jerry Teague, 2nd by Rick Korpela. Motion carried.
- Item 3. Approval of Minutes. Motion to approve February 9th, 2015 minutes made by Jerry Teague, 2nd by Rick Korpela. Motion carried.
- Item 4. Public Comment – Discussion with Dean and Linda Halverson concerning the disposition of the CTH K right-of-way. County would like to acquire a fee simple title to the right-of-way crossing their property. Commissioner will be sending the Halverson's a pamphlet concerning their rights with respect to eminent domain and public acquisition of property.
- Item 5. New and Old Business
- Present priorities in work schedule include brushing and tree cutting, patching and drainage issues (steaming culverts)
 - Discussion on housekeeping contract. Current contract is \$300.00 per month. There has been no increase in 12 or 15 years. Motion made by Jerry Teague, 2nd by Rick Korpela to raise monthly contract payment to \$400.00 per month. Motion carried.
 - Request has been made by Kathy Schutte on behalf of Marengo Mural Project for donation of materials. Motion by Rick Korpela, 2nd by Jerry Teague to donate 12 used guard rail posts to the project. Motion carried.
 - The Commissioner and the Emergency Management Director had a meeting on March 3rd with Wisconsin Emergency Management representatives to answer questions concerning FEMA culvert and mitigation projects enumerated but not yet authorized by FEMA.
- Item 6. Other Business – The Town of LaPointe has asked authorization to complete an Ojibwe sign project on the Island. Signs similar to the Black on White Arrow signs with Ojibwe language will compliment existing English Arrow Signs. Committee consensus was to allow the project even though the Town had failed to get County permission for the signage to be done on CTH H.

- Item 7. Approval of bills for the month. Motion to approve bills by Gary Kabasa, 2nd by Rick Korpela. Motion carried.
- Item 8. Next Meeting Date – April 13th, 2015 at 9 AM.
- Item 9. Adjournment – Motion by Rick Korpela, to adjourn, 2nd by Gary Kabasa. Motion carried. Committee adjourned at 10:30 AM.