



MARATHON COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 5, 2019, 9:00 a.m.

Marathon County Highway Department, 1430 West Street, Wausau, WI 54401

Attendance:	Present	Excused	Absent
John Robinson, Chair	X		
Richard Gumz, Vice-Chair	X		
Tom Seubert	X		
Alan Christensen	X		
Sandi Cihlar	X		
Jeff Johnson	X		
Allen Opall	X		

Also Present: James Griesbach, Kevin Lang, Kendra Pergolski, Craig McEwen, Beth Nemec, Andrew Lynch, Jon Graveen, Dave Mack, Gerry Klein

- Call Meeting to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Robinson at 9:00 a.m.
- Public Comment:** No public comment was offered.
- Approval of the Minutes of the August 1, 2019, Infrastructure Committee Meeting**
MOTION BY CHRISTENSEN, SECOND BY SEUBERT, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 1, 2019, INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING. MOTION CARRIED.
- Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination**
 - County Administrator Work Plan "Infrastructure Long Term Transportation & Capital Improvement Plan"
Consideration by the Committee Whether to Recommend That the County Board Create a Task Force / Workgroup to Develop a Long-term Transportation & Capital Improvement Plan
Discussion: Chair Robinson summarized the previous years' budget and where Marathon County ranked in regard to expenditures and budget. He discussed the committee's struggles to advance agenda items due to the amount of agenda items the committee has each meeting. Robinson then sought input from the committee in potentially creating and utilizing either a work group or task force to develop a capital improvement and long-term transportation plan. Conversation ensued between committee members about the pros and cons between work groups and task forces; the possibility of incorporating North Central Regional Planning Commission; or hiring a third party consultant.
Action: N/A
Follow through: Contact Dennis Lawrence with North Central Regional Planning Commission to potentially set up a meeting with the Infrastructure Committee.
- Operational Functions required by Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution:** N/A
- Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
 - Marathon County 2018-2022 Strategic Plan
 - Review of Objectives Where the Committee Has Been Designated "Lead Committee"
 - What Discussions Has the Committee Had to Move the Objectives Forward and What Discussions Should it Have in the Future?**Discussion:** Craig McEwen reviews the impact of the Infrastructure Committee and requests updates of accomplishments and future projects. Chair Robinson addresses each project by reviewing how the Committee has implemented each goal area, objective and strategy in their designated role.
Follow through: N/A
Action: N/A

B. Broadband Update

Discussion: Gerry Klein discussed the Design 9 timeline and their impending draft report due September 25, 2019. Prior to the presentation by Design 9 to the County Board, the Committee will be allowed to address major flaws or issues.

Action: N/A

Follow through: N/A

C. Cyber Security Current Practices and Next Steps, Klein

Discussion: Klein addressed the Committee by educating them on potential risks and preventative measures of cyber hackers.

Action: N/A

Follow through: N/A

D. County Road "K" Wausau to North County Line update

Discussion: Highway Commissioner Griesbach provided the Committee with cost related updates on each of the County Road K options: lighting expenses, plowing maintenance, loss of funding. Griesbach informed the Committee that at the next meeting he will need a decision as to what option they want to go with due to time restraints.

Action: N/A

Follow through: N/A

E. ATV/UTV Update of Request

Discussion: Highway Commissioner Griesbach advised that he met with the Sheriff's Department in regard to the denial of applications. The discussion led to the decision that all the townships should be required to adopt the county's ordinance in order to create one standard that the Sheriff's Department could enforce.

Action: N/A

Follow through: N/A

F. / G. Wisconsin County Highway Association Update and Highway Commissioner's Report

Discussion: Highway Commissioner Griesbach recapped the Highway Departments remaining projects that are in the midst of being completed and the preparation for fall and winter. Highway Commissioner Griesbach provided the Committee with WCHA minutes from the previous meeting.

H. City County Information Technology Commission Report

Discussion: Klein provided the Committee with the minutes from the previous meeting.

7. **Announcements:**

- A. Future meetings and location, agenda topics
October 3, 2019, 9:00 AM, Central Wisconsin Airport
- B. 2019 Fall Legislative Breakfast, October 18, 2019, Holiday Inn, Stevens Point

8. **Adjourn**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN BY JOHNSON, SECOND BY SEUBERT. MOTION CARRIED. MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 12:00 PM.**

Minutes prepared

By Kendra Pergolski on September 12, 2019.