

# MARATHON COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

# Thursday, November 7, 2019, 9:00 a.m. Marathon County Courthouse, Wausau, WI 54401

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

**Also Present:** James Griesbach, Kevin Lang, Jan Schreiner, Brad Karger, Gerry Klein, Jon Graveen, Keith Rusch, Meldon Maguire, Jerry Fitzgerald, Mike Puerner, Mark Cihlar, Dave Mack, Lance Leonard

- 1. <u>Call Meeting to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Robinson at 9:00 a.m.
- 2. Public Comment: No public comment was offered.
- 3. Approval of the Minutes of the October 3, 2019, Infrastructure Committee Meeting
  MOTION BY GUMZ, SECOND BY CHRISTENSEN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 1, 2019,
  INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING. MOTION CARRIED.

### 4. Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination

A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Land Purchase for Future County Facilities **Discussion:** County Administrator Karger addressed the committee regarding a potential land purchase. He informed the committee about the plan to consolidate multiple Marathon County departments in one building. Karger requested the committee's support in the purchase of the land.

Follow through: N/A

Action: MOTION BY CHRISTENSEN, SECOND BY JOHNSON, IN SUPPORT OF THE PURCHASE DEPENDANT ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND APPRAISAL. MOTION CARRIED.

# 5. Operational Functions required by Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution:

A. ATV/UTV Uniform Ordinance

1. Consideration of Marathon County Ordinance Section 7.125, All Terrain and Utility Terrain Vehicles **Discussion:** Commissioner Griesbach addressed the committee with current municipality ordinances and the issues with enforcement. Commissioner Griesbach suggested that all municipalities adopt one ordinance to improve consistency of enforcement by the Sheriff's Department and to get everyone to initiate a comprehensive approach to ATV/UTV use.

Action: N/A

Follow through: MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECOND BY OPALL, TO ADOPT ONE ORDINACE COUNTY WIDE. GUMZ AND CHRISTENSEN OPPOSE. MOTION CARRIED.

- B. Central Wisconsin Airport, Possible Approval of Electrical Underground Easement with Wisconsin Public Service
- 1. Consideration of Easement Between Marathon County, Portage County and Wisconsin Public Service **Discussion:** Mark Cihlar addressed the committee about Wisconsin Public Service's request to abandon lines currently under parts of Central Wisconsin Airport's runway; WPS would then require an easement to run new lines. With the upcoming projects CWA has scheduled, the project is beneficial to them as WPS is citing that they would then move the lines at no cost to the airport.

Action: N/A

Follow through: MOTION BY CHRISTENSEN, SECOND BY SEUBERT, TO ALLOW WISCONSIN PUBLIC SERVICE THE EASEMENT REQUESTED.

### 6. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion

A. Update on the discussions relative to "Infrastructure Long Term Transportation & Capital Improvement Plan"

Discussion: Chair Robinson expounded on the discussions being held regarding the 2050 plan.

Action: N/A

Follow through: N/A

B. Broadband Update

**Discussion:** Chair Robinson updated the committee on the status of the Design 9 proposal. Next draft due before Thanksgiving.

C. Wisconsin County Highway Association Update

**Discussion:** Commissioner Griesbach elaborated on the discussions held at the executive meeting which mainly consisted of DOT funding and the Work Zone Safety Bill.

D. Highway Commissioner's Report

**Discussion:** Commissioner Griesbach briefly went through report: Pacer ratings, brine making, salt savings from previous year, employee retention.

E. Cyber Security Current Practices and Next Steps, Gerry Klein

**Discussion:** Klein updated the committee on email hacking and the systems put in place to prevent SPAM and viruses.

F. City County Information Technology Commission Report

**Discussion:** Klein distributed a packet with updated project information.

# 7. Announcements:

- A. Future meetings and location, agenda topics December 5, 2019, 9:00 AM
- B. Winter Highway Conference

#### 8. Adjourn

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY CHRISTENSEN, SECOND BY OPALL. MOTION CARRIED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:50 AM.

Minutes prepared

By Kendra Pergolski on November 21, 2019.