

# MARATHON COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

#### Thursday, July 2, 2020, 9:00 a.m. Marathon County Highway Department, Wausau, WI

Attendance:	Present	Excused	Absent
Randy Fifrick, Chair	х		
Sandi Cihlar, Vice-Chair	х		
John Robinson	х		
Jeff Johnson	х		
Alan Christensen	х		
Richard Gumz	х		
Chris Dickinson	х		

Also Present: James Griesbach, Kevin Lang, Kendra Pergolski, Gerry Klein, Lance Leonhard, Dave Mack, Andrew Lynch

1. <u>Call Meeting to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order by Chair Fifrick at 9:01 a.m.

## 2. Public Comment: N/A

#### Approval of the Minutes of the June 6, 2020, Infrastructure Committee Meeting MOTION BY ROBINSON, SECOND BY DICKINSIN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 6, 2020, INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING PURSUANT TO ADDITION OF THE SALE PRICE ON THE 28<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE PARCEL SECTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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

A. Next Steps in Broadband Task Force
 Discussion: The committee discussed how the task force has been developed and whom is on it. They revisited the tasks assigned and discussed the overview of issues. Klein discussed grant opportunities, CARES Act allocations, State vs Federal restrictions and the distribution of unused funds.
 Action: N/A
 Follow through: N/A

B. What are the Committee's priorities for the next two years in light of the Strategic Plan (Objective 10.12) and Comprehensive Plan (Executive Summary)

**Discussion:** The committee reviewed the strategic plan goals and priorities moving forward. **Action:** N/A **Follow through:** N/A

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

A. Consideration of speed limit modifications on County Highway Y within the Towns of Plover and Easton between County Road Z and County Highway 52

**Discussion:** Lang addressed the committee with concerns regarding a speed limit change for County Highway Y due to conflicting speed changes and confusion caused by said changes; Lang stressed that this may cause safety concerns.

Action: MOTION BY ROBINSON, SECOND BY JOHNSON, TO RECOMMEND THE APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE FOR THE COUNTY WIDE SPEED ZONE TO THE COUNTY BOARD. MOTION CARRIED. Follow through: N/A

## 6. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion

A. Wind Farm Update

**Discussion:** Commissioner Griesbach addressed the committee with the plan to add 30 wind towers to the Western part of the county, and updated them regarding County Highway P roadway condition and how it will be effected by the construction of said wind towers. The committee also discussed the need to address environmental issues that may arise in the foreseeable future.

B. Marathon County Highway Safety Audit

**Discussion:** Commissioner Griesbach updated the committee with how the current data gathered is being implemented into the system for evaluation.

C. City County Information Technology Department Update
Discussion: Report provided.
D. Highway Commissioner's Report
Discussion: Report provided.
E. ATV/UTV Policy update
Discussion: Commissioner Griesbach advised that he is receiving many applications and has deemed the policy a success thus far.

#### 7. Announcements:

A. Future meetings and location, agenda topics August 6, 9:00 AM, 1430 West Street, Wausau

## 8. <u>Adjourn</u>

#### **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:17AM.**

Minutes prepared By Kendra Pergolski on June 8, 2020.