



MARATHON COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE AGENDA WITH MINUTES

Date & Time of Meeting: **Thursday, June 2, 2022, 9:00 a.m.**

Meeting Location: **Marathon County Courthouse, Assembly Room, 500 Forest Street, Wausau, WI**

Craig McEwen	Present
Chris Dickinson	Present
Gary Gisselman	Present
Jasper Hartinger	Present
John Robinson	Present
Tom Seubert	Excused
Joel Straub	present

Staff Present: Gerry Klein, Jim Griesbach, Kevin Lang, Dave Mack, Gerry Klein, Lance Leonhard, Kim Trueblood

1. **Call Meeting to Order** – Chair McEwen called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment** – None.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the May 5, 2022, Infrastructure Committee Meeting.**
Motion by Robinson, Second by Hartinger to approve the minutes. Motion carried on a roll call vote, unanimously.
5. **Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination**
 - A. 2050 Transportation Sustainability Planning – Continued Review of North Central Regional Planning Report and Discussion of Next Steps
Highway Commissioner Jim Griesbach stated the need to begin the discussion on the road planning in light of upcoming budget planning requirements. Discussion regarding how the roads and infrastructure relate to the Strategic Plan. Questions were asked and answered.
6. **Operational Functions required by Statute, Ordinance, Resolution or Policy:** None.
7. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion:**
 - A. Potential Updates to [2018 – 2022 Strategic Plan](#)
Vice Chair McEwen explained the basics of the Strategic Plan and the Comprehensive Plan and the differences between the two documents – the Strategic Plan is more short-term and the Comprehensive Plan is more long-term. He stated that he would like to see the Strategic Plan updated rather than scrapped. The three questions listed on the agenda will be asked of all the standing committees and input collected. He identified the points in the Strategic Plan over which the Infrastructure Committee has oversight jurisdiction. Administrator Leonhard provided some guidance as to how to go about identifying priorities for updates. Additional discussion followed and questions were asked and answered.
 - B. Highway Department 2023 CIP Requests
Highway Commissioner Jim Griesbach stated that the requests in the packet are for information. The priority right now is the County Highway K project. The budget is still short about \$5 million for that project – several funding sources have been tapped. He went through the other projects listed in the packet. Questions were asked and answered. Approval for these projects will go to the HRFP Committee.
 - C. CTH X Right of Way Rolling request for expenditures of \$49,476
Last year, there was a purchase of some property adjacent to CTH X. This request is to reimburse the account that is kept to be able to purchase these types of parcels as they come available.

D. Update on meeting with the Village of Maine and the City of Wausau regarding 28th Ave Highway and Administration Staff met with the City of Wausau and the Village of Maine last week regarding the potential project. The Village of Maine is planning to abandon the corridor. The City feels that the project is still viable for their purposes. There seemed to be a good understanding of next steps by all parties involved.

E. 2022 Culvert / Bridge Aid Process

Jim Griesbach explained the process of how this program works – as a partnership between the County and municipalities as dictated by state statute. The County does not contribute financially and it does not impact the budget. In the past, the committee would visit all the project sites before approval. Now that is covered by staff who have the credentials to do so. Kevin Lang gave further information on how the bridge and culvert work is carried out by the County, in partnership with the municipalities involved. Discussion followed. Questions were asked and answered.

8. Announcements:

A. Future meetings and agenda items:

Next Infrastructure Committee meeting is Thursday, July 7 at 9:00 a.m.

The Wisconsin County Highway Association Central District is looking for a board member. If anyone is interested, please let Jim know.

9. Adjournment

Motion by Dickinson, Second by Robinson to adjourn. Motion carried on a voice vote, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Kim Trueblood, Marathon County Clerk