

## COMMITTEE REPORT

**COMMITTEE:** Public Works  
**CHAIRPERSON:** Randy Jobgen  
**DATE/TIME:** November 10, 2014 6:30 P.M.

**PRESENT:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Berlage | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dittmar | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Heurman |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hughes  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jobgen  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Smith   |

Others: Marge Montelius, R.J. Winkelhake, Steve Keeffer, Dan Reimer

### MINUTES

#### 1. Citizens' Comments

None

#### 2. Highway Department

##### a. New Business

##### 1. Discussion on submitting comments regarding proposed language changes to the Clean Water Act

The committee reviewed information about proposed changes to the definition of 'Waters of the United State' as it relates to the Clean Water Act. These proposed changes could affect road maintenance and construction activities because the proposed changes could lead to the need to get permits to do ditch and stream work. There is an opportunity to submit public comments to the EPA that will soon be closed. The committee reviewed some letters and resolutions that other agencies have used to submit comments. After some additional discussion, Merri Berlage made a motion to write a comment letter to the EPA, Dan Hughes seconded, and the motion carried.

#### 3. Board Member Concerns

Merri Berlage relayed some concerns she has heard regarding the removal of guardrail on recently completed Elizabeth Scales Mound Road Project bank stabilization project. Steve Keeffer explained that guardrail was no longer warranted because the side slope grade has been reduced.

#### **4. Citizens Comments**

None

The meeting concluded at 6:50 P.M.