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COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Public Works
CHAIRPERSON: Randy Jobgen
DATE/TIME: October 27, 2015 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Berlage

Hughes

Smith

Dittmar

Jobgen

Heurman

Petersburg

Others: Steve Keeffer

MINUTES

1. Minutes

Brad Petersburg made a motion to approve minutes from the September 28, 2015 meeting, Ron Smith seconded, and the motion carried

2. Citizens' Comments

None

3. Highway Department

a. Old Business

1. Project Schedule Update

The list of ongoing projects was reviewed and discussed.

2. Committee Goals and Objectives

The committee goals and objectives were reviewed.

3. County Board Retreat Items

The committee reviewed the items from the June 2015 county board retreat.

4. Security System for Hanover

The committee reviewed information regarding a fire alarm system for the Highway Department facility in Hanover. The proposed system would include sensors throughout the facility. There was additional discussion about the fire and security system. Steve Keeffer will continue to gather more details about the proposed system and talk to other vendors.

5. Council Hill Road Bridge Discussion

Steve Keeffer continues to talk to the consultant and will try to have a final scope of services for the committee to consider at the next meeting.

b. New Business

1. Rename Old Road in Nora Township

The committee reviewed a request to rename Old Road in Nora Township. Old Road runs between Tiger Whip Road and County Line Road just south of Stagecoach Trail. There are no addresses on the road. The committee would like an official request/confirmation from Nora Township indicating their support of the name change. The committee also instructed Steve Keeffer to work with the EMS people to make sure that they have no issues either.

2. Jo Daviess County Flood Prevention Ordinance

The committee reviewed a revised Flood Prevention Ordinance. This ordinance is required for county residents to be eligible for federal flood insurance. The county has had a flood prevention ordinance for many years. The FEMA flood maps are being updated at the end of this year and the county ordinance references those maps and has to be updated as well. Steve Keeffer prepared the revised ordinance using a template provided by the state. The revised ordinance has been reviewed by the state and the state's attorney's office. Dan Hughes made a motion to approve the revised ordinance, Bob Heuerman seconded, and the motion carried.

3. Fuel Bid Procedures for 2015

The committee discussed the 2015 fuel bid. The consensus was to continue to bid fuel with a locked price. There was some additional discussion on the logistics of the bidding process.

4. Woodbine Township Request for County Aid for a Culvert Project

The committee considered a petition from Woodbine Township for county aid for a culvert project on Gras Road. The project will repair a pipe culvert at an estimated cost of \$10,000. Brad Petersburg made a motion to approve the request, Bob Heuerman seconded, and the motion carried.

5. Scales Mound Township Request for County Aid for a Culvert Project

The committee considered a petition from Scales Mound Township for county aid for a culvert project on Holland Road. The project will replace a failing across the road culvert with a multi cell, cast in place, reinforced concrete box culvert at an estimated cost of \$200,000. State funding will be used to pay for 80% of the construction cost. Dan Hughes made a motion to approve the request, Bob Heuerman seconded, and the motion carried.

6. Derinda Township Request for County Aid for a Culvert Project

The committee considered a petition from Derinda Township for county aid for a culvert project on Plosch Road. The project will repair a pipe culvert at an estimated cost of \$5,000. Brad Petersburg made a motion to approve the request, Dan Hughes seconded, and the motion carried.

7. Updated County Engineer Job Description

The committee reviewed a revised job description for the County Engineer. Changes were made to remove the Animal Control references from the job description. Bob Heuerman made a motion to approve the job description, Brad Petersburg seconded, and the motion carried.

4. Citizens Comments

None

5. Board Member Concerns

Randy Jobgen has received a complaint about people stealing paving bricks from the site of the former Galena storage building.

The meeting concluded at 8:19 P.M.