

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Public Works
CHAIRPERSON: Randy Jobgen
DATE/TIME: September 22, 2014 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Berlage
 Hughes

Dittmar
 Jobgen

Heuerman
 Smith

Others: Steve Keeffer

MINUTES

1. Minutes

Merri Berlage made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 28, 2014 meeting, Bob Heuerman 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. Steve Keeffer informed the committee that the Longhollow Road Bridge project had been let and Civil Constructors was the low bidder.

2. Committee Goals and Objectives

The committee goals and objectives were reviewed.

3. County Board Retreat Items

The committee reviewed the county board retreat items

4. Bike Trail Discussion

The committee reviewed several emails from Brad Petersburg detailing his research on options to acquire the closed section of River Road for use as a trail. The committee did not take any action.

b. New Business

1. Cost Share Request from Stockton Township for a Bridge Project on Ridge Road

The committee considered a request from Stockton Township for a 50/50 bridge repair project on Ridge Road at an estimated cost of \$10,000. The project consists of adding stone rip rap and some channel work. Rick Dittmar made a motion to approve the request, Bob Heuerman seconded and the motion carried.

2. Cost Share Request from Stockton Township for a Bridge Project on Morseville Road

The committee considered a request from Stockton Township for a 50/50 bridge repair project on Morseville Road at an estimated cost of \$5,000. The project consists of repairing beam bearing areas. Merri Berlage made a motion to approve the request, Rick Dittmar seconded and the motion carried.

4. Noxious Weeds

a. Old Business

1. Appointment of a Weed Commissioner

Steve Keeffer has contacted Mike Malon and he is still interested in serving as the County Weed Commissioner. There are still some questions on how the appointment process is supposed to work. Ron Smith offered to check with other counties to see how they administered their noxious weed programs.

5. Board Member Concerns

Merri Berlage had some questions about hiring procedures. There was some discussion about prevailing wage rules.

6. Citizens Comments

None

The meeting concluded at 8:06 P.M.