

## COMMITTEE REPORT

**COMMITTEE:** Public Works  
**CHAIRPERSON:** LaDon Trost  
**DATE/TIME:** February 4, 2019 7:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:**

Allendorf  
 Korth  
 Trost

Heuerman  
 O'Connor

Hill  
 Toot

Others: Steve Keeffer and Dan Reimer

### MINUTES

#### 1. Minutes

Bob Heuerman made a motion to approve minutes from the November 26, 2018 Public Works meeting, Don Hill seconded. The minutes were approved.

#### 2. Citizens' Comments

None

#### 3. Highway Department

##### a. Old Business

##### 1. Project Schedule Update

Steve Keeffer prepared a map of the county with all active projects delineated. The committee discussed many of the projects and their progress/status.

##### 2. Committee Objectives and Goals and the County Board Retreat

The committee reviewed the updated committee objectives and goals based on the latest county board retreat. Dan Reimer mentioned that there is a board retreat planned for this spring.

## **b. New Business**

### **1. Public Works Committee Meeting Schedule**

The committee discussed the proposed dates for the 2019 meetings. John Korth made a motion to approve the list of dates (4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month) and to change the meeting time to 6:00 pm, Don Hill seconded, and the motion carried.

### **2. Spring Road Postings**

Annual spring road postings were discussed. A resolution was reviewed that allows the County Engineer to post the county roads at his discretion for not more than 90 days between the dates of February 12 to May 12. Bob Heuerman made a motion to approve the resolution, Bob O'Connor seconded and the motion carried.

### **3. 2019 Pollution Insurance Policy**

The annual renewal of pollution insurance was discussed. This insurance is needed because of various activities including the application of herbicides, chip sealing, and vehicle fueling. There was some discussion about the general coverage and terrorism coverage. Steve Allendorf made a motion to approve the insurance policy as quoted with terrorism coverage at an annual cost of \$6,723, Scoot Toot seconded, and the motion carried. Bob O'Connor voted nay.

### **4. Dump Body/Snow and Ice Equipment Bids**

Bid tabs for supplying and installing dump body equipment, hydraulic system, and snow and ice equipment were reviewed. The lowest bid was from Monroe Truck Equipment of Monroe, Wisconsin for a Crysteel dump body and Monroe snow plow. Bob Heuerman made a motion to purchase a Crysteel dump body and Monroe snow plow equipment to be installed by Monroe Truck Equipment from Monroe, Wisconsin at a low bid cost of \$60,741, Steve Allendorf seconded, and the motion carried.

### **5. Dump/Plow Truck Chassis Bids**

Steve Keeffer presented the committee with the bid tabulations from the recently held dump/plow truck chassis bid. The low bid was for an International HV507 truck from Thompson Truck & Trailer of Dubuque, Iowa. Bob Heuerman made a motion to purchase a 2019 International 7500 truck chassis from Thompson Truck & Trailer of Dubuque Iowa at a cost of \$56,500 after trade, John Korth seconded, and the motion carried.

## **6. Reappointment of the County Engineer**

The current term for the county engineer expires on March 13, 2019. Reappointing the county engineer is a two-step process – first asking IDOT for permission to reappoint the current county engineer, then the actual reappointment. There was some discussion about the optional state salary program. Steve Keeffer will bring some information to the next committee meeting regarding the state salary program. Steve Allendorf made a motion to approve the resolution to ask IDOT for permission to appoint the incumbent county engineer, Bob Heurman seconded, and the motion carried.

## **4. Citizens Comments**

None

## **5. Board Member Concerns**

Questions were asked about the natural gas line work being done in the Galena area. Compliments were made about the recent snow plowing efforts.

The meeting concluded at 8:30 P.M.