



Winnebago County

The Wave of the Future

**HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2026**

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Nussbaum at 4:30 p.m. in the Susan T. Ertmer Conference Room, 112 Otter Avenue, Oshkosh.

Members Present: 3 - Chairman Don Nussbaum, Supervisor Chuck Farrey, and Supervisor Tim O'Brien

Excused: Supervisor Ralph Harrison; Absent: Supervisor Billy Halbur

Also Present: Highway Commissioner Bob Doemel, Highway Supervisor Kevin Kuklinski, Supervisor Andy Buck, Town of Omro Chairman Brian Noe, Residents: Sidney Oppermann, Jackie Silva, Harry Silva, and Helene White

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Invocation

The invocation was given by Supervisor O'Brien.

D. Public Comments on Agenda Items

Restricted to Items on the Agenda with a Limit of Two Minutes per Person

Resident Sidney Oppermann voiced concerns regarding the County Road E project.

Resident Jackie Silva voiced concerns regarding the County Road E project.

Supervisor Andy Buck asked the Highway Committee to fix the County Road E project.

E. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of 02.23.2026 Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved as presented.

F. Committee Member Comments

No comments from Committee Members.

G. Highway Commissioner Comments

1. Highway Department Building Update

Highway Commissioner Bob Doemel provided updates for the Highway Department.

- *Building Update: The County Board approved to go ahead with the new design for the Highway Department building.*

Supervisor Farrey voiced concerns regarding the second story plan of the building.

2. CTH-P (Valley Road) Project Update

Highway Commissioner Doemel noted that construction has started on this project. The storm sewer is through Myron's property and out to County Road P. They will be removing existing pavement and will start reconstruction of the road. Driving will be restricted to one-way traffic.

3. Online Permitting Update (RT Vision)

Commissioner Doemel reported on online permitting to be able to streamline the process for the Highway Department. The Highway Department is already using this system for employee time cards. The software has the ability to access permits online. It will be faster, simpler and more accessible.

Bridging and Engineering Manager, Kevin Kuklinski explained the program that they will be changing to. Paper submittal permits are accepted at this time, and eventually everything will be changed to online. The permits listed on the website will be: regulated and non-regulated utility permits, right of way permits, access permits, transportation, oversized load permits, and Adopt a Highway permit. Mr. Kuklinski described the process that will happen for obtaining a permit. The program will track all permits that have been applied for. Permits will be able to be approved at anytime during the day. The plan is to go live within 30 days.

4. CTH-E Drainage (Town of Algoma)

Commissioner Doemel added this item to the agenda as requested. The Highway Department was shut down 30 days early due to snow last fall.

There was 40" of frost in 2026. The plan is to complete this project.

Commissioner Doemel has everything documented that he has regarding this project, phone calls, e-mails, and discussions with citizens.

H. Business Items

Action may be taken on any business items.

No business items this month.

I. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date will be set for April 27, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. This could be changed with the new committee structure.

Supervisor Farrey discussed the Snow Storm and how the trucks were getting stuck.

The Committee applauded the Department for the great job that they did during that snow storm.

County Road E will be closed during construction, the traffic will be re-routed to County Road K.

J. Adjourn

Motion by Supervisor Farrey, seconded by Supervisor O'Brien to adjourn the March 23, 2026, Highway Committee meeting. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE (3-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Julie A. Barthels

Winnebago County Clerk

The video portion of this meeting is available on the County website:

<https://winnebago.cowis.portal.civicclerk.com>

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