



Winnebago County

The Wave of the Future

**HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024**

A. Call to Order

Chairman Don Nussbaum called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. at the JP Coughlin building.

Members Present: Chairman Don Nussbaum, Supervisor Ralph Harrison, Supervisor Tim O'Brien, Supervisor Billy Halbur and Supervisor Chuck Farrey

Also Present: Bob Doemel, Winnebago County Highway Commissioner; Helene White, Oshkosh; Jackie Silva, Oshkosh; Harry Silva, Oshkosh; Sidney Oppermann, Oshkosh, Robert Haag, Larsen; Gail Haag, Larsen; Steve Wolgaert, Larsen; and Chris Brickham, Hortonville

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Invocation

Invocation by Supervisor Tim O'Brien.

D. Public Comments on Agenda Items

- *Sid Opperman, Oshkosh - Would like to see, and he feels the ditch is dry enough, to use the boom mower to mow the ditch on County Road E. He would also like to see a timeline when the County Road E ditch project will be addressed.*
- *Gail Haag, Larsen - Representing the Winnebago County Alliance for UTV/ATVs - The Alliance is requesting the ordinance be changed to obtain uniform operation regulations throughout the counties in our area as well as the State of Wisconsin for all All-Terrain Vehicles/Utility Terrain Vehicle usage. She provided the committee with a handout from the Wisconsin ATV-UTV Association. She noted that Winnebago County is 14th in the state for registered UTV/ATV vehicles.*
- *Steve Wolgaert, Larsen - Feels the communities are looking for uniformity throughout the state. Wolf River, Winchester and Clayton allow 24/7 usage of UTV/ATVs. He would like to see permission granted to be able to travel on County Roads. He is a certified ATV instructor.*
- *Chris Brickham, Hortonville - Spoke in support of increasing the time allowed to run UTVs and ATVs, etc. He encouraged the committee to increase the speed limit for these vehicles to the posted speed limit.*

E. Approval of Minutes

1. *July 29, 2024 Meeting Minutes*

Motion by Supervisor Harrison, seconded by Supervisor O'Brien to approve the July 29, 2024 meeting minutes. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. 4-0.

F. Committee Member Comments

Supervisor Harrison requested that the Winnebago County ATV/UTV Alliance be placed on the next agenda. It was recommended to have the Sheriff's Department attend the next meeting.

G. Highway Commissioner Comments

1. CTH-I/Oregon St. (W. Wauaku Ave to Ripple Ave) Project Update
Highway Commissioner, Bob Doemel, stated that this project is moving forward. They have had some complications and had to bring in extra crews and bigger equipment. They are still shooting for a November 22, 2024 completion.
2. CTH-MM (CTH-II to Ritcher Ln) Project Update
For this project, the main line paving is completed, and the shouldering has been completed. The driveways are being worked on. They had some drainage issues. They should be finished today, September 16th.
3. CTH-AP (Midway Rd to Oneida St) Road Diet Project Update
*There is a lot going on with UW-Fox Valley. He is not sure what the outcome will be with this facility.
Funding has been allotted for this project. Submitted an application to East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning. We have been notified that we are a candidate for this funding. The construction of the new Maplewood School is another factor in this project.*
4. Front Office Renovation Project Update
The electricians are finished. Ceiling tiles are going in. Waiting for inspections. Doors are hung. Working on tiling. Air Exchangers are a big holdup for this project. It will probably be late November before it will be ready.
5. Parks Department Lake Poygan Boat Launch Parking Lot Project Update
This project was done in conjunction with County Road MM project. It was built up with gravel. Just finished paving. Might have to shoulder around the parking lot. It should be finished in a few weeks.
6. County Parking Lot Sealing Project Update
The Oshkosh Human Services and Neenah Human Services parking lots were sealed and lined over Labor Day weekend.
7. County Concrete Repair Project Update
The Highway Department concentrated on Harrison Street/County Road A railroad crossing. They needed to do a punch and repair to this area. A lot of panels were replaced. This damage was done by the Railroad company when replacing the tracks. They will be reimbursing the County for the damage they did.
8. WisDOT STH-91 Project Update
This project starts at Clairville Road, going to State Road 116. There are three projects in this area. The culverts will be replaced by James Road. There will be the replacement of a bridge on Waukau Road. The railroad crossings on Clairville road need to be repaired. They will be detouring traffic to County Road M and State Road 44. They have concerns about County Road FF due to heavy traffic from harvesting and traveling to the Ethanol plant.
9. WisDOT STH-116 Project Update
This project involves Highway 116 in the Village of Winneconne out to State Road 45. It needs to be milled and resurfaced. This project is set to finish mid-October. No closure of the road will be allowed until 8:00, and it will be open during construction. There is a website that has information regarding state Department of Transportation projects.

H. Business Items

I. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date will be October 21, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. at the JP Coughlin Center.

J. Adjourn

Motion by Supervisor Halbur, seconded by Supervisor Harrison to adjourn. CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.