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Agenda  
Public Works Committee meeting  
January 11, 2017; 6:30 p.m.  
Assembly Room, Sawyer County Courthouse

01. Meeting agenda
02. Minutes of December 7, 2016 meeting
03. Audience recognition
04. Highway Commissioner's report, including:
  - Ordinance Establishing a Speed Zone on County Road KK
05. Sawyer County Airport report, including:
  - L & L Aviation (contracted Airport management) report
06. Maintenance Department report, including:
  - Project report
07. Other matters for discussion only

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WOJB, Hayward Library, and Village of Winter for posting on Friday, January 5, 2017,  
1:30 p.m. by Carol Williamson

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Minutes of the meeting of the Public Works Committee

Sawyer County Board of Supervisors

December 7, 2016; 6:30 p.m.; Assembly Room; Sawyer County Courthouse

Members present: Ron Kinsley, Ron Buckholtz, Kathy McCoy, Tweed Shuman, Marc Helwig

Others present: Tom Hoff, Tim Hagberg, Patty Leslie, Derek Leslie, Gary Gedart, Carol Williamson, Matt Malicki, Susan Duffy, Jim Ahrens, Cliff Korn, Ed Reinbold

Motion by Buckholtz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Helwig, to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2016 meeting.

Motion Carried

A Public Hearing was held at 6:32 in the matter of State and Federal Aid for the Improvements at the Sawyer County Airport

The Committee discussed the Petition for Airport Improvement and the possible need for another public hearing with a petition including noise abatement. Motion by Shuman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Helwig, to Approve the proposed Resolution Petitioning the Secretary of Transportation for Airport Improvement Aid / Agency Agreement and Federal Block Grant Owner Assurances. Motion carried. Airport Manager Patty Leslie provided the Committee with a written report. Matt Malicki will look into best practices for regulating gate access.

Maintenance Supervisor Tim Hagberg provided a written report.

Highway Commissioner Gary Gedart provided a written report to the Committee. Highway F will not be completed until Spring

Minutes prepared by Sawyer County Clerk Carol Williamson

December 7, 2016

I would like the following issues to be included in the request to the Secretary of Transportation for airport improvement aid.

1. Compensation for home owner property value losses due to the "improvements".

The airport boasts about the benefits to the community, the big new Jack Links hanger and the increased jet traffic and tourism but it ignores the victims who lost considerable money so big businesses could reap the benefits, at our expense. Any good cost-benefit analysis for a project would have included these losses as costs in the budget. Government agencies talk about transparency and code of ethics, but these practices don't seem to matter here. I would like to see funding included in the request for aid. I was told by local authorities that the benefit to the community amounts to \$10 million annually; this should easily justify paying for losses that are small in comparison.

2. Funding for noise abatement measures.

As I have noted before the noise from take offs (ground noise, not flight noise) is very loud and interferes with normal human activities. (In 2014 Matt Malicki said there was no funding for noise mitigation or abatement, so maybe it can be requested now). As noted in FAA advisory, FAR 150/5021 this includes sleep interference (November 28 we were awoken by a jet), speech/conversation interference and outdoor activities (all of which we experience frequently). The advisory also notes the sources of ground noise are (beside take off runways) run up areas and taxiways, which are right behind our house- outside our bedroom window in fact. Anybody who has visited us can vouch for the truth in this.

The advisory discusses noise abatement, noting that trees and vegetation require several hundred feet to be effective. This identifies one cause of the increased noise; you cut down about 250 ft. of trees against my advice. House soundproofing is also discussed (windows is the usual method which was done in neighborhoods near Mitchell in Milwaukee) a method I noted in correspondence to you. But you need to request the funding.

I would expect the noise issue would require measurements and hard data, which I have provided. But I would also expect the airport to hire a third party to validate measurements and review FAA guidelines for single event noise and noise abatement.

As I have said before, somebody should stop by my house to see what I'm talking about.

And we get jet exhaust in our yard; this last happened on Monday, Dec.5. I was outside and went in the house to get out of the smell. This and the noise are only going to get worse. Of course, the problem is most serious during the summer tourist season.

Sincerely;  
Ed Reinbold  
11073 N. Airport Rd.  
715-634-0881

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3 Ordinance # \_\_\_\_\_  
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5 Establishing a Speed Zone on County Road KK  
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7 WHEREAS, The Sawyer County Public Works Committee and the Sawyer County  
8 Board of Supervisors have determined and established that 35 miles per hour shall be  
9 the maximum speed at which vehicles may travel on County Road KK, from 1,400 feet  
10 south of Y.M.C.A. Road to Circle Road (termini), and  
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12 WHEREAS, this section of roadway is defined as a semi-urban district by Wisconsin  
13 Statutes 346.57 (1) (b) and 346.57 (4) (g), and  
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15 WHEREAS, this 35 mile per hour section totals 2,230 feet (.42 miles) in length and this  
16 speed has herein been established as the reasonable and safe maximum speed to  
17 travel, pursuant to section 346.57 of the Wisconsin Statutes;  
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19 THEREFORE, The Sawyer County Board of Supervisors hereby ordains, with the  
20 approval of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, and upon the erection of  
21 standard signs giving notice thereof, as follows:  
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23 Section 1 – 35 miles per hour shall be the maximum permissible speed for vehicles  
24 operated on County Road KK in Sawyer County, from 1,400 feet south of Y.M.C.A. Road  
25 to Circle Road (termini), a distance of 2,230 feet (.42 miles) in length.  
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27 Section 2 – Any person violating any provision of this ordinance may suffer forfeiture of  
28 no less than \$30.00 nor more than \$300.00, plus costs, or imprisoned not more than 30  
29 days upon failure to pay such fine or forfeiture and costs.  
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## Sawyer County Management Report January 2017

- We can sum up the holidays with one word – ICE!!! Unfortunately as we all know it rained and froze of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Our runway, apron, and taxiways turned into a sheet of ice. Everyone involved at the airport obviously has been very unhappy by this act of Mother Nature but also understanding. We decided to order some Sodium Acetate to melt the ice primarily off the runway. This compound, named NACC, is expensive but it should help us immensely. We should know the results prior to this meeting. Airport management closely with Tim to decide what the best route to deal with this situation. Tim and Nate have worked very hard to get us to where we are now and with some help from Jim Miller with sand, we have been able to get some small airplanes in and out safely.
- Our fence project is starting up again on Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>. The ground being frozen now should provide adequate working conditions in the swap for the project to be completed sometime in February.
- We are looking at remodeling the terminal building for 24 hour access. Tim believes his department is capable of doing the construction for this project however; costs may vary depending on a variety of factors. We are coming up with ideas and going to start getting an estimate of the cost. We will report back next month.
- Allen Schuck completed some brushing at the airport at the end of the year in our usual critical areas in which we need to brush every year. We have not tackled any of the outlying areas of the airport that will soon be encompassed inside the fence for several years. We are waiting for the fence to be completed prior to brushing out some of these thicker areas. We came in well below budget for our 2016 brushing but we anticipate using our entire 2017 budget this winter. This amount of brushing should keep us in good shape in regards to runway and airfield obstructions. Next winter, for 2018 we will need to consider increasing the budget because we will need to brush on each side of the fence to maintain access.

## Maintenance Report January 2017

Along with routine maintenance and snow removal, the following maintenance projects were started or completed in December:

### I. Courthouse:

- Installed new flag lights at both the courthouse and the Veteran Services Office. We had initially installed solar powered lights but they proved to be ineffective.
- We are currently installing two electrical subpanels in the 1962 portion of the courthouse.
  - The subpanels will not only allow for better electrical distribution in the older portion of the courthouse, they will also allow us to correct any wiring that is not currently code compliant.
- Built and installed two new workstations for the Health & Human Services Department.
- Started installing data lines and dedicated receptacles for the new courtroom audio system.

### II. Oasis:

- Repaired one furnace and replaced two faulty thermostats.