

**Minutes of the February 8th meeting of the Sawyer County
Public Works Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Assembly Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members Present:

- Chair: **Ron Kinsley**
- Marc Helwig
- Ed Peters– Vice Chair - virtual
- Chris Rusk
- Brian Bisonette - virtual

Others Present:

Doug Mrotek
Tweed Shuman
Lynn Fitch
Cathy LaReau - virtual
Anna Amparo

Others Present:

Linda Zillmer - virtual
Mike Woller
Mike Coleson
Brad Beise

Call to Order – Chair Ron Kinsley called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was met. Roll Call was taken; quorum was met.

Meeting Agenda –

Public Comments – Linda Zillmer

Minutes from the previous meeting dated: January 11, 2023

Motion to approve made by: Mr. Helwig Second by: Mr. Rusk
Motion carried without negative vote.

Maintenance Department Report -

A written report was provided.

Sawyer County Airport Report -

Hayward Aviation, LLC Report – A written report was provided. Mr. Leslie was unable to attend.

Runway Rehabilitation – Update on Project and Funds --

Winter Snow Removal – We are over budget in 2022 and are not on track to be on budget for 2023. A new snowblower will likely not be available until 2023/24 winter season.

Bureau of Aeronautics – Sponsor Meeting Update –New petition is likely coming in March to get airport improvement items current within the system.

Highway Commissioner’s Report -

A written report was provided. Mr. Beise reviewed the highlights of the report and advised that he one proposal coming in for the PS&E deck replacement on Blueberry Bridge. He reviewed the projects that will need a board member review on, including selecting a consultant designer for the CC Bridge and the Hwy B projects. There is a shortage on road salt and 2/3 of our supply is already used up and they are mixing sand with the salt in some cases. Sheriff Mrotek relayed that there is a very good communication relationship with the Highway Department. We continue to advertise for the Highway Commissioner position. Mr. Bisonette reported that he has been trying to arrange a joint meeting to discuss the ATV/UTV ordinance, and the tribal attorney has drafted a letter saying that they want to meet with county representatives prior to approving any ordinance. Mr. Bisonette will be in contact with the tribe and get on the agenda to pose the question on how to best proceed and then reach out to Mr. Kinsley.

Courtroom Remodeling Update -

Contingency Fund Update – Mr. Kinsley reviewed a communication from Mr. Albarado. The contingency fund is less than \$200,000 at this time. Additional security feature costs are \$45,000-\$50,000 plus undetermined costs for bullet-proof resistance measures. In addition, the handover date is delayed until March 31st due to delays in arrival of the

air handling unit. A special board meeting is to be held February 9th for discussion and possible approval. Sheriff Mrotek provided details on the requested features.

Consider possible changes/additions in scope of work – This will be discussed at the February 9th special board meeting.

Future Agenda Items – ATV/UTV Ordinance

Correspondence, reports from conferences and meetings -

Adjournment – 7:08 pm

Next Meeting: March 8, 2023 **Time:** 6:30 pm **Location:** Assembly Room
Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk

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