

**Minutes of the March 9th 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 – Vice Chair
- Ed Peters
- Dale Olson
- Brian Bisonette - Virtual

Others Present:

Tom Hoff
Mike Coleson
Lynn Fitch
Jane Schroeder
Mike Keefe

Others Present:

Derick Leslie
Gary Gedart
Linda Zillmer
Andrew Daniels

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 – A motion was made by Mr. Olson to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2022 meeting; second by Mr. Peters. Motion carried without negative vote.

Sawyer County Airport Report – A written report was provided. Mr. Leslie recognized Mr. Hoff for his work on the airport contracts and his guidance. Mr. Leslie reported on some key items in a proposed capital improvement plan, an informal document. He is working with Nate Dunston for potential training for emergency situations.

A Resolution Approving the Airport Master Plan Project Consultant Selection Process was presented for consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Helwig; second by Mr. Olson to approve the resolution and forward to County Board. Motion carried without negative vote.

Highway Commissioner's Report – A written report was provided. Mr. Gedart advised that both staff members who were on workmen's comp are now back working. Road bans will be placed at noon on March 17th. Bids will be opening for asphalt and pavement marking, and costs are expected to be high.

Mr. Gedart presented a letter from LCO requesting that consideration be made to install a roundabout at the corner of Hwy. B and K. No action taken at this time.

Maintenance Department Report – A written report was provided.

Courthouse Construction Update -- Mr. Hoff provided an update on the Oasis building remodeling. Tim Hagberg has been working with Veteran's Services and they will begin the move on March 10th. Mr. Keefe provided an overview of the Xcel easement draft. The easement has been reviewed by legal counsel. A motion was made by Mr. Helwig to approve the request to move forward with the easement and forward to County Board; second by Mr. Peters. Motion carried without negative vote.

At 7:10 pm a motion was made by Mr. Olson; second by Mr. Helwig to enter closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5 – 0 with "aye" votes from Kinsley, Helwig, Peters, Olson and Bisonette.

At 7:26 pm a motion was made by Mr. Olson; second by Mr. Helwig to enter open session. Motion carried without negative vote.

Meeting Date/Time – The next meeting of the Public Works Committee will be Wednesday, April 13, at 6:30 pm in the Assembly Room.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm

Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk

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