

**Minutes of the November 9<sup>th</sup> 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
- Chris Rusk - virtual
- Brian Bisonette -

**Others Present:**

Andy Albarado  
Tim Davison  
Lynn Fitch  
Kathy LaReau

**Others Present:**

Linda Zillmer  
James Schlender  
Jane Schroeder

**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** – A motion was made by Ed Peters to move 9a to 10c; second Mr. Rusk. Motion carried without negative vote.

**Public Comments** – Linda Zillmer

**Minutes from the previous meeting** – A motion was made by Mr. Rusk to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2022, meeting; second by Mr. Peters. Motion carried without negative vote.

**Maintenance Department Report** – A written report was provided.

**Sawyer County Airport Report** – A written report was provided. Mr. Albarado advised they continue to work on runway winter plans.

**Highway Commissioner's Report** -- ATV/UTV Ordinance Update – Mr. Gedart advised that legal has reviewed the most recent version of the ordinance. Mr. Albarado shared the ordinance on ZOOM. Legal counsel tightened up the introductory section and conforms to Wisconsin Statute 23.33 and cannot be any more stringent than the state. Hours of operation on the LCO reservation were identified as 6am to 11pm. A review of the speed limit on the reservation is yet to be completed. Mr. Schlender represented the wishes of the Tribe in drafting the conditions relating to “routes” on tribal lands. The operator age requirement needs to meet state statute. A recommendation to move the renewal date from February to April, and add an August route request date was heard. A motion was made by Mr. Rusk; second by Mr. Peters to change the dates to the April for renewal and requests and August for requests only. Motion carried without negative vote.

A written Highway Commissioner report was provided. Mr. Gedart reviewed the highlights, mentioning that interviews were conducted with the design firm consultants and awarded the projects that have been submitted to the DOT. The County was also awarded two new grant projects and the County will need to contribute 20% of the funds.

**Highway Speed Limits for ATV/UTV** – The speed limit from Badger Bay to Chappel Road is currently 55. A motion was made by Mr. Rusk; second by Mr. Peters to reduce the speed to 45 mph on that section; motion carried without negative vote.

**Courtroom Remodeling Update** -- Mr. Albarado presented an updated from Miron Construction. Walls are going up and it will be enclosed for the winter. He advised that the contingency fund started at \$395,000 and we anticipate about half of our contingency fund being used.

**2023 Budget Update** – A written schedule of proposed 2023 fees was provided. We are considering new fees at the airport for a few services.

**Meeting Date/Time** – The next meeting of the Public Works Committee will be Wednesday, December 7, at 6:30 pm in the Assembly Room.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk

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