

MEETING OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

HELD ON: SEPTEMBER 8th, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT: HOFFMAN, WOLK, PASZAK, HOLEWINSKI

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: SCHOLTES/HWY COMMISSIONER, COOPER/SECRETARY, RICH/ASST PATROL SUPT, DUTCHER/SHOP SUPT, CHARBARNEAU/LRES MGR, DESMOND/CORP COUNSEL, LEMKE/NOKOMIS ATV CLUB

The following matters were taken up to wit:

1. Hoffman called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. It was noted the meeting was properly posted and the media notified.
2. **Motion:** Wolk/Paszak to approve the agenda. All ayes.
3. **Motion:** Paszak/Wolk to approve the minutes of the August 25th, 2011 meeting. All ayes.
4. **Motion:** Holewinski/Wolk to approve vendor vouchers #480 – 487 for a total of \$38,155.66, plus personal expense vouchers presented. All ayes.
5. Discussed Nokomis ATV Club request to open portions of CTH “Y”, “N”, and “L” to ATV’s. Desmond said that, liability wise, the county would be covered under Recreation Immunity if an accident were to happen, but he would still recommend the trails be ten feet off the roadway. He also felt that because this would be a county wide policy change, it should be taken to the full County Board for their approval. Desmond said a process would then need to be established and certain criteria met before ATV’s could be allowed on a portion of county trunk highway. Holewinski suggested bringing the matter to County Board to see if they are in favor of opening county highways to ATV’s before any additional work is done on the issue. The committee asked Desmond to create a resolution for the next County Board meeting.
6. Committee/Supervisor discussions of department construction and/or maintenance activities.
Rich discussed:
 - State work: Large shouldering project adding 7,000 tons of gravel; mowing; patching; bridge maintenance; repaired three drains in Minocqua; sweeping intersections
 - County work: Two brooms trucks; three mowers; ‘D’ culvert going in today; ‘C’ painted today, ‘W’ tomorrow. Committee wants problems with flumes repaired on ‘W’
 - Other work: Had one man and forklift in Price Co applying non-skid material to bridge decks; Foster Lane for the Town of Pelican Bridge Aid is in, still needs to be paved over the top after it settlesScholtes discussed:
 - Meetings recently attended; read letter from Woodboro; discussed email correspondence; driveway permits; utility permits; PASER ratings are complete; Nokomis TRIP reimbursement denied, will substitute money into a future project; Union correspondence; Town of Cassian salt-sand information requestHoffman said he would like to see management come up with a way to extend the beats in an attempt to eliminate a route or two.
7. Dutcher informed the committee that three dump truck boxes need to be replaced and three need to have serious repairs done. He showed pictures of the rust damage and large holes in each truck box. Estimated cost for repairs for three boxes would be approximately \$21,000 and estimated cost of replacing the other three with stainless steel boxes would be approximately \$64,000. Dutcher stressed that the trucks need to be repaired because they are needed for winter snow plowing. Scholtes explained that, even though we do not have the money in our machinery account, the Finance Director told him it was ok to go in the red in this account. **Motion:** Holewinski/Paszak to purchase three new stainless steel truck boxes and repair other three boxes for estimated costs as discussed. All ayes.

8. **Motion:** Holewinski/Wolk to go into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1) (c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which this body has jurisdiction or responsibility. Roll call vote taken. All ayes.
- Highway Commissioner position
- Motion:** Holewinski/Wolk to return to open session. All ayes. No action taken.
9. Tabled permit fee discussion until a future meeting
10. Future meeting dates:
- September 22nd, 2011, 8:00 a.m.
 - October 13th, 2011, 8:00 a.m.
11. Future agenda items:
- Closed Session
 - ATV Club request
 - Permit fees
 - Sell trucks
12. No public comment.
13. **Motion:** Holewinski/Paszak to adjourn at 10:15 am. All ayes.