

December 19, 2023 meeting of the Monroe County Highway Committee

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 8:31 am by Chairperson David Pierce.

Members present: David Pierce, Wally Habhegger, Douglas Rogalla, and Nodji VanWychen. Zach Zebell arrived at 8:34 am.

Others present: Highway Commissioner – David Ohnstad, and Office Manager – Brooke Adams

2. Period of Public Comment

No public comment

3. Last Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2023 regular meeting made by Wally Habhegger, seconded by Doug Rogalla. All ayes, motion carried.

4. Review Vouchers and Credit Card Charges (Discussion)

Highway Department vouchers and expenditures were reviewed. Month vouchers: \$625,727.32.

5. 4039 CTH I DRIVEWAY (Discussion & Decision)

Commissioner Ohnstad said that there was residual asphalt on the driveway that had been placed prior to construction, but it did not cover the driveway. The driveway was not completed any differently than others along the highway. He reiterated that the county is recommending denial of the request. Committee members agreed, stating concerns that approval would allow for claims to be made by other property owners.

Motion to deny the request to pave the driveway at 4039 CTH I made by Wally Habhegger, seconded by Doug Rogalla. All ayes, motion carried.

6. Committee Project Review (Discussion)

The Committee members completed a road tour to see project updates through the southern portion of the county.

7. Commissioners Report (Discussion)

Commissioner Ohnstad provided a report on projects:

- Utility services have been extended for new storage building. Roof will be going on next.
- The Fire Chief did sign a petition to waive the sprinkler system in the new salt building. It has been submitted to DSPS for approval. We are still waiting on the response.
- Slope work on CTH P has been completed.
- Funding has been appropriated by legislature to inventory and complete assessments of bridges. Waiting on the DOT to provide rules on how to administer funding for the program.

8. Future Agenda Items

Next meeting date scheduled for Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 9:00 am at the Highway Administration Building.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.