

**Minutes of the Public Works Committee  
January 24, 2017**

Chair Dave Swan called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:** Dave Swan (Chair), Darlene Johnson, Keith Hammitt (arrived at 6:25 p.m.), Richard Morris, Tom Schellinger, and Chuck Wood. Absent: Steve Whittow

**Others Present:** Legislative Policy Advisor Sarah Spaeth, Engineering Services Manager Gary Evans, Chief of Staff Mark Mader, County Board Chair Paul Decker, Supervisors Dondlinger, Paulson, Mitchell, Wysocki and Michalski.

**Executive Committee Report of December 12, 2016**

Spaeth said Executive committee discussed ordinances that passed at the December County Board meeting.

**Discussed and Considered Ordinance 171-O-072: Delegation Of Authority To Approve Functional Executive Classification Changes For Highways In Rural Areas**

Evans said this ordinance will continue the practice of delegating authority to the Director of Public Works to approve Highway Functional Classification changes for highways in rural areas. Swan asked for clarification on the definitions of arterial and collector roads and Evans provided examples to the committee. (Hammitt arrived at 6:25 p.m.) Paulson was recognized and asked the committee not to support the ordinance, as he believes it chips away at the board's authority.

MOTION: Morris moved, second by Schellinger to approve ordinance 171-O-072. Motion carried 6-0.

**Update on the Wisconsin County Highway 2017 Winter Road School Conference**

Swan and Evans discussed a presentation that was given by Public Works Director Bussler regarding legislation that would allow locals to swap federal funds with state funds to complete local road projects. Committee members were emailed copies of the presentation.

**Approve Minutes of December 8, 2016**

MOTION: Wood moved, second by Morris to approve the minutes of December 8, 2016. Motion carried 6-0.

**Legislative Update**

Spaeth discussed the latest update on the transportation budget. Governor Walker will present his budget on February 8. Spaeth also discussed two pieces of legislation the county is monitoring relating to bus fares and bus shelters.

**Meeting Approval:** Hammitt moved, second by Wood to approve mileage for a February 16, 2017 DOT meeting.

MOTION: Hammitt moved, second by Morris to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Morris  
Secretary