

Minutes of the Public Works Committee

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Chair Swan called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Present: Supervisors Dave Swan, Jennifer Grant, Keith Hammitt, Darlene Johnson, Richard Morris, Tom Schellinger, and Steve Whittow.

Also Present: Legislative Policy Advisor Sarah Spaeth, Chief of Staff Mark Mader, Public Works Director Allison Bussler, Senior Civil Engineer Karen Braun, Highway Operations Manager Bob Rauchle, Senior Financial Analyst Rhiannon Cupkie, Construction Project Supervisor Jeff Lisiecki, Facilities Manager Shane Waeghe, Budget Management Specialist Bill Duckwitz, Clerk of Courts Gina Colletti, Principal Computer Services Coordinator Zach Tremaine, County Board Supervisors Jim Heinrich and Ted Wysocki, Sheriff Eric Severson, Inspector Jim Gumm, Captain Frank McElderry, Chief of Staff Shawn Lundie, Departmental Secretary Tony Di Frances, Chief Judge Jennifer Dorow, Engineering Services ManagerCarolynn Gellings, Register of Deeds Jim Behrend, Business Manager Lyndsay Johnson, Financial Analyst Josh Joost, Administration Director Norm Cummings, and Budget Manager Linda Witkowski. Recorded by Mary Pedersen, County Board Office.

Approve Minutes of August 16, 2018

MOTION: Johnson moved, second by Whittow to approve the minutes of August 16. Motion carried 7-0.

Executive Committee Report – August 20, 2018

Swan advised the Executive Committee approved three ordinances, five appointments, and determined sale values on County-owned foreclosure properties less than \$5,000. They also heard a report by Internal Audit Manager Lori Schubert on the Parks & Land Use and Public Works Permitting Processes Review and an update on the County's customer service program. Chair Decker reported on the County Board Chair Conference, and Workforce Development and Transportation Issues, and chairs gave standing committee reports.

Meeting Approvals

MOTION: Whittow moved, second by Hammitt to approve Morris' attendance at the Freight Rail Conference in October. Motion carried 7-0.

Future Meeting Dates

- September 27, 2018 (budget)
- October 11, 2018 (regular business)

Review, Discuss and Consider 2019-2023 Capital Projects Plan: Public Works – Facilities (Items 2-3); Public Works – Central Fleet (Item 1); and Public Works – Highways (Items 4-29)

Capital Project #201418: Courthouse Project – Secure Courtroom Construction; and #201705: Courthouse Project Step 2 – Renovate 1959 Courthouse

Bussler said they did a bid opening this week and bids are “trending fantastic.” Gilbrane did a great job cost estimating for this project. She discussed the justification for renovating the

courthouse including the construction of a new Courts Building addition as opposed to three other options that were considered. She also briefed the committee on the project timeline including design/construction and budget concepts from 2017 through completion.

Severson expressed concerns with operating expenses related to this project and said discussions as to how the additional deputy positions will be funded have been delayed. He advised they will not be able to make budget target unless they eliminate law enforcement positions. Severson noted the County Executive has suggested he use funds from seized properties which Severson said would be unethical. He is considering removing bailiffs from the courts because he cannot justify removing patrol officers. He noted his department is already underfunded for overtime costs. He also said that while he is in favor of video conferencing, he is opposed to how it is being designed and deputies will still be needed to move prisoners.

Lundie explained that all six correctional officer positions requested by the Sheriff during construction will be funded. Three of these positions will remain in perpetuity after construction is complete and will be phased in using fund balance. Severson disagreed and said they have not received cost-to-continue in years and this project is going to make it worse. He referred to this as annual underfunding and a systematic erosion of law enforcement.

Dorow said the judiciary supports this project. She stressed the need to continue community safety and court security, currently being provided by the Sheriff's Department. Staff will continue to work collaboratively with all stakeholders on issues such as funding, etc. Colletti concurred.

Answering Schellinger's question, Severson discussed potential cost saving solutions and suggested privatizing more services, eliminating the County auditor position and utilize outside auditors, and he brought up why the County would continue to subsidize golf courses and ice arenas while eliminating law enforcement. He has privatized medical services in the jail and questioned why medical services in Health & Human Services have not been privatized. Grant said constituents rate public safety high on the list and hard decisions need to be made. Some areas need more funding, such as law enforcement, while other areas of County government can be cut. Whittow agreed. Mader noted there is no tax levy in the golf course funds and the reason for contracting with outside auditors is because one of the two internal audit positions was eliminated a few years ago.

MOTION: Hammitt moved, second by Johnson to recommend approval of Capital Projects #201418 and #201705 to the Executive Committee. Motion carried 7-0.

Capital Project #201415: Fuel Tank Replacement and Infrastructure

Bussler, staff, and committee members discussed this project as outlined in the Capital Projects Plan. No major concerns were voiced.

MOTION: Grant moved, second by Hammitt to recommend approval of Capital Project #201415 to the Executive Committee. Motion carried 7-0.

Capital Project #201304: CTH Y, Pilak Creek Tributary Bridge Replacement; #201402: CTH XX, Pebble Brook Creek Bridge; #201502: CTH O, I-94 to USH 18; #201610: CTH O, CTH I to CTH ES; #201614: CTH E, Woodland Drive Intersection; #201620: CTH V V, Hickory St. to CTH F; #201801: CTH F, Northbound Bridge at Green Road; #201802: CTH V V,

Westbound Bridge Over Menomonee River; #201803: CTH O, CTH ES to STH 59 Rehabilitation; #201804: CTH DE, Wild Rose Lane to Oak Court - Spot Improvement; #201805: CTH T, Northview Road to I-94 Rehabilitation; #201004: CTH ES, Fox River Bridge; #201008: CTH M, Calhoun Rd. to East County Line; #201201: CTH Q Oconomowoc River Bridge; #201302: CTH YY, Underwood Creek; #201601: CTH I, Fox River Bridge; #201603: CTH O & I Intersection Reconstruction; #201611: CTH C, Hasslinger Drive Intersection; #201613: CTH D, Moraine Hills Drive Intersection; #201706: CTH D, Calhoun Road to 124th St. Rehab; #201701: Bridge Aid Program 2018 – 2022; #201904: Bridge Aid Program 2023 – 2027; #201618: Culvert Replacement Program 2018-2022; #201901: Culvert Replacement Program 2023-2027; #201416: Repaving Program 2018-2022; and #201906: Repaving Program 2023-2027

Bussler, staff, and committee members discussed these projects as outlined in the Capital Projects Plan. Wysocki spoke in favor of the Moorland Road project in New Berlin, project #201610, and would like to see this project moved up to address the poor condition of this road. Bussler responded that they agree Moorland Road is in need of repair and the County is spending approximately \$50 million on all Moorland Road projects. Regarding project #201008, Bussler drew attention to the significant cost increase of \$1.7 million from the original estimate.

MOTION: Morris moved, second by Grant to recommend approval of the above-listed capital projects to the Executive Committee. Motion carried 7-0.

Discuss and Consider Ordinance 173-O-043: Laying Out, Relocation And Improvement Of County Trunk Highway M - W. North Avenue To N. 124th Street, Waukesha County Project I.D. 2759-03-00

Braun and Gellings explained this ordinance which involves laying out, relocation and improvement of the CTH M, North Avenue, in the City of Brookfield and the Village of Elm Grove.

MOTION: Hammitt moved, second by Whittow to approve Ordinance 173-O-043. Motion carried 7-0.

Discuss and Consider Ordinance 173-O-044: Modify the 2018 Transportation Fund Budget for Additional State Routine Maintenance and Discretionary Maintenance Expenses

Rauchle and Cupkie were present to discuss this ordinance which appropriates additional expenditure authority in the State Highway Operations Program, funded with projected above-budget revenues earned through the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Routine Maintenance and Discretionary Maintenance agreements (RMA and DMA). Additional expenditure authority is needed for a new DMA project to repair concrete work on State Highway 59. In addition, above-average expenditures were incurred for snow/ice removal from severe winter weather in January through April 2018, additional maintenance work on state highways (e.g., pavement markings and repair), and retirement/separation payouts from turnover of long-term employees. The ordinance would increase expenditure authority and revenues \$717,000 for overtime, retirement/separation payouts, materials for concrete repair etc., vehicle costs including repair and fuel, and administrative costs. These expenditures are funded with state highway maintenance revenues and do not result in a direct tax levy impact.

MOTION: Hammitt moved, second by Whittow to approve Ordinance 173-O-044. Motion carried 7-0.

Discuss and Consider Bids for Wellness Center Roof Top Unit Replacement

Lisiecki and Waeghe were present to discuss this item. This project will be paid through the Health Insurance Fund, with reimbursements from the City of Waukesha and Waukesha school district. The existing Wellness Center roof top units (RTU) were installed in 1995 and are beyond their life expectancy. The average RTU has a 15 to 20 year use life. The unit has had continuous maintenance issues over the past 5 to 6 years resulting in a plan to replace before total failure. The contract was awarded to Mared Mechanical for a total contract cost of \$37,394 comprised of the base bid.

MOTION: Hammitt moved, second by Morris to approve the bid for the Wellness Center roof top unit replacement. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION: Morris moved, second by Hammitt to adjourn at 11:22 a.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene M. Johnson

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