



# POLK COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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## AGENDA AND NOTICE OF MEETING PUBLIC SAFETY AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Government Center  
 County Board Room  
 Balsam Lake, WI 54810  
 2:00 p.m. Tuesday July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**Purpose:** Review and action on selected items as listed below  
**Documents:** Minutes of April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015, monthly reports

ITEM	LEAD PERSON
Call to Order	Committee Chair
Approval of agenda Approval of minutes for April 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2015	
Public comment	
New business	
1. Questions on issues as contained in written monthly and quarterly reports  2. Annual reports  3. Recommendation on Resolution in Support of Sustainable Solution for Wisconsin Transportation System	County Administrator/ Dana Frey
4. Current Policy on use of ATV's on county roads	Highway Commissioner/Steve Warndahl
Future agenda items- Next meeting August 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2015	Committee members
Adjourn	

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## MINUTES

### PUBLIC SAFETY AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Government Center County Board Room

Balsam Lake, WI 54810

2:00 p.m. Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**Meeting called to order by Committee Chair Jay Luke at 2:00 P.M.**

#### Members present

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Jay Luke	Chair	Present
John Bonneprise	Vice Chair	Present
William Johnson	Supervisor	Present
Marvin Caspersen	Supervisor	Present
Larry Jepsen	Supervisor	Present

Also present Tammy Peterson, Executive Secretary, Dana Frey, and County Administrator and Steve Moe, Chief Deputy

**Approval of Agenda-** Chairman called for a motion to approve agenda. **Motion** (Caspersen/ Johnson) to approve agenda. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes-** Chairman called for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015. **Motion** (Jepsen/ Caspersen) to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

**Public Comment** – None

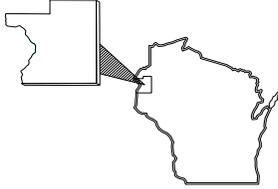
#### New Business

County Administrator Frey went over questions on issues as contained in written monthly and quarterly reports.

Chief Deputy Steve Moe spoke on a Proclamation to Honor the Law Enforcement Service and Citizenship of Deputy Michael Severson, scheduled for the April 21<sup>st</sup> County Board meeting. The WI State Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony will be held in Madison on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015, where Deputy Severson will be recognized and, on May 12<sup>th</sup>, his name will be entered in the national registry at a ceremony in Washington, DC.

Next meeting will be May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

**Motion** (Jepsen/ Bonneprise) to adjourn. Meeting adjourned 2:29 p.m.



## Polk County Highway Department

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Steve Warndahl, Commissioner

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### MONTHLY REPORT

April. 2015

#### **CONSTRUCTION & RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY ROADS**

##### **CURRENT:**

- RFP's are to be reviewed by highway in mid April
- County Rd J bridge is due for semi annual inspection in April and the bridge status will be reviewed at that time
- Culverts are bring estimated for Co D project
- 6 year road plan is being revised to adjust for no bonding finances in 2016
- Paul Gehrman has retired as a foreman and Bill Niles has been promoted to replace him

##### **UP COMING:**

- We continue to remove wings and sanders from plow trucks

#### **ROAD MAINTENANCE & REPAIR**

##### **CURRENT:**

- Spray patch trucks have plow and sander equipment removed and are ready for spray patching
- Spray patch oil has been delivered
- Spray patch with both units has started
- Crack sealing has begun on the County System

## MONTHLY REPORT

May. 2015

### CONSTRUCTION & RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY ROADS

#### CURRENT:

- County O has the asphalt wedge completed
- The Commissioner attended an informational meeting on the 2017 improvements to the 10 mph curve on highway 65
- Wear course and shouldering will be completed soon
- GG will be paved with wear course soon
- Chip seals are planned and a schedule is being established, with the Townships, County, and State we have about 40 miles this year
- We have hired Aryes and Associates to do a structural analysis on the County J bridge to assist us in making proper decisions about the future of the structure

#### UP COMING:

- The last sander was removed 5-14-15

### ROAD MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

#### CURRENT:

- County Road N has been crack sealed
- Spray patches continue to run daily on County and Township roads
- Adopt a highway and roadside cleanup continues
- Spot patching of shoulders is in progress County wide

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_-15

Resolution in Support of Sustainable Solution for Wisconsin Transportation System

TO THE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF POLK:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

WHEREAS, local government in Wisconsin is responsible for about 90% of the road miles in the state; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's diverse economy is dependent upon county and town roads, city and village streets and transit systems across the state; and

WHEREAS, according to a report commissioned by the Local Government Institute (LGI), the condition of Wisconsin's highways is now in the bottom third of the country, and

WHEREAS, state funding for local roads in Wisconsin has failed to keep up with costs over the past several decades, adversely affecting local transportation finances with municipal transportation spending declining from \$275 per capita in 2000 to \$227 in 2012 and with only two states increasing local transportation spending less than in Wisconsin during 2000-2011; and

WHEREAS, statutory levy limits prohibit local governments from making up for the deterioration of state funding; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's over-reliance on bonding eats away at the state's segregated funding sources, the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees, and increasingly go to pay debt-service rather than fund local transportation needs; and

WHEREAS, safety is a primary concern and responsibility of local governments across

Wisconsin. Unfortunately, according to TRIP, a national non-profit transportation research group, Wisconsin had 347 non-interstate, rural road fatalities in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Polk County Board of Supervisors recognizes that our state highway and interstate system is the backbone of our surface transportation system and plays a vital role in the economy of Wisconsin; and that local *and* state roads need to be properly maintained in order for our economy to grow; and

WHEREAS, from a competitive standpoint Wisconsin motorists pay significantly less than any of our neighbors when combining the annual cost of the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Finance and Policy Commission, appointed by the Governor and Legislature, clearly found that if Wisconsin does not adjust its user fees, the condition of both our state and local roads will deteriorate significantly over the next decade.

WHEREAS, that every month that state and local repairs are deferred increases the cost to the taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Polk County Board of Supervisors urge the Governor and Legislature to agree upon a sustainable solution one that includes a responsible level of bonding and adjusts our user fees to adequately fund Wisconsin's transportation system.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to our State Legislators and to Governor Scott Walker.

Funding Source/ Funding Amount:	Not Applicable
Date Reviewed as to Appropriations:	Not Applicable
Committee Recommendation as To Appropriation:	Not Applicable

Effective Date:	Upon Passage
Dated Submitted To County Board	July 21, 2015
Submitted By:	_____

<p>Review By County Administrator:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Recommended</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Dana Frey, County Administrator</p>	<p>Review By Corporation Counsel:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Approved as to Form</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Recommended</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel</p>
<p>Acknowledgement of County Board Action</p>	

Mark As Appropriate:

At its regular business meeting on the 21<sup>th</sup> of July 2015, the Polk County Board of Supervisors considered and acted on the above resolution, Resolution No. \_\_\_\_-15: Resolution In Support of Sustainable Solution for Wisconsin Transportation System, as follows:

- Adopted by simple majority of the board of supervisors by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ against.
- Adopted by unanimous vote.
- Defeated by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ against.
- Defeated by voice vote.
- Action Deferred by Procedural Action, as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

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SIGNED BY:

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William F. Johnson, IV, County Board Chairperson

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Carole T. Wondra, County Clerk



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**Motion** (Caspersen/Jepsen) to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

**Public Comment** – Don Langel from the Luck area ATV club handed out a county road list of proposed ATV routes to open for use.

**New Business**

County Administrator Frey went over questions on issues as contained in written monthly, quarterly and annual reports. Mr. Frey stated there is a change of procedure this year with annual reports. They will be combined with the condition of the county report.

Mr. Frey discussed the recommendation on resolution in support of sustainable solution for Wisconsin transportation system. Motion (Jepsen/Bonneprise) to move to County Board with full support. Motion carried.

Highway Commissioner Steve Warndahl handed out and went over the current policy on the use of ATV's on county roads. Chairman Luke requested Don Langel and Highway commissioner, Steve Warndahl meet to discuss and return with results at the September meeting.

Next meeting will be August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

**Motion** (Bonneprise/ Johnson) to adjourn. Meeting adjourned 2:57 p.m.