PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

April 9, 2012

Administrative Center – Room 3220

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Chuck Spiker, Jim Berns (arr. 4:03 p.m.), Arlene Benrud, Ralph Geary, Jai Johnson, Jeff Schroeder
MEMBERS EXCUSED:	Leon Pfaff
OTHERS PRESENT:	Dave Lange, Ron Chamberlain, Hank Koch, Jim Speropulos, Keith Back, Randy Nedrelo, Dave Holtze, Steve O'Malley, Sharon Hampson, Jeff Treder, Gary Hougom, Terri Pavlic

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Treder, from the Tri-County Trailblazers ATV Club introduced himself. He was present for Agenda Item #7 and if questions come up, he will be able to answer them.

APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 5, 2012 PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

MOTION by Schroeder/Benrud to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2012 PWI meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.** (Berns and Pfaff excused)

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Check Requisitions over \$20,000 (handout)
- b. WCHA Summer Conference information if you would like to attend, please contact Margaret Norden
- c. Solid Waste Director's Report Hank Koch noted this will be the last Gas to Energy Report. The project was completed on budget at the end of the year and the system is operational. March was the first billing for \$17,900 to Gundersen Lutheran. He will give monthly statistics how much gas is produced and how much we have billed.

MOTION by Benrud/Schroeder to receive and file the above listed Consent Agenda items. **Motion carried unanimously**. (Pfaff excused)

CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORT

There were no conference/meeting reports.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF HIGHWAY OPERATIONS

MOTION by Schroeder/Berns to approve the Financial Report of Highway Operations. **Motion carried unanimously.** (Pfaff excused)

ATV ROUTE REQUEST FOR COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAY V

Ron Chamberlain received a request from Jeff Treder, VP of the Tri-County Trailblazers ATV Club. The Club is requesting access along CTH-V from the Black River bottoms out to Black Oak Inn. In reviewing the request, Ron did not have issues with the portion of CTH-V from the river bottoms out to the intersection of CTH-Q. However, at the intersection of Q and V, there are some concerns with site distance and interaction with traffic. A copy of this request has been sent to Corporation Counsel for review. Dave Lange is requesting a little more time to review the matter. **MOTION** by Johnson/Berns to delay the request for 60 days and bring back to the committee. **Motion carried unanimously.** (Pfaff excused)

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BID QUOTE FORM RE: CARD ACCESS SYSTEM

Jim Speropulos reported that it is time to upgrade the software and some of the hardware for the card access system that the County currently uses. The proposal is from Ban-Koe Systems for \$29,672.90. The current system will no longer be able to be expanded without the upgrade. **MOTION** by Berns/Spiker to approve. **Motion carried unanimously**. (Pfaff excused)

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO SELL UNIMPROVED PARCEL TO CITY OF LA CROSSE

La Crosse County has acquired title to certain property through tax foreclosure, and the City of La Crosse wishes to purchase the property. The parcel is part of a bike and walking trail along Pammel Creek. The total amount for the property is \$36.19. **MOTION** by Benrud/Johnson to approve. **Motion carried unanimously**. (Pfaff excused)

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF EASEMENT TO CITY OF LA CROSSE TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN A RECREATIONAL TRAIL AT THE LA CROSSE COUNTY LANDFILL SITE

The Master Land Use Plan for the landfill identified a number of walking trails on the La Crosse County landfill property. For the last few years we have been working with City of La Crosse on the development of a walking trail that is on landfill property adjacent to the La Crosse International Business Park. This resolution allows for an easement to the City of La Crosse for the construction and maintenance of a recreational trail. The City of La Crosse will build and maintain the trail. **MOTION** by Johnson/Geary to approve. **Motion carried unanimously**. (Pfaff excused)

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO SELL UNIMPROVED PARCEL TO VILLAGE OF WEST SALEM

MOTION by Geary/Johnson to approve this resolution. La Crosse County acquired title to this property in 2011 pursuant to a tax foreclosure. This small parcel is basically the drainage area and contains a retention pond for stormwater around the development. The total amount for the property is \$2,095.52. **Motion carried unanimously**. (Pfaff excused)

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR THE SALE OF PROPERTY TAKEN BY TAX FORECLOSURE

MOTION by Benrud/Johnson to approve this resolution. La Crosse County has advertised for the sale of approximately 11 separate parcels of property which were the subject of a prior tax foreclosure and bids were received on March 30, 2012 (attached). This resolution would authorize the County to accept the highest bids on these properties, except for the lower bid of Douglas Servais as he is an adjoining landowner. A couple of the parcels will be re-advertised without a minimum bid because no bids were received. **Motion carried unanimously.** (Pfaff excused)

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: May 7, 2012

ADJOURN

MOTION by Schroder/Johnson to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously**. (Pfaff excused)

The above minutes may be approved, amended or corrected at the next Committee meeting.

Recorded by Terri Pavlic