

MINUTES OF THE  
BAYFIELD COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE  
5:00 PM, September 5, 2018  
Bayfield County Highway Department, Washburn WI

Members Present: James Crandall, Larry Fickbohm, Marty Milanowski and Jeremy Oswald.

Members excused: Harold Maki

Others Present: Highway Commissioner Paul Johanik, Susan Butterfield, Highway Office Manager, Deputy Jeff Kitzner.

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chairman Crandall.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 3, 2018.

Johanik reported he received a request for an ATV route on CTH M but has not received the application form.

Discussion between Committee Members regarding an ATV route on CTH H in The Towns of Iron River and Town of Delta, a map and pictures were shared. An application was received from the Town of Iron River but not Town of Delta, must have an application from both towns to open the entire route. Scenic Drive to Knutson Drive, bad corner regardless of what you're driving, narrow bridge. Perhaps reducing the speed limit to 45 mph on CTH H between Scenic Drive and Buskey Bay Drive would be a possibility. Who is legally responsible for accidents on ATV routes? Speed limits for ATV's are the same as car traffic unless an ordinance is in place through the township. Kitzner mentioned some concern opening Scenic Drive to Iron River but Scenic Drive to Buskey Bay Drive should be ok. Night riding should not be an issue as car traffic is not heavy.

Meeting was opened to public comment, several members of the Trails North ATV Club present. A few comments included: 1) there is no problem with the trail system in this area, but the home owners along proposed route must trailer their machines to get to the trails. In some cases, it is only a quarter mile or less down the road. 2) Local businesses are losing business, there are fewer snowmobilers (because of milder winters) and more ATV's. Spot Supper Club mentioned as one of the businesses. 3) Trails North ATV Club offers safety programs. 4) From Scenic Drive to Hart Lake Road people are driving on the shoulders and ditches.

Motion by Milanowski, Oswald and carried to approve three segments of ATV routes between Scenic Drive and Buskey Bay Drive, Town of Iron River and Town of Delta, pending an approval and application request from the Town of Delta and an opinion from Bayfield County Sheriff Susienka.

Deputy Kitzner also asked the Committee to consider opening two other sections. Johanik explained the Town Boards would have to approve and fill out the necessary paperwork.

Motion by Milanowski, Fickbohm and carried to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2018 meeting.

Vouchers were audited. Motion by Milanowski, Oswald and carried to approve vouchers totaling \$769,564.27.

Town of Barksdale has requested bridge aid for two bridges, costs have been turned into Administrator Abeles-Allison to be included on the 2019 Bridge Aid Budget. Motion by Milanowski, Oswald and carried to approve the two bridges for the Town of Barksdale.

Commissioner Reports:

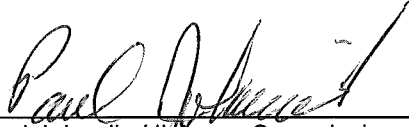
1. Flood – Pigeon Lake – water to centerline. Would like to raise the road 700' long X 2' deep. Contractor would do the work, money is available, also would need approval from the DNR.
2. Finger Lake Road and CTH H needs a culvert as Finger Lake Road is washing out.
3. CTH's N and Y starting next week. County forces will be placing gravel on CTH Y first. Plant is moving in the week of September 21<sup>st</sup> to start paving on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
4. Waiting for Northwoods to start paving all flood patches.
5. State will mill and fill the eastern 3 miles of CTH G and shoulder and paint all of CTH G.
6. We will have to crush gravel this year at the Ruth Lake Pit, approximately 20,000 ton. Existing gravel will be used on CTH N project.
7. We have received 6 applications for the patrolman position at the Iron River garage. 3 applicants have been selected for interviews.

Committee Input:

1. Oswald is inquiring about the gravel at the sled dog pit. Johanik reported we will be using it on STH 13.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

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Paul Johanik, Highway Commissioner  
Bayfield County Highway Department