



COUNTY OF BURNETT  
**INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

Burnett County Government Center

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## MINUTES

Infrastructure Committee

December 12, 2012

**CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Awe called the December 12, 2012, meeting of the Infrastructure Committee to order at 9:02 a.m. in Room 165 of the Burnett County Government Center.

### **NOTICE POSTED IN ACCORDANCE TO WIS. STAT. 19.84 OPEN MEETING LAW**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Richard Anderson, Charles Awe, Dale Dresel, Emmett Byrne, Jeremy Gronski, Bert Lund, Jr. and Christopher Sybers (10:10 a.m.).

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** None.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER** Motion to approve the agenda order was made by Supervisor Lund, seconded by Supervisor Byrne. Motion carried, voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 10, 2012, MEETING** Motion to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2012, Infrastructure Committee meeting was made by Supervisor Gronski, seconded by Supervisor Lund. Motion carried, voice vote.

### **AIRPORT DEPARTMENT**

**Year-To-Date Budget Summary** There were no questions on the submitted Year-To-Date Budget Summary Report. Chairman Awe asked Airport Manager Jeremy Sickler to clarify the contractual services expenditure of \$447,703.31. Mr. Sickler explained the expenditure is for purchase of land needed for construction of the State Road 35/70 roundabout. Because there are questions about the purchase, the check has not been issued. The area has been identified as Karner Blue Butterfly habitat and design changes may be considered. Discussion ensued on possible use of the former antique building at Forts Folle Avoine.

**Operation Report** There were no questions on the submitted Operation report. Airport Manager Jeremy Sickler updated the committee on his inspection of private hangars.

**Project Reports** Mr. Sickler reviewed the background of the drag racing event proposed by Mike Sperry and Larry Koch and answered questions from the committee. Mr. Sperry was present and spoke about the tourism potential of the event. Mr. Sperry confirmed that all logistical details would be managed by the event organizers and the Burnett County Airport would have no liability. Discussion ensued on securing approval from the Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics (WBOA) and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for a drag racing event at the Burnett County Airport similar to that held in Osceola, Wisconsin. Chairman Awe stated the proposed resolution will demonstrate to the WBOA and the FAA there is local support for the event.

**Resolution – Drag Racing Event at the Burnett County Airport** Motion to approve Resolution in Support of a Drag Racing Event at the Burnett County Airport was made by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Dresel. Discussion ensued on required WBOA FAA approval for the event. Motion carried, voice vote. Mr. Sickler was directed to research potential damage to the runway and provide a summary of the Osceola event for the December 20, 2012, county board meeting.

#### **MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT**

**Year-To-Date Budget Summary** There were no questions on the submitted Year-To-Date Budget Summary report.

**Operational Report** Maintenance Supervisor Gary Faught reviewed the Operational report. Bid requests for 2013 jail projects are being published.

**Project Reports/Other** There were no questions on the submitted 2012 Projects Report.

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

**Year-to-Date Budget Summary** There were no questions on the submitted Year-To-Date Budget Summary Report.

**Resolution – 2013 County Highway Improvement and Rehabilitation** Chairman Awe stated the resolution is a positive statement in support of spending \$1,000,000.00 for the first year of the Five-Year Plan. Motion to approve the resolution was made by Supervisor Dresel, seconded by Supervisor Anderson. Motion carried, voice vote.

**Operational Report** Highway Commissioner Robert Morehouse reviewed the Operations Report and answered questions from the committee. Three wood chippers will be demonstrated at the Jackson Town Hall on December 13, 2012.

**Projects Reports/Other** Mr. Morehouse reported 2012 projects for towns and others were completed before the recent snow storm. Discussion ensued on required highway sign maintenance and replacement which is ongoing although federal requirements have eased.

**Resolution - Urging State Legislators to Vote in Favor of Transportation Dollars for Transportation** Motion to approve the resolution Urging State Legislators to Vote in Favor of Transportation Dollars for Transportation was made by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Byrne. Motion carried, voice vote.

**PAPERLESS UPDATE** County Clerk Wanda Hinrichs updated the committee on the status of the project. Standing committee and county board meeting packets will continue to be mailed through January, 2013, after which the switch to paperless will be complete. Ms. Hinrichs is very pleased with how the paperless project has been embraced by county board supervisors.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** None.

**NEXT MEETING DATE** January 9, 2013.

**ADJOURN** Motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Gronski, seconded by Supervisor Sybers . Motion carried, voice vote. Chairman Awe adjourned the meeting at 10:28 a.m.