

Meeting Minutes
Town of Kinnickinnic Road Committee
August 21, 2011

The Road Committee began the meeting at the Quarry Road curve. Roger Van Beek called the meeting to order at 4:20 pm. Dan Bauer, Bill Gnatzig and Dave Simons were in attendance. Don Schone and Gordon Awsumb were absent.

Potential Quarry Road Improvements for 2012

The group looked at potential improvements to the Quarry Road curve, which is approximately 1087 feet long from the south end at the City boundary to the north end of the curve. Several options were discussed, but it appeared that the best treatment of the curve area would be to pulverize the pavement and repave to a total width of 26'. This would provide two 11' lanes, and 2' wide paved shoulders on both sides. Due to the steep existing side slopes it was felt that the addition of a bike lane would be too expensive. It was suggested that the trees and brush on the inside of the curve be cut back approximately 20' to provide better sight distance around the curve. This property is owned by Randy Cudd and Roger said he could contact him to discuss it. It was also suggested that reflectors could be added along the outside of the curve (west side) to better define the curve visually during night-time conditions.

A discussion was held as to whether the Quarry Road project should be a 1 year project or a 2 year project. The Town Board may discuss this at the September 6, 2011 Town Board meeting. Dave will check into the cost of getting some soil borings on Quarry Road to determine the condition of the underlying soils. Dave will also check with Monarch Paving to find out what the estimated cost of asphalt might be next spring, and how the change in Prevailing Wage laws might impact prices.

At approximately 4:45 p.m., the meeting was moved to the River Falls Public Library due to another meeting which was taking place at the Town Hall.

Minutes from the July 21, 2011 meeting were reviewed and approved (motion Gnatzig, second Bauer, approved unanimously).

Highland Road Bridge

It was reported that there was no new information from WisDOT on the Highland Road Bridge project. Dave will contact WisDOT to find out the status.

Class B Highways

Dave will forward the draft Class B Highway ordinance to Lola along with a copy of the state statutes related to the creation of Class B Highways. This information will be forwarded to the Town Board for their consideration at the September 6, 2011 meeting.

Update on 2011 Projects

St. Croix County Highway Department has completed the chip emulsion pothole spray patch work on various roads in the Town. Scott Construction has also completed their seal coating work on various roads within the town. JCE has been working on some tree limbing along Rifle Range Road. Some boulders have been removed along roadside ditches also. The County will be doing another round of roadside mowing soon. Several roads will need some hot mix patches yet this fall (Quarry, Highland and Evergreen).

Road and Driveway Ordinance

Dave circulated copies of the Road and Driveway Ordinance that is currently on the Town's books along with draft copies of the proposed updated ordinance. Recommended changes to the original document were highlighted in yellow on the updated draft ordinance. The group suggested some additional changes to the document and requested that further color coding be done. **Motion was made by Van Beek, second made by Gnatzig, to ask the Engineer to make updates to the Road and Drive Ordinance and to bring a revised draft to the next Committee meeting. Motion was approved unanimously.** It was also suggested that the Road and Driveway Ordinance needs to be coordinated with the proposed Subdivision Ordinance, and that a joint meeting could be scheduled at some future time.

Next Meeting

The next Road Committee meeting will be September 12, 2011 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The agenda for the next meeting will include: Quarry Road Improvements, Highland Road Bridge, 2011 Projects, Road and Drive Ordinance and the 2012 Road Budget.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. (motion by Van Beek, seconded by Gnatzig, passed unanimously).