



# WINNEBAGO COUNTY

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## MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE OF THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD

**Called by:** Chairman Tassoni

**DATE:** Tuesday, July 19, 2022

**TIME:** 5:00 p.m.

**Members:** Angela Fellars,  
Burt Gerl, David Kelley (Vice-  
Chairman), Jim Webster and  
Kevin McCarthy

**LOCATION:** Room 510  
County Administration Building  
404 Elm Street  
Rockford, IL 61101

### MINUTES:

- A. Call to Order – CHAIRMAN TASSONI CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:00 P.M.
- B. Rollcall –  
Present: Dave Tassoni, Burt Gerl, Dave Kelley, Jim Webster and Kevin McCarthy  
  
Also: Carlos Molina, County Engineer  
John Giliberti, State Attorney’s Office
- C. Approval of Minutes – MR. TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE July 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes. SECONDED BY MR. GERL, MR. MC CARTHY AND MR KELLEY. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT  
Closed Meeting - None
- D. Public Comment – This is the time we invite the public to address the Public Works Committee with issues and concerns. We ask you to limit your comments to three minutes. Personal attacks or inappropriate language of any sort will not be tolerated. A maximum of five speakers will be heard on a first come basis with sign up at the meeting. Speakers may not address zoning matters, which are pending before the Zoning Committee, Zoning Board of Appeals, or the County Board. Personnel matters or pending or threatened litigation may not be addressed in open session. An individual may speak a maximum of three times per calendar year on the same topic. This prohibition shall include the repetition of the same topic in a statement on what is purported to be a different topic. After acknowledgement by the chair, please stand and state your name. Thank you for your cooperation.



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## E. Legislation

### Old Legislation –

### New Legislation –

**(22-030)** CHAIRMAN TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Winnebago and the County of Stephenson for Roadway Maintenance. Mr. Molina explained to the PWC that this IGA is to allow Highway Departments in both Counties to exchange services and resources for general maintenance of County roadways on a “as needed only” basis. This would benefit taxpayers in both Counties. **SECONDED BY MR. MC CARTHY.** MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.

Cost: \$N/A  
Wide

C.B. District: County

**(22-031)** CHAIRMAN TASSONI MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A Resolution Authorizing the Operation of Non-Highway Vehicles on South Street (CH 62) and Crowley Road (CH 79) within the Village of Durand. Mr. Molina distributed handouts of the Village of Durand’s Ordinance and Resolution regarding non-highway vehicles. Mr. Molina informed the Committee that the Village of Durand has approved this Ordinance allowing the operation of utility terrain vehicles (UTV’S) and other recreational off-highway vehicles (OHV’S) on streets under their jurisdiction. Mr. Webster further explained that County Highway 62 (South Street) and County Highway 79 (Crowley Road) are under Winnebago County’s jurisdiction. The Village is asking the County to allow non-highway vehicles within the village limits. Further discussion followed by PWC. **SECONDED BY MR. WEBSTER AND MR. KELLEY.** MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.

Cost: \$n/a

C.B. District: 2

### Other Matters –

### Budget Amendment-

### Change Order(s) for Information Only –

## F. Reports

### a. PWC Chairman Tassoni –

- b. County Engineer Molina – Mr. Molina updated the PWC that the AFSCME Union is still in negotiations. A mediator has been brought in to assist with the negotiations.

Mr. Molina informed the Committee that we are continuing to have Operation personnel continue to leave the County for higher paying jobs after we have invested time and training dollars. We start our Maintainers at a lower rate than most public works and highway department agencies around us. Further discussion followed by PWC.



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- c. Tire Drive – Mr. Molina informed the PWC that on September 29, 2022 in conjunction with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA), we will be having a “public agency only” tire drive. The agencies have been contacted.
  - d. Water System Pump - Mr. Molina updated the PWC that in the next few weeks we will be going out to bid for the replacement of pump #1 for the Water System.
- G. New Business –
- H. Adjourn/Recess – MR. WEBSTER MOVED TO ADJOURN. SECONDED BY MR. KELLEY. MOTION APPROVED BY ALL PRESENT.  
Meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tracy Robinson, Administrative Assistant