

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD  
Highway Department Five-Year Plan Meeting  
August 8, 2006**

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the conference room at the Highway Department at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, August 8, 2006. Chairman Athey called the meeting to order with Commissioners Olson, Janssen and Tomschin present. Absent was Commissioner Swigerd. Also present were Gary Haugen, Terry LaVoi, Toby Reiffenberger, Derrick Loeschke, County Engineer Nick Anderson, and Clerk Laura Berger.

Engineer Anderson reviewed the 5-year plan for road construction. Motion by Olson, seconded by Tomschin and carried to approve the plan as presented. Anderson reviewed the status of the 2006 construction season and the current gravel crushing contract. The Commissioners set the county tour date for Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM.

The 5-year plan for major purchases was presented. Motion by Janssen, seconded by Olson and carried to authorize the 2007 purchases as listed.

The 2007 bid letting schedule was presented.

The Board directed Engineer Anderson to talk to Gary Hoffman of the Big Stone SWCD concerning wetland delineation for the bike path.

Discussion was held on transportation funding and the Functional Class Study being done by the State of Minnesota. This study will affect which county highways will receive federal funding in the future.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Tomschin and carried to adopt the following resolution:

**2006-23**

WHEREAS, Big Stone County has determined that the following bridges on the CSAH, County Road, Township, and Municipal Street systems are a high priority and require construction, replacement or rehabilitation within the next five (5) years. The construction and replacement is as follows:

***CONSTRUCTION AND REPLACEMENT PLAN***

<u>Old Bridge No.</u>	<u>Road No.</u>	<u>Estimated Project Cost</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Local Funds</u>	<u>Bond Funds Needed</u>	<u>Twp. Bridge Funds</u>	<u>Proposed Const. Year</u>
5411	CSAH 30	\$1,525,000	\$500,000	\$150,000	\$875,000	\$ 0	2007
	T 34	\$ 100,000	\$ 0	\$ 10,000	\$ 75,000	\$15,000	2007
	CSAH 20	\$ 150,000	\$ 0	\$ 15,000	\$135,000	\$ 0	2008
	CR 75	\$ 150,000	\$ 0	\$ 15,000	\$135,000	\$ 0	2008
88843	CSAH 25	\$ 150,000	\$ 0	\$ 20,000	\$130,000	\$ 0	2009

WHEREAS, local roads play an essential role in the overall state transportation network and local bridges are the critical component of the local road systems, and  
WHEREAS, State support for the construction, replacement or rehabilitation of local bridges continues to be crucial to maintaining the integrity of the local road systems and

is necessary for the County and the townships to proceed with the replacement or rehabilitation of the high priority deficient bridges described above, and WHEREAS, Big Stone County intends to proceed with construction, replacement or rehabilitation of these bridges as soon as possible when State Transportation Bond Funds are available,

BE IT RESOLVED, Big Stone County commits that it will proceed with the design and contract documents for these bridges immediately after being notified that funds are available in order to permit construction to take place within one year of notification.

Engineer Anderson reported that the Highway Maintenance/Highway Technician position was classified at a Grade 17 and will be approved for posting at the next board meeting.

Following a break, discussion was held on the County's purchase price for right-of-way.

Discussion was held on various County Highway Department policies.

Snow plowing routes and information on transportation funding were distributed.

Motion by Janssen, seconded by Olson and carried to adopt the following resolution:

**2006-24**

BE IT RESOLVED, the following minimum equipment rental rates will be charged on all work done off the County System of roads effective October 1, 2006. These rates include equipment operating supplies, and an operator.

<b>EQUIPMENT Supplies and Operator Included</b>	<b>HOURLY RATES</b>	
Motor Grader – Blading	\$80.00	
Motor Grader - Plowing	\$90.00	
Mechanics/Sign Truck	\$70.00	
Oshkosh Snow Plow	\$85.00	
Tandem Truck	\$75.00	
Tandem Truck with Pup Trailer	\$85.00	
Tandem Truck with Sander, Wing and Plow	\$90.00	
Cat D6 Dozer	\$110.00	
Tractor	\$55.00	
4-Wheel Drive Tractor	\$65.00	
Tractor with Mower	\$70.00	
Tractor with Duel Mower	\$75.00	
Tractor With Batwing Mower	\$80.00	
Bobcat Skid Steer	\$50.00	
Case 821 Front End Loader	\$90.00	
John Deere 644H Front End Loader	\$90.00	
Front End Loader with Snow Blower	\$125.00	
Ford 655 C Tractor Backhoe	\$80.00	
<b>EQUIPMENT No Operator Included</b>	<b>HOURLY RATES</b>	<b>DAILY RATES</b>
Packer – Rubber Tire	\$15.00	\$100.00
Chipper Shredder	\$30.00	\$200.00
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>RATE</b>	

Car – All Types and Sizes	\$0.45 /mile
Pickup – All Types and Sizes	\$0.50 /mile
Sport Utility Vehicle	\$0.50 /mile
Survey Vehicle	\$0.60 /mile

Motion by Olson, seconded by Janssen and carried to authorize the expenditure for the redetermination of benefits on County Ditches #5 and #21.

Motion by Tomschin, seconded by Janssen and carried to approve an additional \$4,259.81 to complete County Ditch #16.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Tomschin and carried to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Athey declared the meeting adjourned at 11:50 AM.

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Wade Athey, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Laura Berger, Clerk