

Richland County

Public Works Standing Committee

April 10, 2025

The Richland County Public Works Standing Committee convened on Thursday, April 10, 2025 in person and virtually at 4:00 PM in the County Boardroom of the Richland County Courthouse.

Call To Order: Committee Vice Chair Cosgrove called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Roll Call: Deputy Clerk Hege conducted roll call. Committee member(s) present: Steve Carrow, Gary Manning, Chad Cosgrove, and Steve Williamson. Committee member(s) not present: Kerry Severson, Marc Couey, and Daniel McGuire.

Verification of Open Meetings Law Compliance: Deputy Clerk Hege confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed.

Approval Of Agenda: Motion by Manning, second by Williamson to approve agenda. Motion carried and agenda declared approved.

Approval Of Minutes From March 13, 2025 Meeting: Vice Chair Cosgrove asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the March 13, 2025 meeting. Hearing none, Vice Chair Cosgrove declared the minutes approved as published.

Public Comment: Shirley Welte of Dayton Township asked the committee about the financial impact of the campus buildings on the public works department. Brief discussion ensued.

Reports:

A. Property Management Report: Departmental Activities: County Maintenance Manager, Randall Nelson reported that his departmental activities included: replacing several light fixtures in the Health and Human Resources building, moving furniture from the former campus to the Emergency Services department, and gave brief update on the status of the drain and pump issue in the ceiling of the band room at the former campus. Extensive discussion ensued. Interim Deputy County Administrator/County Highway Commissioner Elder have a brief update on the progress on the campus bridge project and the estimated completion date was still June 17, 2025. Extensive discussion ensued.

B. Highway Commissioner Administrative Report: Departmental Activities & Review Of Monthly Bills: County Highway Commissioner, Joshua Elder reported that brush clearing continued on County Hwy O, shoulder work and crack filling projects were going on throughout the county. Commissioner Elder gave a brief synopsis of his recent trip to Washington, DC. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Elder presented the monthly bills to the committee. Extensive discussion on the contract with Miller Bradford ensued.

Supervisor Couey arrived at 4:32 PM.

Discussion & Possible Action: Review Of Use Of County Vehicles: Deputy Interim County Administrator/Highway Commissioner Elder reported that there was work being done to create a county wide vehicle use policy. Brief discussion ensued.

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Future Agenda Items:

Discussion & Possible Action: Update On Drainage At Campus

Discussion & Possible Action: 50/50 Cost Share With Townships

Discussion & Possible Action: Review Of Use Of County Vehicles

Correspondence: None

Adjourn: Vice Chair Cosgrove entertained a motion to adjourn. Motion by Manning, second by Carrow to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 4:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,



Myranda H. Hege
Deputy County Clerk