

**Minutes of the September 11, 2024 meeting of the Sawyer County
Public Works Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Board Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members Present:

- ☒ Chair: Ron Kinsley
- ☒ Vice Chair: Marc Helwig
- ☒ Randy Neumann
- ☒ Chuck Van Etten
- ☒ Brian Bisonette

Others Present:

Andy Albarado
John Pinnow
Lynn Fitch
Derek Leslie

Others Present:

Public speakers listed
below

Call to Order – Chair Kinsley called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was met. Roll Call was taken; quorum was met.

Meeting Agenda –

Public Comments – Linda Zillmer, Suzie Ullmer

Minutes from the previous meeting dated: August 7, 2024

Motion to approve made by: Mr. Helwig Second by: Mr. Neumann
Motion carried without negative vote.

Maintenance Department Report -

A written report was provided by Mr. Hagberg identifying courthouse projects including the building of an additional sleeping room in the Hayward ambulance station.

Highway Commissioner's Report -

A written report of highway projects and activity was provided and reviewed by Mr. Pinnow detailing the roadway projects completed and underway. Dustin will be here Sept 11th from Keeping Safety Simple for slips, trips, falls, and ladder safety training. Mowing projects are ahead of schedule and paving is running late due to equipment breakdowns at Monarch. A copy of the online survey brochure/link was included.

Sawyer County Airport Report -

A written report was provided. Mr. Albarado advised that the airport remains busy and we are on target for a spring 2025 shutdown for construction, though we do not have the bids for the runway project yet. He will follow up on the next public meeting for the Master Plan discussion. The equipment used for snow removal and who completes the removal will be reviewed over the next year. There are no updates regarding airport contract renewal at this time.

Outside Committee Updates -

Sawyer County Airport Report -

Fandler Hangar Renewal – Mr. Albarado presented a resolution and packet to consider the 10-year extension for David Fandler. A motion was made by Mr. Helwig to approve the extension for Mr. Fandler and forward to County Board; second by Van Etten. Motion carried without negative vote.

Hayward Aviation LLC Report – A written report was provided, and the 2025 runway project plans are starting to come into focus. The Master Plan meeting dates should be decided this week. A private hangar has become available so a future sale request will come to the Committee. The block grant for the runway was approved for \$2.2M.

Closed Session

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(e) to enter closed session for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Airport Management Contract, a motion was made to enter closed session at 6:54 pm by Mr. Van Etten; second by Mr. Neumann. A roll call vote was taken and carried 5:0 with “yes” votes from Neumann, Van Etten, Helwig, Kinsley and Bisonette.

At 7:41 pm a motion was made by Mr. Helwig; second by Mr. Neuman to leave closed session. Motion carried without negative vote. No action was taken in closed session. This will move to next month.

Future Agenda Items –

Correspondence, reports from conferences and meetings – Airport contract

Adjournment: 7:43 pm

Next Meeting: October 9, 2024

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Board Room

Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk