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## *Meeting Minutes May 19, 2022*

Attending: Sandi Pointer, Eric Imes; PW Director, Mike Haugen, Frank Osmin, Rolf Prag, Gerry Arnson, Lori Seitz, Bob Gates, Cam Sweeney, Brian Thompson, Mike Duncan, Edna Dalzel, Joe McElligott and Liz Peterson.

Virtual ZOOM: Mike Gorman, Joe Taylor, Aaron Palmquist

- Welcome and Introductions – Round table discussion and introductions
- Committee vacancy and activity to advertise to receive additional – took roll call; present at time of meeting Can Sweeney, Gerry Arnson, Brian Thompson, Lori Seitz, Bob Gates, Frank Osmin, Joe McElligott and Aaron Palmquist.
- Review and approval of December 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 meeting minutes, Brian *Thompson*, Joe *McElligott*. *Minutes stand as presented.*
- 5 Year plan update and Discussion – Going through the past projects and cost, then what projects that are going to be done and a cost associated with them. Eric discusses putting new advertisement for upcoming projects for performing the projects, Several Boardman roads that need completed and got attention. Looking at Bunker Hill, Liberty School and South end of the roads. Working up different projects and a five-year plan. Eric mentions he would like to really work on a preservation of the road system. Viewing the slides from past projects and their costs.
- Next 5-year plan - Road Improvement Projects for a fog seal improvement Discussion – viewing the handout; Wilson, Washington, 8<sup>th</sup>, gravel pit lane and others in the North end of the County. Listing Upper Rhea Creek, Fuller Cyn, Spruce Ln, Bunker Hill, Meadow Brook and other South county road. Imes asks what else needs to be addressed, City of Ione is looking at getting a sewer/septic system up in the Emert addition and the road up Johnson Grade will be utilized, possible zone change, this is in the preliminary stage. This potentially can change activity on Johnson Grade. Looking at waiting for Upper Rhea Creek paving due to not enough traffic and is a really good gravel road, reasoning just doesn't justify paving. Thompson asked about the Brenner canyon road issues, discussion on what ideas there are. Future discussion, on Laurel Ln, Main, Root lane, meadowbrook, Eastreguard, Paul Smith, Toms Camp, Peters and Olson. Eric mentioned he would like to see Blackhorse paved, and would like to see that on the list. Expectations of roadway is continued discussion and maybe getting the trouble spots of the hills maybe pave slopes and hills. Sweeney asks about Decox Rd.? Imes mentions it was on the list to chip seal but they took it off as it looks to be holding up good.
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- McElligott continues that sloping banks/Bluffs addressing hazardous areas is always a decent fix. Imes discusses Buttermilk Rd. ODOT will be rebuilding a bridge in 2024 and working with Gilliam Co and wanting to have the two Counties work together as they want to close the section, of State Highway 207, down at after the switch backs. A detour is discussed, Imes is looking to fix the grade up out of Lonerock, this road is a narrow road Took a gentleman Kenny Myers familiar with blasting, working along this to make a safe roadway fit for a detour. Explains what he could do to get maybe a detour completed, discussion continued on the best approach. Several Commute in the area so it is a need, so Imes will do some more research. Discussion on Hanna Arbuckle possibly close/gate the area, signage would be an option for some not locking. Work on an area that will need to Start working on Discussion continued.
- Comments or Questions – Liz Peterson asked about the cattle guard that use to be on dry fork Rd. Mrs. Dalzell along with her. A cattle guard that was on dry fork was taken out and cows are still present in the area and wants to know why taken out? Discussion continued and Eric mentions they will make it right and work with the landowner wanting the cattle guard. It was one that had filled in and was in disrepair. There is currently a policy procedure that would be appreciated to complete safety and construction of the cattle guard is priority. Mrs. Seitz starts a discussion on Thompson corrals and why is snow plowing getting done and can money be spent a different way? Eric mentions he would prefer this not being plowed/grader and let things thaw naturally, there are exception to be aware of. Gorman asks about maybe think about the commerce and get rid of the date of April 15<sup>th</sup>, two years ago plowed, Haugen mentions that it causes an issue when melted labor, equipment and material, Lori mentions getting others involved, and working through the issues. Road Safety is a big issue, discussion continued and some resolution will be met.
- Next Meeting November 17, 2022
- Adjourn 3:45 p.m.