

GREEN COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Monday, June 8, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

Green County Highway Department

2813 6th Street, Monroe, WI

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Russ Torkelson at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Russ Torkelson, Mark Gundlach, Kristi Leonard, William Burchard, Kathy Pennington

Others Present: Chris Narveson, Kevin Bernet, Barry Einbeck, Chad Steiner, John Schumacher, Sheriff Cody Kanable

2. Approval of Minutes

- i. Approve the minutes of the April 13, 2026, meeting

Motion by Leonard, seconded by Burchard, to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

3. Audit Bills

Bills were reviewed.

4. Public Comment

No public comment.

5. Reports from Administrative Staff

- i. Kevin Bernet (Shop Foreman): truck purchase update.
- ii. John Schumacher (Highway Superintendent): Provided an update on WIS 59 crack filling, WisDOT budget update, status of WIS 39 and WIS 104 shouldering, inhibitor application on state right-of-ways, culvert schedule updates, and bridge inspection update regarding the CTH EE bridge.
- iii. Chad Steiner (Highway Superintendent): Advised that county paver and dura patching are complete, seal coating is to begin, and paver patching and seal coating will begin for town roads.
- iv. Barry Einbeck (Highway Operation Specialist): Advised hoop dome structure is completed for 50/50 and chip storage, and the parking lot has been paved for employee parking.

6. New Business

- i. Review and possible action on a request received to close a section of CTH C in the Village of Monticello on June 27, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the Monticello Antique Tractor Pull.
Motion by Leonard, seconded by Gundlach, to approve the road closure. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- ii. Review and possible action on a request to close CTH KS between CTH S and Lumber Yard Road from 1:00 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, July 25, 2026, for the Juda Fore Fathers event.
Motion by Burchard, seconded by Gundlach, to approve the road closure. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- iii. Review and possible action on a request to close a section of CTH F from Park Road to WIS 11 in the City of Brodhead on Friday, July 3, 2026, for a fireworks event from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Sheriff Cody Kanable raised concerns regarding campground traffic and the specific timing of the closure. A motion was made by Pennington, seconded by Burchard, to approve the road closure from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., with a soft closure at Park Road and a hard closure at Crazy Horse, and to leave arrangements amendable based on a final agreement between the Sheriff and the Brodhead Police Chief. Motion carried on a voice vote.

- iv. Review and possible action awarding the County Road FF project.
Discussion was held on the bids received; it was noted that McGuire, Inc. provided the lowest bid. Motion by Burchard, seconded by Leonard, to award the project to McGuire, Inc., contingent upon the WisDOT committee's approval of the CEF. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- v. Discussion and possible action on awarding three quad-axle and one tandem-axle truck chassis.
Motion by Leonard, seconded by Pennington, to approve the chassis purchases up to \$750,000.00. Motion carried on a voice vote.
Motion by Leonard, seconded by Pennington, to amend the chassis purchase to \$780,000.00. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- vi. Discussion and possible action on amending the Cheese Country Trail detour route.
Motion by Gundlach, seconded by Burchard, to approve the amended detour on CTH MM (Lafayette/Green County line to Cheese Trail). Motion carried on a voice vote.
- vii. Discussion and possible action on amending the ATV/UTV Ordinance to a lower age limit for using the Cheese Country Trail detour.
Discussion was held on lowering the operator age to 12-15 years for the route detour. Sheriff Cody Kanable shared several safety concerns regarding this change. Motion by Burchard, seconded by Pennington, to approve the age adjustment in full agreement with Sheriff Kanable's recommendations. Motion carried on a voice vote.

7. Highway Commissioner Report: Chris Narveson

1. WCHA Summer Road School

8. Approval of Bills

Motion by Gundlach, seconded by Burchard, to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$391,878.84. Motion carried on a voice vote.

9. Future Agenda Items

- 1. Corporate Counsel to determine if any updates are needed for the County's ATV/UTV Ordinance to reflect the WI DNR ATV/UTV Vehicle Laws.**

2. Next scheduled meeting date: Monday, July 13, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

3. Adjourn

Motion by Leonard, seconded by Pennington, to adjourn. Motion carried on a voice vote.

**Prepared by:
Jami Stewart**

**Kristi Leonard
Committee Secretary**