

May 4, 2012

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

1:30 P.M.

David Earney, acting chairman, called the meeting to order. Members present: David Earney and Gary Ruff. Absent: Jim Wilkie.

Also present: Mayor Bob Scow, Clerk Linda Torgerson and representatives Jeff Brenden-Scott Construction, Fred Brown-Fahrner Asphalt and Paul-Dunn Blacktop.

Agenda Item 1: Street work bids.

The following bids were opened and read allowed by Earney:

**Badland Road**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Sealcoat 1/4" peastone chip</b>	<b>Sealcoat 1/4" washed fractured stone</b>
<b>Scott Construction</b>	<b>\$4,950 single seal \$9,470 double seal</b>	<b>\$5,598.00 single seal \$9,900.00 double seal</b>
<b>Fahrner Asphalt</b>	<b>\$4,589.00</b>	<b>\$4,721.00</b>

**Old STH 35**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Sealcoat 1/4" peastone chip</b>	<b>Sealcoat 1/4" washed fractured stone</b>
<b>Scott Construction</b>	<b>\$8,910.00</b>	<b>\$9,987.00</b>
<b>Fahrner Asphalt</b>	<b>\$9,084.00</b>	<b>\$9,344.00</b>

**Badland Road**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Item 1: Full depth reclaim</b>	<b>Item 2: Fine grade, water, compact</b>	<b>Item 3: Furnish &amp; install hot mix – 4” thickness in one lift</b>	<b>Item 4: Furnish &amp; install hot mix 2.5” thickness in one lift</b>		<b>Total</b>
<b>Dunn Blacktop, Inc. P.O. Box 208 Winona, MN 55987 507/452-4394</b>	<b>\$8,707.95</b>	<b>\$8,700</b>	<b>\$12,002.85</b>	<b>\$88,596.00</b>		<b>*Total to include all projects</b>
<b>Scott Construction</b>	<b>\$5,569.95</b>	<b>\$14,970.00</b>	<b>\$38,440.50</b>	<b>\$81,912.00</b> <b>COLD MIX*</b>		<b>\$140,892.45</b>

**Old STH 35**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Item 1: Full depth reclaim</b>	<b>Item 3: Fine grade, water, compact</b>	<b>Item 3: Furnish &amp; install hot mix – 4” thickness in two lifts</b>
<b>Dunn Blacktop, Inc. P.O. Box 208 Winona, MN 55987 507/452-4394</b>	<b>\$1,864.80</b>	<b>\$2,570.40</b>	<b>\$29,532.00</b>

**Nelson Road**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Item 1: Full depth reclaim</b>	<b>Item 2: Fine grade, water, compact</b>	<b>Item 3: Furnish &amp; install hot mix – 2.5” thickness in one lift</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Dunn Blacktop, Inc. P.O. Box 208 Winona, MN 55987 507/452-4394</b>		<b>\$382.50</b>	<b>\$2,805.54</b>	<b>*Combined bid of all Hot mix projects:  \$155,162.04</b>

\*It was noted that Scott Construction did not list lengths and widths in their bids; however, the road was marked by the City.

\*It was further noted that Scott Construction bid granite chip instead of peastone chip.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Earney to refer the results of the road work bids to the Common Council for action on May 7, 2012. All members voting yes.

Mayor Scow inquired the length of time that the bids were guaranteed. 30 days was responded.

Agenda Item 2: Resolution-Old STH 35 and Dairyland Power.

The following resolution was presented to the committee:

**Resolution 12-02**

**Whereas**, the City of Alma proposes to pass a resolution to discontinue Old State Highway 35 from the northerly entrance (not including the area of Old STH 35 needed to access the overflow parking lot lying north of the northerly entrance) and continuing southerly to it’s termini at the intersection of STH 35; and

**Whereas**, Dairyland Power Cooperative is the only benefactors from the use of Old STH 35 and the only adjoining property owners, and;

**Whereas**, representatives from Dairyland Power have been contacted and have reported to the City of Alma that they would be interested in obtaining ownership of Old STH 35, as described above, with the stipulation that no costs for discontinuing or vacating Old STH 35 are incurred by them, and

**Whereas**, such discontinuance or vacation of Old STH 35 will result in decreased highway costs in the future for the City of Alma and it’s residents;

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved**, that the governing body of the City of Alma, Buffalo County, Wisconsin, hereby assumes all costs incurred in the discontinuance and/or vacation of Old STH 35 as described and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Dairyland Power.

Dated: May 7, 2012

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert M. Scow, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Linda M. Torgerson, City Clerk

Mayor Scow informed the committee that he had spoken with Dairyland Power regarding Old STH 35 and the possibility of them taking ownership of the road through discontinuance or vacating of the road except the described northerly portion to access the overflow parking lot.

Dairyland Power informed Mayor Scow that they would be willing to begin the process if the City of Alma would assume the legal and other costs incurred in the discontinuance or vacating of Old STH 35.

Earney stated that it is apparent that Dairyland Power will consider this option if the City assumes the financial end of the process. Scow stated that was correct.

Motion by Earney seconded by Ruff to recommend approval of Resolution 12-02 to the Council for action on Monday, May 7, 2012. All members voting yes.

Ruff informed the committee that Jeff Reglin informed him that the Town of Nelson is planning on doing their portion of Badland Road in 2013 and wondered why the City of Alma would want to do road repair on Badland Road this year and then next year the road would suffer damage because of the Town of Nelson doing their work on the road.

Ruff suggested postponing Badland Road until 2013 and doing Nelson Road, the bridge deck on Shawnee Drive and the Museum driveway this year.

Discussion was held. The storm from May 2<sup>nd</sup> caused damage to Shawnee Drive road and is in need of extensive repair, Mayor Scow commented.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Earney in light of the new information received, the following road projects are recommended to the Council: Nelson Road, Shawnee Drive bridge deck and road repair, Badland road prep (ditching and culverts) and the Museum driveway. All members voting yes.

Mayor Scow stated that he will inform the Council of the meeting with Dairyland Power prior to going into committee reports or other agenda items.

Motion by Earney seconded by Ruff to adjourn. All members voting yes.