

MINUTES OF HULL TASK FORCE ON  
TRUCK REPLACEMENT MEETING  
TUESDAY JULY 2, 2019

01) Call to order by Chairperson John Holdridge at 9:00 a.m. at the Hull Municipal Building, 4550 Wojcik Memorial Dr., Stevens Point, WI 54482.

Present: Chair Holdridge, Supervisors David Pederson, Dave Wilz and John Koshnick.

Others present: Clerk Janet Wolle, Treasurer Jim Kruziki, Road Foreman Pete Kaminski and Road Crew member Bill Omernik.

02) Discussion/possible action regarding replacement of 2002 Sterling dump truck/plow

Condition of '02 Sterling dump truck as presented by Bill Omernik:

- Uses ½ gallon of antifreeze about every ten (10) hours of heavy use
- Needs complete brake jog
  - o Shoes, drums, S-cams, slack adjusters & possibly chambers
- Transmission valve body housing stripped out, unable to change filters
- Need new wing tower cylinder
- Rear box frame rotted
- Front of box rotted
- Complete wing mount frame fatigued and sprung
- Headlight wiring harness corroded and patched, very dim lights
- Engine sputters and dies after sitting, possibly injectors/injector pump
- Heater ducting and door motors shot, can't direct air flow
- Dash held together with duct tape, metal banding and wire ties
- Driver's seat wore out and bent
- Need six new rims
- Various fender and cab brackets and mounts rotten
- Hydraulic tank rotting and starting to seep
- Fuel tank getting very rusty again
- Sterling is becoming obsolete, parts becoming unavailable
- Used V-box getting pretty rough
- Bad wheel hops at highway speed. It has been in multiple times. No one knows why, possible driveline problem
- Rear pinion on front drive bad/leaking
- Will need four (4) drive tires before next winter

Truck has 171,055 miles on it.

Pete Kaminski: Portage County is on a 14-17 year truck rotation as per Nathan Check, Highway Commissioner. Stevens Point rotates every 14 years. Condition of trucks looked at.

Supervisor Koshnick, worked at Portage County Highway Department many years ago maintaining trucks – Have seen what trucks go through.

Supervisor Wilz – there is a used V-box on the truck, why is the one on the Sterling getting rough?

Omernik – the V-boxes on the other trucks are all stainless. The one on the Sterling was modified with steel.

Board – what trucks are available?

Pete/Bill – International, Western Star, Freightliner, Peter Built, Sterling, Kenworth and Mack truck that has small windshield.

Omernik – feel visibility is best in Freightliner.

Board – what truck do you prefer?

Omernik – either Freightliner or Western Star. I prefer the Freightliner.

Trucks would be serviced in Marshfield or Wausau.

Board – if truck is ordered now would we have it in time for snowplowing?

Omernik – no. Probably would be here in January 2020.

Kaminski – price for trucks not including box and plow specifications:

Western Star - \$126,412

Freightliner - \$113,400

Total cost for a new tandem dump truck - \$225,000

Treasurer Kruziki – there are designated reserve funds that could be used or getting a bank loan.

Holdridge – there is \$258,000 in general reserve as per the quarterly report of 3/31/2019. Hull has over a million dollars in designated reserves and other funds.

Kruziki – that is correct.

Kaminski – just received a trade-in amount from Freightliner in the amount of \$19,000.

Omernik – if needed we could rent a truck from a dealer who usually has one on the lot which they are looking to sell.

Holdridge – need to go through Janet for the bid process.

Clerk Wolle – it is not necessary to place a truck out for bids.

Holdridge – would we look at only one truck then?

Kaminski – no look at Freightliner and Western Star.

Wolle – ask for quotes.

Kaminski – would like to add chains on to new truck at cost of \$2,984.00.

Omernik – the chains drop down per wheel as needed.

Holdridge – put together specifications for the July 8 board meeting.

Kaminski – would like to add chains to my 2007 Sterling. When plowing in the river bottom will back down a road especially Walkush Road. The cost would be \$3,075.

Holdridge – what about chains for the other trucks? Do you have funds in your 2019 budget for chains?

Kaminski – my truck needs chains due to the dangerous areas plowed. The 2019 budget is quickly getting used.

Motion Supervisor Koshnick, **bring specifications to the July 8 board meeting.**  
Second by Supervisor Pederson.

Wilz – include in motion a back-up plan if necessary.

Motion carried by voice vote.

03) Adjournment: Motion Supervisor Wilz, **adjourn the meeting.** Second by Supervisor Koshnick. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:27 a.m.

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Janet Wolle, Clerk

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*Memorandum from Pete Kaminski*

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TO: John Holdridge  
DATE: June 25, 2019  
RE: Information on Plow Trucks

2015 Western Star	19,515 miles	Driven by Nick
2007 Sterling-Tandem	94,190 miles	Driven by Pete
2002 Sterling-Tandem	171,055 miles	Driven by Bill
1997 Ford Plow Truck	113,775 miles	Driven by Joe

1997 Ford Plow Truck: Was told by V&H trucks they are having a hard time finding parts for this truck because of its age.

2007 F150 Pickup: 135,000 miles  
Currently getting transmission work done.

2008 F250 Pickup: 91,800 miles  
Needs drag link, tie rod ends, O2 sensors with Y pipe

PK/bjb  
Cc: Hull Board of Supervisors  
Janet Wolle, Clerk  
Jim Kruziki, Treasurer