

**Chippewa County
Highway Committee
Regular Meeting
January 28, 2026
Chippewa County Courthouse, Room 302
10:00 AM**

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM

2. Roll Call

Members Present:
James Flater, Joseph Roshell, George Rohmeyer, Jr.
Members Absent:
Peter Gehring, Matthew Peterson
Others Present:
Chris Elstran, Shane Birtzer, Joe Gutowski, Fred Anderson, Andy Albarado, Paul Krumenauer, Marla Prissel, Leah Simington

3. Members of the Public Wishing to Be Heard

(Comments will be limited to 5 minutes per speaker.)

Paul Krumenauer – Spoke about complaints he hears from the public and expressed a desire for more public education on highway maintenance.

4. Consent Agenda

(Unless separation of an item is requested, all items will be adopted under one motion.)

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (3 - 0)
Mover:	Joseph Roshell
Seconder:	George Rohmeyer, Jr.
Ayes:	James Flater, Joseph Roshell, George Rohmeyer, Jr.
Nayes:	None
Absent:	Peter Gehring, Matthew Peterson

1. Approve the Agenda
2. Approve the Minutes - December 17, 2025
3. Schedule Next Meeting Date - February 25, 2026 10:00 AM

5. Reports

1. Highway Commissioner Report — Chris Elstran

A. Dashboard Review

Highway Commissioner Elstran reviewed the Highway Department dashboard. This month's update includes the department budget overview, along with winter county and state spending and the number of storm events.

B. Financial Reports

Elstran gave reports on highway funds, county aid bridges, highway construction, and bridge construction.

2. Projects East of STH 27 — Chris Elstran

A. Current PASER Rating Map

In response to a question from the previous meeting regarding the lack of pavement improvements on roads east of STH 29 within the county, Elstran presented a county map with color-coded county roads corresponding to PASER ratings.

3. Winter Maintenance Levels of Service Overview — Chris Elstran

Elstran reviewed a presentation regarding winter levels of service, which is provided annually to Highway Department employees.

4. Spring Weight Limits Overview — Chris Elstran

Elstran summarized spring weight limit requirements for county roads.

5. CTH T - Funding Update — Fred Anderson

Project Manager Anderson updated the committee on progress made in securing funding for the CTH T Corridor project.

6. Business Items

1. Resolution to Support Sustainable Transportation Funding — Chris Elstran

Elstran outlined the Resolution to Support Sustainable Transportation Funding. The resolution will advance to the February 10, 2026 County Board meeting.

Motion:	Approved
Result:	Passed (3 - 0)
Mover:	James Flater
Second:	Joseph Roshell
Ayes:	James Flater, Joseph Roshell, George Rohmeyer, Jr.
Nays:	None
Absent:	Peter Gehring, Matthew Peterson

7. Agenda Items for Future Consideration

8. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at: 11:09 AM

Result:	Passed (3 - 0)
Mover:	George Rohmeyer, Jr.
Second:	Joseph Roshell
Ayes:	James Flater, Joseph Roshell, George Rohmeyer, Jr.
Absent:	Peter Gehring, Matthew Peterson