

**Summary**  
**Special Meeting with Washington County Public Works**  
**and Aggregate Industries**  
**County Road 75 (CR-75) Realignment Discussion**  
**June 27, 2018, 4:00 p.m.**

**Attendees:**

**Washington County**

Ann Terwedo, Senior Planner, Washington County Public Works  
Nathan Arnold, Engineer II, Washington County Public Works  
County Commissioner Jack LaVold

**Aggregate Industries**

Bob Bieraugel, Manager, Area Land & Environment  
Patty Bestler, Area Land & Environment

**Grey Cloud Island Township Board of Supervisors**

Richard Adams, Chair, Board of Supervisors  
Ray Kaiser, Supervisor  
Paul Schoenecker, Supervisor  
Scott Leick, Treasurer  
Elizabeth Bell, Clerk  
Clif Rodahl, Chair, Planning Commission

**Grey Cloud Island Township**

Dick Polta, Resident

Chair Richard Adams called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**Introductory Statements**

**Grey Cloud Island Township:** Chair Richard Adams stated that before talking about the realignment of CR-75 he wanted to state that St. Paul Park has not been involved in any discussion with the county on the turnback of CR-75. Jeff Dionisopoulos, Supervisor of the St. Paul Park Public Works Department has indicated that the city wants nothing to do with the turnback of CR-75. Chair Adams stated that neither does Grey Cloud Island Township.

**Washington County Public Works Department:** Ann Terwedo stated that this meeting is meant as a follow-up to the meeting held previously in May. Aggregate Industries has been working on its Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) for mining the property it owns on the east side of CR-75. The draft of the EAW is almost complete and the county expects to process that in the next month or so.

Part of the EAW is meant to determine how CR-75 will work with future mining. If, in the future, a loop road is put in, the design of the road will no longer conform to the county road standard and will have to become a local road.

**Aggregate Industries:** Bob Bieraugel stated the company is including the wider loop road design in its EAW as it illustrates the worst possible mining case and environmental impact Aggregate could present to the township for the mining rezoning/overlay application. The preference for the company is to finish the permitting process and amend the mining zoning/overlay district.

Aggregate also intends to ask the township to reduce the mining setback behind the town hall from 200' to 100' and intends to offer to buy the town hall property. If this is possible, it would give Aggregate mining operations another five to eight years of mining before it needs mining access to the property east of CR-75.

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### **EAW Process**

The EAW outlines the environmental effects based on future mining. The EAW final draft should be complete in a week or two. It will then be submitted to the County for review and approval. The County will process it according to environmental rules of the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB). The County will publish it in the *EQB Monitor* and send it out to the appropriate agencies, including the township, for review and comments. It is also distributed to public libraries and published on the County website. The comment period is 30 days. The County will then respond to comments. If there are no substantial environmental concerns or issues it will go to the County Board with a request for a negative declaration on the need for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

### **Road Repair**

CR-75 needs repair. It has been previously stated that the current life of CR-75 is about two more years. Based on the timeline for necessary road repair and Aggregate's setback/land purchase offer necessitating no immediate need for realignment, repair of CR-75 will need to occur in 2019-2020. The road will be reclaimed. It will be ground out 8–12" and leveled. Asphalt will be composed of the ground out materials and new mix. It will have a probable 20-year life. Nate Arnold will confirm if the County is agreeable to delay the turnback of CR-75.

Chair Richard Adams adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Bell, Clerk