

June 23, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Ogemaw County was called to order by Chairman Dan Winter 9:00 a.m. at 1250 S M-33 West Branch, Michigan.

Members present: Chairman Dan Winter, Commissioner Van Sheltroun, Commissioner Klint Marshall, Managing Director Pat Reinke, Board Clerk Brandy Curtis

No additions to the agenda.

Past minutes of June 9, 2021, were reviewed. Correction to the minutes was offered as Sensabaugh was spelled incorrectly in the contract approval section as “Sansabaugh”. Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to approve minutes with correction. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Sheltroun, Marshall, Winter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to approve and pay payroll voucher #2136 and payable voucher #2137 in the total amount of \$826,735.10. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Sheltroun, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Reinke informed the Board of a permit request for paving variance on Peach Lake Road between Cabin Lake Road and Dog Sled Trail. Brian Murchie had requested a variance of 65’, typical is 24’. Consensus of the Board was to request Manager to contact Mr. Murchie and inform Mr. Murchie the Board is willing to accept a variance of 50’. If Mr. Murchie will not accept the 50’ variance, Board requests Manager to follow up and report back to the Board for further review.

Reinke reviewed “Permit Holder Insurance Reference-by Permit Type” provided by MCRC SIP. A discussion was held on increasing contractor permit holder’s coverage limit. Current coverage limit is one million, Board could increase coverage limit to two million, three million or remain at one million. Consensus of the Board was to request Manager to submit questionnaire to surrounding road commissions pertaining to coverage limits and report back to the Board. Reinke will follow up.

The following agreement with Mills Township was presented to the Board: Approximately 4” of 23A road gravel (loose measure) with brine on Lucinda Road from Mills Road to Henderson Lake Road for approximately 2.06 miles, not to include seasonal portion. At an estimated cost of \$38,283.06 to be paid for as the following: Township \$19,141.53, Road Commission \$19,141.53. Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to approve the Lucinda Road project with Mills Township as presented. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Marshall, Winter, Sheltroun. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The following agreement with Mills Township was presented to the Board: Approximately 4” of 23A road gravel placed in center with brine on Morrison Road north of Greenwood Road for 3 miles. At an estimated cost of \$95,467.46 to be paid for as the following: Township \$47,733.73, Road Commission \$47,733.73. Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to approve the Morrison Road project with Mills Township as presented. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Sheltroun, Winter, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The following agreement with West Branch Township was presented to the Board: Placement of approximately 666 yards of 23A road gravel and 600 gallons of brine on Highland Trail and Meadow Court for 0.31 miles. At an estimated cost of \$11,755.60 to be paid for as the following: Township \$5,877.80, Road Commission \$5,877.80. Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to approve the Highland Trail and Meadow Court project with West Branch Township as presented. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Sheltroun, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Reinke informed the Board he did reach out to Ogemaw County Administrator, Tim Dolehanty, regarding revenue loss eligibility for ARPA Funds. According to Mr. Dolehanty, at this time Ogemaw County is not prepared to consider projects and are sensitive to the specific conditions pertaining to current funding eligibility rules.

Proposed budget adjustments for 3rd quarter 2021 were reviewed to include capital outlay schedule and construction schedule. Motion by Sheltroun, supported by Marshall, to approve changes as presented. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Sheltroun, Winter, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A discussion is held on MIOSHA COVID-19 Emergency Rules and announcement by Governor Whitmer on June 17, 2021, the State will open to full capacity on June 22, 2021. Reinke informed the Board, effective July 1, 2021, Sick Leave will follow current union contract and employees will be allowed only three (3) occurrences of sick leave without necessity of presenting a signed doctor's slip from July 1, 2021, to December 31, 2021.

Reinke reported construction to date and reviewed 12.75 miles of crack seal and 19.50 miles chip and fog seal scheduled in 2021.

Matt Taylor with MERS is scheduled to review 2020 MERS Actuarial with Board on July 21, 2021.

Reinke reviewed correspondence received from John Wiegerink, Logan Township Trustee. According to Mr. Wiegerink, Logan Township Board has proposed road improvement projects they would like the Road Commission to review. Mr. Wiegerink also expressed in his letter that Logan Township was advised by their attorney that it would be illegal if they allocated money to Stahlbush Road project. Reinke reread prior email correspondence that was received October 7, 2020, from Logan Township's attorney stating "Townships are statutorily not allowed to spend public monies on public roads". Reinke recommended until Stahlbush Road culvert is settled, Logan Township may hire contractors for road work and contractors must apply for proper permits prior to the start of work. Reinke will contact Logan Township Supervisor to discuss Stahlbush Road culvert and proposed road projects. Reinke will follow up with the Board.

Reinke updated the Board on Fourth Street road right of way in Mills Township off Skunk Hollow. The fence in question is located on property line when reviewing survey and position of survey stakes. Reinke will inform Mills Township Supervisor the fence location is not a Road Commission matter.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 10:20 am.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dan Winter, Chairman

Countersigned: \_\_\_\_\_  
Brandy Curtis, Board Clerk