

**OGEMAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**

**MEETING MINUTES OF**

**Wednesday, July 7, 2022**

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

Members Present: Chairman Dan Winter, Commissioner Van Sheltroun, Commissioner Klint Marshall

Staff Present: Managing Director Pat Reinke, Board Clerk Brandy Curtis

In Attendance: Mills Township Resident Jim Allen

Additions to the Agenda: Ogemaw Township Various Overlays Contract

Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to approve additions to the agenda. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Past minutes on June 22, 2022, were reviewed. There being no additions or corrections, the minutes stand as submitted.

**Approval of Payroll and Payable Accounts:**

Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to approve and pay payroll voucher #2238 and payable voucher #2239 in the total amount of \$177,415.86. Roll call vote: Ayes: Marshall, Winter, Sheltroun. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

None

**Unfinished Business:**

None

**New Business:**

A discussion was held on parcel 014-005-006-00 in West Branch Township in which the Ogemaw County Road Commission owns the surface rights to the land and the State of Michigan owns the minerals rights. Reinke informed the Board the Michigan Department of Natural Resources requires a lease agreement in order to mine the land and timber on the land would need to be cut down and mulched. The consensus of the Board was to contact a local surveyor regarding the boundaries of the parcel and Todd Johnson, forester for Ogemaw County, regarding the removal of timber from the parcel of land. Reinke will follow up.

**RESOLUTION 2022-06**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH  
THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

Commissioner Sheltroun offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption, supported by Commissioner Marshall.

**WHEREAS**, the Ogemaw County Road Commission mines sand and gravel to be used for maintenance, repair, and reconstruction of roads within Ogemaw County; and

**WHEREAS**, the costs associated with the mining of this material are considerably less than the going rate to purchase this material commercially; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ogemaw County Road Commission owns surface rights located on State ID number 113851 and the State of Michigan owns mineral rights; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the changes in rules and procedures approved by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources with respect to sand and gravel mining, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources requires a nonmetallic minerals lease agreement with the State of Michigan to allow mining-related operations to take place;

**WHEREAS**, a nonrefundable lease application fee of \$300.00 is required when submitting the lease agreement application;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners for Ogemaw County Road Commission agree to enter into a lease agreement with the State of Michigan in order to pursue future mineral mining-related operations and authorize the Manager to submit a check to the State of Michigan in the amount of \$300.00 with the lease agreement application.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Marshall, Sheltroun. Nays: None

The following township agreement was reviewed:

Ogemaw Township: Apply 165# per sq yd HMA overlay to include shoulder gravel on the following local roads listed below. The estimated cost of \$543,258.64 to be paid as followed: Township \$271,629.32, Road Commission \$271,629.32

Primary/ Local	Road Name	Length Mil	Estimated Total	Ogemaw Township Share	Road Commission Share
Local	Boutell Ranch Road	1.560	\$ 148,629.16	\$ 74,314.58	\$ 74,314.58
Local	Green Road North of I-75 BL	0.900	\$ 85,747.59	\$ 42,873.80	\$ 42,873.80
Local	Green Road South of I-75 BL	2.000	\$ 190,550.21	\$ 95,275.11	\$ 95,275.11
Local	Hillcrest Drive	0.462	\$ 44,017.10	\$ 22,008.55	\$ 22,008.55
Local	Gray Road South of M-55	0.780	\$ 74,314.58	\$ 37,157.29	\$ 37,157.29
			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 271,629.32</b>	<b>\$ 271,629.32</b>

Motion by Sheltroun, supported by Marshall, to approve the agreement with Ogemaw Township. Roll call vote: Ayes: Sheltroun, Winter, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried

Reinke and Curtis reported on the MERS Actuarial for 2021. The Road Commission is currently funded at 69%, the highest percentage in the last 15 years. A discussion was held on employer contributions. The consensus of the Board was to remain with the current employer contribution flat rate for the Union, NonUnion, and Hybrid divisions versus MERS recommended Phase-In amount.

Reinke informed the Board the current union contract is set to expire on December 31, 2022. The consensus of the Board was to request Manager to contact Mike Kluck with Loomis, Ewert, Parsley, Davis & Gotting Law Firm for guidance and report back to the Board. Reinke will follow up.

Reinke contacted Midland County seeking input on MIOSHA consultations. Board was in consensus on scheduling a one-on-one consultation with MIOSHA. Reinke will follow up.

Information:

Sheriff Gilbert contacted Reinke regarding weighmaster assistance. Sheriff Gilbert informed Reinke the Ogemaw County Sheriff's office would be interested in assisting with the weighmaster duties when their department reaches full staff. Gilbert will follow up with Reinke at a later date.

Reinke reported construction and equipment to date.

Edwards Township meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM.

Mills Township meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>.

Public Comment:

None

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board of Road Commissioners, Ogemaw County, Chairman Winter adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

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

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