

OGEMAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES OF

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

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 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, County Foreman Kurt Trout

In Attendance: Ogemaw County Commissioners Craig Scott, Ogemaw County Commissioner Charlie Wiltse, West Branch Township Resident Bruce Voss, Brandon's Custom Farming
Brandon Deal, Churchill Township Resident Calvin Marshall

Additions to the Agenda:

Brine Tank Repairs

CDL Training

County Wide Mowing

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

Approval of Minutes:

Past minutes on June 7, 2023, 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 #2336 and payable voucher #2337 for \$705,564.10. Roll call vote: Ayes: Marshall, Winter, Sheltroun. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

None

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Bruce Voss, West Branch Township Resident, approached the Board requesting the installation of a sign on Fox Run to inform drivers of the I-75 Business Loop. A discussion was held on various options that could be installed to inform the motoring public of the I-75 Business Loop. Reinke will provide the Board with a Traffic Control Order to require traffic on Fox Run to stop prior to entering Hodges Drive.

The following Richland Township agreements were received:

Place and shape roughly 6" of 22A gravel to include 4,000 gallons of brine on Black Road from Sheffer Road to Craun Road for approximately 2 miles. The estimated cost of \$81,150.00 is to be paid as followed: Township \$40,575.00, Road Commission \$40,575.00.

Place and shape roughly 6" of 22A gravel to include 880 gallons of brine on Cranberry Lake Road from Greenwood Road north for approximately 0.44 miles. The estimated cost of \$17,853.00 is to be paid as followed: Township \$8,926.50, Road Commission \$8,926.50.

Place and shape roughly 6" of 22A gravel to include 800 gallons of brine on Cranberry Lake Road from

Hewey Lake Road east for approximately 0.40 miles. The estimated cost of \$16,2330 is to be paid as followed: Township \$40,575.00, Road Commission \$40,575.00.

Place and shape roughly 6" of 22A gravel to include 800 gallons of brine on Elder Road from Mills Road to a dead end for approximately 0.40 miles. The estimated cost of \$19,240.00 is to be paid as followed: Township \$9,620.00, Road Commission \$9,620.00.

Place and shape roughly 6" of 22A gravel to include 1,300 gallons of brine on Johnson Lake Road from Clark Road to the boat launch for approximately 0.65 miles. The estimated cost of \$31,265.00 is to be paid as followed: Township \$15,632.50, Road Commission \$15,632.50.

Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to approve the agreements with Richland Township as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Sheltroun, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to approve and authorize the Chairman and Manager to sign the Road Project Agreement between the Ogemaw County Road Commission and USDA, Forest Service, Huron-Manistee National Forest for in the amount of \$39,619 for additional road projects. Roll call vote: Ayes: Sheltroun, Marshall, Winter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The 2023 MCRCSIP Board of Directors ballots were reviewed for At-Large and Northern candidacies. Motion by Sheltroun, supported by Marshall, to select At-Large candidate Brett Laughlin, and Northern Candidates Tony Casali and Michael Atton and authorize the Manager to complete MCRCSIP ballots. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Marshall, Winter, Sheltroun. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Certified mail was received from the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources informing the Road Commission that the pending Direct Nonmetallic Minerals Lease Application may be terminated within two weeks upon receipt of the letter. A discussion was held on the House Bill that was introduced to prohibit the Department of Natural Resources from charging another state department or local government fees or royalties for gravel extraction. Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to terminate the pending Direct Nonmetallic Minerals Lease Application with the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Roll call vote: Ayes: Sheltroun, Marshall, Winter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on the Road Commission's gravel pit. Reinke informed the Board that the Road Commission could extend the life of the gravel pit if gravel was purchased for projects versus taken from the pit, gravel from the pit would be used for general maintenance. The consensus of the Board was to use the gravel from the gravel pit for general maintenance and purchase gravel for projects until the next gravel crushing at the pit is complete.

Trout reviewed a materials list and labor estimate for repairs to the brine tanks. Motion by Sheltroun, supported by Marshall, to authorize the purchase of material for the upgrades to the brine tanks. Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Marshall, Sheltroun. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Reinke informed the Board of information he had received at the recent SAM's meeting pertaining to Road Commission's enrolling non-CDL employees in truck driving schools, the cost to attend, and the locations. The Board requested the Manager to reach out to the local agencies inquiring if truck driving school is offered and the cost.

Brandon Deal with Brandon's Custom Farming approached the Board inquiring about contracting for roadside mowing. Mr. Deal was provided with the 2023 Local Roadside Mowing bid packet that includes plans, specifications, and locations.

A discussion was held on the condition of State Road and upcoming crack seal projects.

Information:

Reinke reported on road and equipment updates.

The next MTA meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 27th, at 6:30 PM at Edwards Township Hall. Winter will attend.

The next Ogemaw County Road Commission's regularly scheduled board meeting is Thursday, July 6th, at 9:00 AM.

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

Attest: _____
Brandy Curtis, Board Clerk