

OGEMAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES OF
Wednesday, August 16, 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 and Charlie Wiltse, Lapham and Associates
Tim Lapham

Additions to the Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Past minutes on August 2, 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 Winter, to approve and pay payroll voucher #2344 and payable voucher #2345 for \$261,696.93. Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Sheltroun, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

None

Unfinished Business:

The Board reviewed Robert Baker Jr's road right-of-way abandonment request for the original platted right-of-way in Turner's Idlewild Subdivision that was abandoned as roadway when Rifle River Trail, in Mills Township, was relocated. Reinke answered questions from the Board. A public hearing will be held on September 27th for the abandonment of road right-of-way located in Turner's Idlewild Subdivision in Mills Township.

New Business:

Motion by Sheltroun, supported by Marshall, to authorize the Chairman and Manager to sign MDOT form 2067, Section 18j, Annual Certification of Employee-Related Conditions, affirming the Road Commission has abided by the requirements contained in PA 506. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Marshall, Sheltroun, Winter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Reinke reviewed the 2024 construction schedule draft with the Board. Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to approve the 2024 construction draft as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Sheltroun, Winter, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Chairman Winter informed the Board of a request to reduce the speed from 55 mph to 45 mph on Cook Road in front of Buntings Sand and Gravel. Reinke explained the procedures to reduce the speed limit and the use of the 85 percentile to determine the speed. Reinke suggested a 45 mph advisory speed sign placed under the current truck crossing sign located on Cook Road near Bunting Sand and Gravel. The consensus of the Board was to install the 45 mph advisory speed sign under the current truck crossing sign on Cook Road near Bunting Sand and Gravel.

The Board reviewed a request from MCRCSIP seeking candidates for the MCRSIP Board of Directors. There are currently no volunteers.

Information:

Reinke and Curtis provided a security upgrade update.

Reinke reported an open labor position. An advertisement for a full-time laborer position will be posted in the local paper and online.

Reinke informed Board of the MCRCSIP refund received.

The next East Central Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 17th, at Buck's Country Cookin' in West Branch.

The next MTA Chapter meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 22nd, at 6:30 pm at the Horton Township hall.

The annual CRA Northern Michigan Association of Road Commissions Annual Conference is scheduled for September 13-15th in Manistee.

The annual SAM Superintendents Seminar is scheduled for October 4th-6th in Frankenmuth.

A discussion was held on employment practices and procedures in regard to authorized break times, after-hours service requests, and local fairground's brine application requests.

A discussion was held on the gravel portion of Quigley Road in Churchill Township. Reinke informed the Board that this section of road will be paved this fall and once complete, Quigley Road will be brought up to an all-season route and included as Class A on the Ogemaw County road listing.

Public Comment:

County Commissioner Scott updated the Board on the County's current meeting schedule for August.

Adjournment:

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

Signed: _____
Dan Winter, Chairman

Attest: _____
Brandy Curtis, Board Clerk