

**OGEMAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**

**MEETING MINUTES OF**

**Wednesday, September 27, 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: Commissioner Van Sheltroun, Commissioner Klint Marshall

Staff Present: Managing Director Pat Reinke, Board Clerk Brandy Curtis, County Foreman Kurt Trout

In Attendance: Ogemaw County Commissioner Craig Scott, Mills Township Residents Jim Allen and Cynthia Baker, Rose Township Residents Eric Zimostrad, Gary Lyp, Walter Artnz, and Bob Wolak, Various Rose Township Residents

Arrived Late: Chairman Dan Winter

Additions to the Agenda:  
Positive Pay Software

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

Approval of Minutes:

Past minutes on September 13, 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 #2350 and payable voucher #2351 for \$353,133.46. Roll call vote: Ayes: Marshall, Sheltroun. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

None

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

At 9:10 am. Commissioner Sheltroun moved to open the public hearing for the abandonment of road right of way in Turners Idlewild Subdivision as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats on Page 45, Ogemaw County, Michigan Public Records. Mr. Robert Baker Jr, who owns the adjacent property requested the abandonment, seconded by Marshall. Roll call vote: Ayes: Sheltroun, Winter, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The meeting was open to public comment. No public comment was received.

Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun, to close the public hearing 9:12 a.m. and the board returned to their regular meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Sheltroun, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**ABANDONMENT OF RIGHT OF WAY IN TURNER IDLEWILD SUBDIVISION, MILLS**  
**TOWNSHIP**  
**BOARD RESOLUTION**  
**2023-08**

Commissioner Winter moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a petition pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Section 18, Chapter IV, Act No. 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, was submitted to this Board praying the abandonment of a road right of way described as:

Part of North Road and County Rifle River Road as platted in Turners Idlewild Subdivision as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats on Page 45, Ogemaw County, Michigan Public Records, described as: Beginning at the Northeast corner of Lot 148 of said Subdivision: thence N87°55'41"E, along the North line of said Subdivision, 55.87 feet to the West right-of-way line of relocated Rifle River Trail, a 66.00 feet wide public road, per plans on file with the Ogemaw County Road Commission; thence S12°28'24"E along said West right-of-way line, 63.84 feet to the South line of platted North Road and the North line of Lot 98 of said Subdivision; thence S85°54'36"W, along said North line, 20.78 feet to the Northwest corner of said Lot 98; thence S24°13'54"E, along the West line of said Lot 98 and the East line of platted County Rifle River Road, 57.61 feet to the intersection of the South line of Lot 147 extended Easterly to said West line of Lot 98; thence S81°25'03"W along the South line of said Lot 147 extended, 62.39 feet to the Southeast corner of said Lot 147 and the West line of said platted County Rifle River Road; thence N23°00'53"W, along the East line of said Lot 147, 47.01 feet; thence N05°21'07"E, along the East line of said Lot 147, 80.73 feet back to the Point of Beginning. Containing 0.18 acres, more or less, and being subject to restrictions, reservations, easements, rights-of-way, zoning, governmental regulations, and matters visible, if any, upon or affecting said lands.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Ogemaw have viewed the premises in accordance with said statute.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that it is in the best interest of the public that the above described County Road or portion thereof be absolutely abandoned and discontinued and that said road or portion thereof is hereby absolutely abandoned and discontinued reserving therein easements for public utilities and sewer purposes when required.

The motion was supported by Commissioner Marshall and carried by the following vote: Ayes: Winter, Sheltroun, Marshall Sheltroun. Nays: None.  
Resolution is declared adopted.

Eric Zimostrand approached the Board informing he had received correspondence from Rose Township stating the Road Commission will not be renewing the private road agreement with Rose Township for Ogemaw Road effective January 1, 2024 and requested the Board to reconsider. A lengthy discussion was held on the plat of Island Lake Resort in Rose Township, various obstacles encountered when providing maintenance to the road and the history of Ogemaw Road. The Board received comments from Gary Lyp, Rose Township resident.

Dale Roberts, Mills Township resident, approached the Board regarding the maintenance conducted on East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in Mills Township. The Board suggested Mr. Roberts approach his township board to request an upgrade to East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Trout will review the location.

Walter Arntz, Rose Township resident, approached the Board requesting the Beachwood road sign in Rose Township updated with a new sign with the correct spelling of Beechwood. Reinke will follow up.

At 10:30 a.m. Commissioner Marshall moved to open the public hearing for the 2024 Proposed Budget and Construction Schedule, seconded by Sheltroun. Roll call vote: Ayes: Marshall, Sheltroun, Winter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Curtis reviewed the 2024 capital outlay schedule, 2024 construction schedule, and 2024 proposed budget. The meeting was open to public comment. No public comment was received.

Motion by Sheltroun, supported by Marshall, to close the public hearing 10:47 a.m. and the board returned to their regular meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Sheltroun, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**General Appropriations Act  
Resolution for Approval and Adoption of the 2024 Budget  
by the Board of Ogemaw County Road Commission  
Board Resolution 2023-09**

Motion by Marshall, supported by Sheltroun to adopt the following Resolution Number 2023-09 which reads as follows:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that a public hearing was held on September 27, 2023, with no oral or written inquiries received regarding the proposed budget, and

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this resolution shall be both the general appropriation resolution and the budget adoption resolution of the Ogemaw County Road Commission for the year ending September 30, 2024. This resolution adopts proposed revenues and expenditures as presented in the accompanying budget document. Total revenues are adopted as \$9,104,516 and total expenditures as \$9,859,968, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that no Ogemaw County Road Commission member or employee of the Commission shall expend any funds or obligate any expenditure except pursuant to appropriations authorized by the budget document. Changes in amounts appropriated by the Commission shall require approval of the Commission, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance and Human Resource Administrator/Board Clerk, Brandy Curtis, is hereby charged with general supervision of the execution of the budget adopted by the Commission, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution is to take effect October 1, 2023.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Sheltroun, Marshall. Nays: None  
Resolution is declared adopted.

Reinke reviews 2024 equipment purchases included in the approved 2024 capital outlay schedule with the Board. Reinke and Trout answer questions of the Board.

Curtis requested approval from the Board to purchase positive pay software offered through Precision for the accounts payable and payroll accounts. The purchase of the software, installation, and training is estimated between \$700-\$1,200. Motion by Sheltroun, supported by Marshall, to approve the purchase of the positive pay software through Precision to included related training and installation not to exceed \$1,200. Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Marshall, Sheltroun. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Information:  
None

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 11:00 a.m.

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

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