

Board of Road Commissioners Meeting
Board Room
May 8, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Oceana County Board of Road Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Myers in the Board Room at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, May 8, 2019.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Members present: Myers, Gowell, Forbes, Carr, Blohm. Absent: None.

Staff present: Timmer, Griffin, Merten.

Visitors: John Hendrixon, Shelby Township Supervisor; Dale Stevenson, Weare Township Supervisor; Walt Brimmer, Otto Township Supervisor; David Spitler, Pentwater Township Supervisor; Bill Wagner, Grant Township Clerk; Andrew Sebolt, County Commissioner Liaison; Margo Haynes, interested in Flower Road in Claybanks Township. **TOTAL: 7 visitors.**

CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION

Margo Haynes, asked for an update on Flower Road, West of 56th Avenue in Claybanks Township and wanted to hear about any new developments. Bill Wagner, Grant Township Clerk, and Dale Stevenson, Weare Township Supervisor, commented on road conditions in their respective areas.

David Spitler, Pentwater Township Supervisor, offered assistance in figuring out a plan to get Longbridge Road open to traffic again.

Motion by Forbes and supported by Gowell to approve the following Agenda items for discussion.

1. Discuss storage building bids;
2. Claybanks Township – Flower Road, West of 56th Avenue;
3. Shelby Township Road Abandonment – 96th Avenue, South of Buchanan (Raffaelli);
4. Hart-Pentwater Trail Funding Resolution.

Roll call vote: Forbes – yes; Gowell – yes; Blohm – yes; Carr – yes; Myers – yes.

Motion carried.

Motion by Forbes and supported by Blohm to approve the Minutes of the April 24, 2019 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

Roll call vote: Forbes – yes; Blohm – yes; Gowell – yes; Carr – yes; Myers – yes.

Motion carried.

The Revenues & Expenditures Report and Cash Flow Statement were given to the Board members to review.

Motion by Carr and supported by Gowell to approve the following Vouchers as presented.

Voucher No. 72081 (Accounts Payable)	\$308,354.05
Voucher No. 72082 (Payroll)	<u>\$ 63,286.59</u>
	\$371,640.64

Roll call vote: Carr – yes; Gowell – yes; Forbes – yes; Blohm – yes; Myers – yes.

Motion carried.

On April 23, 2019 at 2:00 PM, bids were opened and read aloud for a 72' X 172' pole building to be built in Hart, South of the main Road Commission building. Eight (8) bids were received and the bidder's name, bid amount, and location are listed below.

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Blackmer Electric	\$299,646.00	(Hart)
MQB	\$289,925.00	(Muskegon)
Tru-Line Construction	\$248,900.00	(Holton)
Swarey Construction	\$278,000.00	(Fremont)
Slater Contractors	\$258,602.00	(Holton)
CMA Design Services	\$605,864.93	(Shelby Township)
Tailored Building Systems	\$394,000.00	(Grand Rapids)
Morton Builders	\$525,626.00	(Rockford)

Mark and Shop Foreman, Denis Koch, have been speaking with various people that have had buildings built by the low bidder, Tru-Line Construction. The Building & Grounds Committee (Commissioners Gowell and Blohm) will be looking at some of the buildings and report back to the Board at the May 22, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.

Mark Timmer has spoken with David Marsh, Claybanks Township landowner on Flower Road, about the slag he put on his road to make it passable for deliveries to his farming operation. Mr. Marsh will be issued a Permit to put additional material 50 feet West of his driveway and also in the low area toward the West end of the large barn, and to grade the road.

The Clerk received paperwork from Richard Raffaelli, Shelby Township resident, requesting abandonment of 96th Avenue, South of Buchanan Road, for a distance of ~0.25 miles. The documents, along with written approval of the abandonment from the Shelby Township Board, were given to the Board to review. One question that arose was the location of the road to Moody Lake and whether or not the road actually provides access to the lake.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1 – SHELBY TOWNSHIP ROAD ABANDONMENT – 96th AVENUE,
SOUTH OF BUCHANAN ROAD, SECTIONS 10/11**

Motion by Carr and supported by Forbes to advertise in the Herald-Journal for a Public Hearing being held at the Oceana County Road Commission, 3501 W. Polk Road, Hart, Michigan at 10:15 AM on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, regarding the request for abandonment of 96th Avenue, South of Buchanan Road, in Sections 10/11 of Shelby Township, for a distance of ~0.25 miles.

Roll call vote: Carr – yes; Forbes – yes; Gowell – yes; Blohm - yes; Myers – yes.
Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – PENTWATER-HART TRAIL FUNDING

Motion by Forbes and supported by Gowell to authorize Managing Director Mark Timmer to request and receive payments from the Oceana County Community Foundation on behalf of the Road Commission for work performed/or to be performed on the Pentwater-Hart Trail. Such payments shall include, but not be limited to surveying, consultation, design engineering, construction engineering, inspection and testing, Right-of-Way acquisition, recording fees, permit fees, legal fees, advertising and construction, and labor and materials.

Roll call vote: Forbes – yes; Gowell – yes; Blohm – yes; Carr – yes; Myers – yes.
Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

Mark Timmer reported that our crews are grading gravel roads, patching with hot boxes, pulling berm, and getting several roads ready for paving yet this month. The Traffic Services crew staked roads for paving, continued work on a Safety Grant for curve signing, took elevations on Longbridge Road and also on Washington Road at Dumaw Creek where a large culvert failed (Holly Vickers, DEQ/Grand Rapids, has been to the site and is working with the Road Commission and our bridge engineer, to determine the size of culvert needed).

Hallack's have begun crushing the shaping Deer Road (from 34th Avenue to 48th Avenue) in preparation for paving.

The paperwork has been signed for the MDOT Project on Oceana Drive (from the Village of New Era to M-20). Our Critical Bridge Applications were submitted by the May 1, 2019 deadline (funding in 2022 if awarded). Plans and bids received for a new 72' X 172' pole building are being thoroughly reviewed by staff. Longbridge Road has been closed to traffic since May 1 due to water over the road and saturation of the road bed. Mark and our bridge engineer from Scott Civil Engineering evaluated the road on May 6 and it remains closed.

Chairman Myers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

SANDRA K. GRIFFIN
Clerk

WILLIAM MYERS
Chairman

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