

Board of Road Commissioners Meeting
County Services Building
August 28, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Oceana County Board of Road Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Myers at the County Services Building at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, August 28, 2024.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Members present: Myers, Forbes, Spitler, Koch
Staff present: Timmer, Terryn, Curtis.

Absent: Gowell.

Visitors: Dave Leonard, Colfax Township Supervisor; Garry McKeen, Parks & Recreation Commission; Craig Mast, Oceana County Sherriff; Tim Beggs, Oceana County Commissioner; Roger Schmidt, Grant Township Supervisor; Stephanie Hughes, Golden Township resident; Jeff Colburn, Harry Ross and Larry Haynes, Colfax Township residents. **TOTAL: 9 visitors.**

AGENDA

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

NO AGENDA ITEMS

Roll call vote: Forbes – yes; Koch – yes; Spitler – yes; Myers – yes.
Motion carried.

Absent: Gowell.

CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION

Colfax Township residents expressed concern about water running off the road and into their yards.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Forbes and supported by Spitler to approve the Minutes of the August 14, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

Roll call vote: Forbes – yes; Spitler – yes; Koch – yes; Myers – yes.
Motion carried.

Absent: Gowell.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

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

Motion by Koch and supported by Spitler to approve the following Vouchers as presented.

Voucher No.	72372 (Accounts Payable)	\$ 979,654.80
Voucher No.	72373 (Payroll)	\$ 94,952.03
	Total	\$ 1,074,606.83

Roll call vote: Koch – yes; Spitler – yes; Forbes – yes; Myers – yes.
Motion carried.

Absent: Gowell

STAFF REPORTS

The State crew has been patching various routes, storm cleanup, shoulder and drainage maintenance and mowing US 31.

The M-20 crew has patched various roads with the hot box, brined Shelby, Benona, Grant, Newfield, and working on Otto. Repaired washouts and gravel roads. Chip sealed and fog sealed, worked on drains, and shouldered Buchanan in Newfield, York, and Polk overlays, 116th in Otto.

The Hart crew patched various road with hot box. Brined in Golden, Hart, Crystal, Weare, Pentwater and working on Colfax. Repaired washouts and gravel – a lot of damage county wide with 4-6 foot trenches. Chip sealed and fog sealed, worked on drains and mowed county parks.

Traffic Services supervised sign crew/County Work/State Work, worked on asset management, Miss Digs, Road Soft, sign repairs, street name signs, permits, closures and detours for road work and bridge jobs. Gary McKeen commented that Jeremi did a great job on the detours.

Mark Timmer reviewed bills and finances with the Clerk. Pilings are all in on Roosevelt Bridge and building back walls. Rieth Riley finished paving Madison, road is shouldered, needs topsoil, guardrail and striping. York, 128th and Pierce is completed and open. Rieth Riley paved base on one line of Shelby Road, paved overlays on York and Polk for road bond. Prep work started on 116th in Elbridge, it is scheduled to be crushed the week of September 9th. Update on washouts and methods to repair the washouts. We also applied for and received an Intersection Sign Safety Grant for \$211,000.00 and we only pay \$21,000 of the total. Also, Senator Bumstead gave MDOT funding for a tunnel under M-20 by Lewis Farms that will accommodate pedestrian traffic and well as the trams. This project is in the planning stage for 2025.

Mark Timmer read a letter from Gary Leroy Strait which complemented the restoration of York, 128th and Pierce in Elbridge and Ferry Townships. Cathy Forbes said that North Ridge Road looks fabulous and Shelby Road also looks great. Mark said that Ridge Road will be improved from 34th/Deer Road to Longbridge Road.

Chairman Myers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:19 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

RENEE CURTIS, Clerk

WILLIAM MYERS, Chairman

SEPTEMBER 11, 2024

DATE