

Board of Road Commissioners Meeting
County Services Building
August 11, 2021

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 11, 2021.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

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

Staff present: Timmer, Holmes, Terryn.

Visitors: Craig Mast, Oceana County Sheriff; Robert Wade, Colfax Township Supervisor; Lynne Cavazos, Pentwater Township Supervisor; Richard Raffaelli, Shelby Township Supervisor; Tim Beggs, County Commissioner Liaison; Garry McKeen, Parks and Recreation Commission; David Borgeson, Claybanks Township resident, Jason Stone, Weare Township resident; and Cal Moul, Hart Township resident.

TOTAL: 9 visitors

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

1. Denis Koch Retirement
2. Tractor Quotes
3. Tag Mower Quotes

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

CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION

Robert Wade, Colfax Township Supervisor thanked the Road Commission for work done in Colfax Township; Robert has received good feedback from citizens.

Craig Mast, Oceana County Sheriff, complimented the Road Commission for work being done around the County.

David Borgeson, Claybank Township resident, complimented the road work that has been done on Scenic Drive running along the West side of Stony Lake (nice improvement to this area).

Garry McKeen, Parks and Recreation Commission, spoke briefly on the brush spraying program and encouraged the Road Commission to continue with brush spraying.

Jason Stone, Weare Township Resident, inquired about any possible improvements being done to Washington Road and Jefferson Road. Chairman Myers referred that Jason would need to contact Managing Director, Mark Timmer.

Richard Raffaelli, Shelby Township Supervisor, thanked Managing Director, Mark Timmer and the Road Commission crew for the 14-15 miles of roadwork done in Shelby Township and also thanked Mr. Timmer for always accepting his phone calls to discuss road work.

Cal Moul, Hart Township resident, spoke about the drain across Taylor Road at the Water Road intersection. Chairman Myers advised Cal to meet with Managing Director, Mark Timmer.

Motion by Forbes and supported by Gowell to approve the Minutes of the July 28, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

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

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

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

Voucher No. 72204 (Accounts Payable)	\$283,187.35
Voucher No. 72205 (Payroll)	<u>\$ 90,119.80</u>
	\$373,307.15

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

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
FOR
DENIS F. KOCH
RETIRING OCEANA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION SHOP FOREMAN**

WHEREAS, Denis Koch began his tenure with the Oceana County Road Commission on June 4, 1984 and retired from the Road Commission on Thursday, July 15, 2021 after more than thirty-seven (37) years of employment.

WHEREAS, Denis began his employment in the general work force and drove trucks, operated motor graders, mowers, and loaders and was Shop Foreman for approximately seventeen (17) years before his retirement.

WHEREAS, Denis’s expertise in equipment knowledge has been a great asset to the Road Commission. His work ethics and willingness to help wherever and whenever has been a great resource for our organization.

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Road Commission wishes to recognize Denis for this dedication and excellent service to the residents of Oceana County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Oceana County Road Commission hereby honors Denis F. Koch for his long and distinguished career at the Road Commission and for his commitment and dedication to the motoring public of Oceana County, and wishes him a healthy and fulfilling retirement.

This Resolution was gratefully approved by the Road Commission Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – PURCHASE OF TRACTOR

Motion by Forbes and supported by Gowell to purchase a 2021 John Deere JD5100E tractor for \$57,552.57 from Hutson, Inc. located in Big Rapids.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – PURCHASE OF TAG MOWER

Motion by Forbes and supported by Gowell to purchase a 2021 Ford Bush Hog 3810HD tag mower with foam filled tires for \$19,294.40 from Burnips located in Dorr.

Roll call vote: Forbes – yes; Gowell – yes; Blohm – no; Spitler – yes; Myers – yes.
Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

The State crew has been doing roadside cleanup, repaired washouts, shoulder and surface maintenance, and tree cleanup.

The M-20 crew has patched various roads, fixed washouts, graded gravel roads, shouldered Woodrow Road, Shelby Road, and W. Grant Road (all in Shelby Township). The crew has also chip sealed 144th Avenue, Polk Road, Taylor Road, 116th Avenue, Harrison Road, and Tyler Road (all in Elbridge Township), 100th Avenue (Hart Township), Hawley Road (Newfield Township), 176th Avenue, Jefferson Road, 188th Avenue, and Washington Road (all in Colfax Township).

The Hart crew has patched various roads, fixed washouts, graded gravel roads, and worked with the M-20 crew on chip sealing/fog sealing Deer Road (Golden Township). The crew has also fog sealed Oceana Drive (Hart Township), Fox Road, Deer Road, and Railroad Road (all in Golden Township), Buchanan Road, 79th Avenue, Weaver Road, Water Road, 72nd Avenue, E. Baker Road, W. Baker Road, 80th Avenue, and 88th Avenue (all in Shelby Township).

Traffic Services has worked on asset management, Miss Digs, signs, permits, Road Soft, traffic control on various roads, and supervised the sign crew with State and County work.

Hallack crushed and graded E. Grant Road, Woodrow Road, Shelby Road, and 88th Avenue South of M-20 (all in Shelby Township). Rieth Riley paved W. Grant Road, E. Grant Road, Woodrow Road East of the Village, Shelby Road East of the Village, and 88th Avenue South of M-20 (all in Shelby Township). Both M-20 and Hart crews worked Tuesday night until Wednesday morning removing tress from the storm.

Chairman Myers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:39 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

LORI L. HOLMES
Finance/HR Director

WILLIAM MYERS
Chairman

AUGUST 25, 2021

DATE