

Board of Road Commissioners Meeting
Hart Garage – Inside (Parking Garage)
September 9, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Oceana County Board of Road Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Myers at the Road Commission offices in Hart at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, September 9, 2020. The Meeting was held inside in the parking garage; tables and chairs were set up to meet social distancing requirements with a maximum of ten (10) people allowed inside at a time and masks were required.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

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

Staff present: Timmer, Griffin, Holmes.

Visitors: Deborah Shockey, Golden Township resident; Roy Wilson, Little Pt. Sable resident; Sharon Hallack, Elbridge Township resident; and Rich DeRuiter, Hart Township resident.

TOTAL: 4 visitors.

CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION

Rich DeRuiter, Hart Township resident commented on the condition of Water Road from Taylor Road to Polk Road. He requested a plan be put together for repairing the road.

Deborah Shockey, Golden Township resident, presented a Petition with an additional eleven (11) signatures “asking for action on a study of the 18th Avenue/Silver Lake Road intersection”. The Petition was placed on file in the office with the prior Petition submitted on August 26, 2020 with seventy-one (71) signatures.

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

1. MCRCSIP Amendment to Pool By-Laws/Associate Member Counties.

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

Motion carried.

Motion by Forbes and supported by Gowell to approve the Minutes of the August 26, 2020 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

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

Motion carried.

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

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

Voucher No. 72154 (Accounts Payable)	\$ 565,795.91
Voucher No. 72155 (Payroll)	<u>\$ 78,311.42</u>
	\$ 644,107.33

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

The Board was given copies of a document from the Michigan County Road Commission Self-Insurance Pool (MCRCSIP) requesting each membership county for their support for an Amendment to the Pool By-Laws. Mark Timmer explained the document in detail to the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – SEPTEMBER, 2020 AMENDMENT TO MICHIGAN COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION SELF INSURANCE POOL BY-LAWS.

Motion by Forbes and supported by Gowell to approve the September, 2020 Amendment to the Michigan County Road Commission Self Insurance Pool By-Laws.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – APPOINT MANAGING DIRECTOR MARK TIMMER AS VOTING DELEGATE ON MICHIGAN COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION SELF INSURANCE POOL MATTERS.

Motion by Forbes and supported by Carr to designate Managing Director and/or his assigns to vote on behalf of the Oceana County Road Commission on Michigan County Road Commission Self Insurance Pool matters.

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

STAFF REPORTS

Mark Timmer began his staff reports by reading aloud an e-mail he had received from Emma Kirwin, Leavitt Township Supervisor, thanking the Road Commission for patching Harrison Road, East of Walkerville, and for chip/fog sealing 198th Avenue North of Fillmore to the Village of Walkerville. She stated that the township knows it has been a stressful year with the pandemic and loss of revenues and expressed their appreciation.

The State crew is doing brushing on US-31, mowing on M-20, repairing road heaves and bad joints, patching on various routes, and repairing washouts/shoulder patching on Oceana Drive, M-20, BR-31, and US-31.

The M-20 crew has fog sealed the primary roads in Oceana County, hot patched and mowed various roads in several townships, and have bladed roads and brined in Greenwood, Claybanks, Otto, Crystal and Weare townships.

The Hart crew has bladed gravel roads and brined with M-20, repaired washouts, mowed in the County, finished the shoulders on 88th Avenue in Weare Township (between Jackson Road and VanBuren Road), patched with the hot box, and assisted with chip sealing.

The Traffic Services crew has supervised with the fog seal crew, worked on Asset Management on bridges, pavement, and culverts with Managing Director Mark Timmer. They have also set up lane closures for heaves, performed miscellaneous sign work, and have set up and removed road closures, and performed traffic control for various jobs including signs for chip sealing.

The best practices/social distancing, daily health questions for all employees, and providing masks for all employees is still being practiced to be in line with the Governor's Executive Orders. Rieth-Riley has paved the top course on 96th Avenue in Shelby Township and Tonawanda Drive in Lake Tahoe. Asphalt Paving has paved the approach to the salt shed to complete the contract (the Road Commission has been reimbursed from MDOT for this part of the salt shed project). Action Traffic has installed signs for the Sign Safety Grant Project.

Chairman Myers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

LORI L. HOLMES
Finance/HR Director

WILLIAM MYERS
Chairman

SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

DATE