

OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting

February 9, 2012

The Committee of the Whole of the Board of County Road Commissioners met on Thursday, February 9, 2012 and called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairman Palarz.

Present: Commissioners Palarz, Vander Kooi, Bird, Elhart, Grifhorst, Manager Laughlin; Engineer Zarzecki, and Secretary Mikita

Absent: None

The Board reviewed and audited the vouchers for February 9, 2012.

Representatives of Smith Haughey Rice and Roegge addressed the Board regarding legal services.

At 9:00 A.M. Commissioner Elhart left the meeting.

At 9:00 A.M. the regular meeting was called to order.

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved to approve the Agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Bird and carried.

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved to approve minutes of January 26, 2012, seconded by Commissioner Bird and carried.

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved to approve payment of payroll in the amount of \$322,966.36, seconded by Commissioner Bird and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Palarz, Vander Kooi, Bird, and Grifhorst

Nays: None

Public Comment: None

Secretary Mikita reported on the following:

- Overtime and salt purchases report.
- Items from Clerks meeting recently attended.

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved to change the regularly scheduled meeting of Thursday, March 8, 2012 to Friday, March 9, 2012 at 9:00 A.M., seconded by Commissioner Bird and carried.

Secretary Mikita on MTF revenues to date of \$3,725,933.48 representing 23.6% of budget.

Manager Laughlin reported on the following:

- MACC meeting attended.
- CRAM Board of Directors ballot.

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved to register a vote for Frederick Chapman, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Commissioner Bird moved to schedule a public informational meeting on March 12, 2012 at 2:00 P.M. to receive comments for the 2012-2016 Transportation Improvement Program for Rural Ottawa County, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Manager Laughlin reviewed the status of Spring Grove Farms #2 Plat. Commissioner Grifhorst moved to rescind action taken January 27, 2011 and re-approve the Plat with changes, seconded by Commissioner Vander Kooi and carried.

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved to approve the following resolution.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Act 51 of Public Act 1951, as amended the Ottawa County Road Commission agrees to take over and constitute as county roads and to make additions and deletions to local roads on Form 2008E Additions and Deletions to County Local Road Systems and to request changes to primary roads as listed on Form 2008D Request for Changes in County Primary Road System; and to acknowledge that the added roadways are located within road right-of-way under County control and are accepted into the County road system effective December 31, 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ottawa County Road Commission requests the Michigan Department of Transportation to approve and process the forms and documents for the annual road Mileage Certification for Ottawa County.

Seconded by Commissioner Bird and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Palarz, Vander Kooi, Bird, and Grifhorst

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Elhart

Manager Laughlin reviewed various options regarding the traffic count program because of what is now required by Grand Valley Metro Council. Counts will be staggered on a 3-year rotation, with additional counts taken as necessary.

Manager Laughlin reviewed an informational flier regarding road funding.

Manager Laughlin presented and reviewed the 2012 road program update.

Manager Laughlin presented a traffic survey report for a safe approach speed on Chippewa Street at 22nd Avenue in Georgetown Township. Based on the Safe Approach Speed Analysis the installation of yield control would be appropriate.

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved to accept the survey report, seconded by Commissioner Bird and carried.

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved to approve Traffic Control Order #867 to place a yield sign on Chippewa Street at 22nd Avenue, seconded by Commissioner Bird and carried.

Public Comment:

Laird Schaefer addressed the Board regarding suggested communications by the Road Commission for various subjects.

Meeting adjourned at 10:38 A.M.