

OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting

September 20, 2012

The Committee of the Whole of the Board of County Road Commissioners met on Thursday, September 20, 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

Peter Haefner of Vredeveld Haefner, LLC reviewed the preliminary results of the Study of Eastern Ottawa County Facilities Infrastructure. A general discussion took place regarding the study's findings.

The Board reviewed and audited the vouchers for September 20, 2012.

At 9:00 A.M., the regular meeting was called to order. All present as before.

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

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved to approve minutes of September 6, 2012, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Bird moved to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$1,824,184.50, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Commissioner Bird offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption.

Whereas, the Michigan Department of Transportation ("MDOT") has presented a proposed contract between MDOT and the Ottawa County Road Commission under which the Road Commission would perform maintenance on state trunkline highways within Ottawa County, and

Whereas, MDOT has affirmatively found that contracting with the Ottawa County Road Commission for the maintenance of State Trunk Line highways and bridges within Ottawa County, is in the best public interest; and

Whereas, the Ottawa County Road Commission concurs in MDOT's finding that it is in the best public interest to contract with the Ottawa County Road Commission for the maintenance of State Trunk Line highways and bridges within Ottawa County for the reason that the Road Commission has a proven record of efficiently providing a high level of service on State Trunkline Highways within Ottawa County for over 58 years; and

Whereas, the Ottawa County Road Commission has reviewed the terms of the contract and the recommendations of the CRAM's Negotiating Committee; and

Whereas, the members of CRAM's Negotiating Committee have recommended that the Road Commissions approve the proposed contract after making changes to Paragraph 1 and Paragraph 5 of Section 16, Partnering Efforts, by striking language unilaterally added to the form Contract by MDOT following the conclusion of negotiations that took place over 12 months resulting in changes to the form contract previously used by MDOT and County Road Commissions agreed to by the Negotiating Committee;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Ottawa County Road Commission hereby accepts and agrees to enter into the State Trunkline Maintenance Contract presented by MDOT but only in the form that incorporates the changes as recommended by CRAM's Negotiating Committee and Thomas Palarz, Chairman and Michael Mikita, Secretary are authorized and instructed to sign the State Trunkline Maintenance Contract incorporating the changes as indicated in this resolution on behalf of the Ottawa County Road Commission.

Supported by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried by the following vote:

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

Nays: None

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve the West Spring Lake Road Bridge over Cornelius Bayou construction plans as presented, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to approve the low quote of \$56,320 from My-Con, Inc. for the installation of aluminum multi-plate arch culvert on State Road east of 130th Avenue, seconded by Commissioner Vander Kooi and carried.

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve the Temporary Traffic Control Order Number 2-12 for "No Parking at Any Time" along 160th Avenue from Perry Street to James Street on September 22, 2012, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

At 10:00 A.M., as per advertisement for a public hearing for the fiscal year 2013 budget and 2013-2018 Strategic Improvement Plan, Commissioner Palarz declared the hearing open. No written statements were received and three citizens were in attendance with no questions or comments.

At 10:35 A.M., the hearing was declared closed.

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved the following:

- Approve the FY 2012 revised budget as presented.
- Approve the FY 2013 General Operating Fund Budget as presented. The expenditure amount for distributive expense shall be allocated to the various expenditure items in proportion to the actual amounts at year end.

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

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

Nays: None

Commissioner Vander Kooi moved to approve the 2013-2018 Strategic Improvement Plan as presented, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Manager Laughlin reported on the following:

- Receipt of Crockery Township resolution regarding MDOT right-of-way along Cleveland Street.
- Meeting with County officials regarding the establishment of a study group.

Manager Laughlin presented a 2012 road program update.

Manager Laughlin reported on status of the proposed Allendale facility.

Public Comment:

Laird Schaeffer addressed the Board regarding speed limit on Lakeshore Drive from Lincoln Street to Ferris Street.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 A.M.