

OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting

January 24, 2013

The Committee of the Whole of the Board of County Road Commissioners met on Thursday, January 24, 2013 and called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairman Bird.

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

Absent: None

The Board reviewed and audited the vouchers for January 24, 2013.

At 8:30 A.M., Commissioner Palarz moved to go into closed session to discuss property acquisition, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Bird, Elhart, Palarz, Grifhorst, and Miedema

Nays: None

At 9:40 A.M., Commissioner Grifhorst moved to rise from closed session, seconded by Commissioner Palarz and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Bird, Elhart, Palarz, Grifhorst, and Miedema

Nays: None

At 9:45 A.M., the regular meeting was called to order. All present as before.

Commissioner Palarz moved to approve the Agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Palarz moved to approve minutes of January 10, 2013, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$821,689.08, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Bird, Elhart, Palarz, Grifhorst, and Miedema

Nays: None

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve the construction plans as presented for the 88th Avenue project in Zeeland Township and authorized the Managing Director to execute the development agreement, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to approve the preliminary plat of Rolling Hills Estates No. 4 in Georgetown Township, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Palarz moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas, the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Ottawa, by execution of this resolution, hereby consents to and authorizes the taking of the following action and waive any notice which may be required in connection herewith.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Ottawa seeks state and federal transportation funds from the Grand Valley Metropolitan Council in the amounts for the following projects:

Port Sheldon Street: 40th Avenue to Chicago Drive – Priority #1 for FY2015 STP Funding

Resurface the existing 5 lanes.

\$960,000 Federal Share

\$240,000 Local Match

\$1,200,000 Total Participating Construction Costs

\$65,000 Engineering and Miscellaneous Costs

\$1,265,000 Total Project Cost

48th Avenue: M-45 to Pierce Street – Priority #1 for FY2016 STP Funding

Reconstruct to a 4 lane boulevard.

\$2,000,000 Federal Share

\$500,000 Local Match

\$2,500,000 Total Participating Construction Costs

\$155,000 Engineering and Miscellaneous Costs

\$2,655,000 Total Project Cost

Cottonwood Drive: Taylor Street to Baldwin Street – Priority #1 for FY2017 STP Funding

Resurface the existing 2 to 4 lanes.

\$720,000 Federal Share

\$180,000 Local Match

\$900,000 Total Participating Construction Costs

\$45,000 Engineering and Miscellaneous Costs

\$945,000 Total Project Cost

28th Avenue: Baldwin Street to Bauer Road – Priority #2 for FY2017 STP Funding

Resurface existing 2 lanes.

\$320,000 Federal Share

\$80,000 Local Match

\$400,000 Total Participating Construction Costs

\$30,000 Engineering and Miscellaneous Costs

\$430,000 Total Project Cost

The motion was supported by Commissioner Miedema, and carried by the following votes:

Yeas: Miedema, Palarz, Bird, Elhart, Grifhorst

Nays: None

Manager Laughlin presented recommended revised policies with procedures for: tree planting within county road right-of-way, encroachments within right-of-way, and mailbox installation.

Commissioner Elhart moved to table action on the policies until next meeting. Motion died for lack of support.

Commissioner Palarz moved to approve the mailbox installation policy with procedures as presented, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and passed as follows:

Yeas: Miedema, Palarz, and Elhart

Nays: Bird, Grifhorst

Commissioner Bird moved to approve the encroachments within the right-of-way policy with procedures as presented, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and passed as follows:

Yeas: Miedema, Palarz, Bird, and Elhart

Nays: Grifhorst

Commissioner Palarz moved to approve tree planting within county road right-of-way policy with procedures, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and passed as follows:

Yeas: Miedema, Palarz, Elhart, and Grifhorst

Nays: Bird

Secretary Mikita reviewed capital outlay purchases to date. Commissioner Elhart moved to accept bids for dump trucks and mowing tractors on February 19th at 10:00 a.m., seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Manager Laughlin reported on the following:

- February 5th quarterly meeting with county officials.
- Pre-negotiation meeting held with Local 1063.
- Suggested letter to Jamestown Township supervisor regarding Grand Valley Metro Council membership. Commissioner Elhart moved to approve the letter and signatures of Board members seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Manager Laughlin reported the S.W. Council will meet February 11th in VanBuren County.

Manager Laughlin presented the Rural Task Force 8b update.

Manager Laughlin presented a MACC Technical Committee update report.

Commissioner Elhart reported on the Road Commission task force meeting and an upcoming transportation funding meeting at the West Coast Chamber of Commerce.

Public Comment: None

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 P.M.