

OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting

April 16, 2015

The Committee of the whole of the Board of County Road Commissioners met on Thursday, April 16, 2015 and called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairman Bird.

Present: Commissioners Bird, Elhart, Grifhorst, Miedema, Gajewski, Manager Laughlin, Utility Director Staskiewicz, and Secretary Mikita

Absent: None

The Board reviewed and audited vouchers for April 16, 2015.

Peter Haefner of Vredeveld Haefner, LLC, presented and reviewed, during work session, the audit reports for the Road Commission and Public Utilities Department.

At 9:00 a.m. the regular meeting was called to order. All present as before.

Public Comment:

Two residents of 14th Avenue in Wright Township requested attention to the gravel surface of their road.

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

Commissioner Miedema moved to approve the minutes of April 2, 2015, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve payment of bills and payroll in the amount of \$1,160,093.04, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to approve the construction plan for Fruitport Road from M-104 to the county line as presented, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried.

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve the final plat of Brighamwoods Subdivision No. 2 as presented, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried.

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve a public hearing date of May 28, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., to receive comments concerning the proposed reconstruction of Ransom Street from 64th Avenue to approximately 1700 feet east, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Gajewski moved to approve the contract with Weick Brothers, Inc. for the 68th Avenue from Taft Street to Wilson Street project and authorized the signature of the Chairman and Secretary, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to change the following described street name to Northern Drive:

Panda Drive west off 3rd Avenue, Section 24, T7N, R13W, Tallmadge Township

Seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried.

Managing Director Laughlin presented the application for Local Bridge Funds for the replacement of the bridge crossing of 32nd Avenue Bridge over Rio Grande Creek.

Upon review of the application, Commissioner Elhart moved to actively seek funding for participation in the replacement of the structure, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Gajewski, Miedema, Elhart, Grifhorst, Bird

Nays: None

Managing Director Laughlin presented the application for Local Bridge Funds for the preventative maintenance of the bridge crossing of 96th Avenue Bridge over Bass Creek.

Upon review of the application, Commissioner Gajewski moved to actively seek funding for participation in the preventative maintenance of the structure, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Gajewski, Miedema, Elhart, Grifhorst, Bird

Nays: None

Managing Director Laughlin presented the application for Local Bridge Funds for the rehabilitation of the bridge crossing of Barry Street over East Branch of Rush Creek.

Upon review of the application, Commissioner Grifhorst moved to actively seek funding for participation in the rehabilitation of the structure, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Gajewski, Miedema, Elhart, Grifhorst, Bird

Nays: None

Managing Director Laughlin presented the application for Local Bridge Funds for the replacement of the bridge crossing of 96th Avenue Bridge over Black River Tributary.

Upon review of the application, Commissioner Gajewski moved to actively seek funding for participation in the replacement of the structure, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Gajewski, Miedema, Elhart, Grifhorst, Bird

Nays: None

Managing Director Laughlin presented the application for Local Bridge Funds for the replacement of the bridge crossing of South Shore Drive over Montello Park Drain.

Upon review of the application, Commissioner Elhart moved to actively seek funding for participation in the replacement of the structure, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Gajewski, Miedema, Elhart, Grifhorst, Bird

Nays: None

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve the 2015 Chloride program estimate for Holland Township and authorized the Chairman's signature, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to approve the 2015 roadside mowing estimate for Holland Township and authorized the Chairman's signature, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Gajewski moved to approve the project estimate for the I-96 underpass non-motorized trail in Crockery Township and authorized the Chairman's signature, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Miedema moved to approve the project estimate for subdivision resurfacing in Grand Haven Township and authorized the Chairman's signature, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

At 10:00 a.m., as per advertisement for an abandonment hearing for a portion of Buchanan Street in Robinson Township, Commissioner Bird declared the hearing open. Various township residents and officials presented comments in favor of or in opposition to the proposed abandonment. A letter was read from William and Elizabeth Mashewske. After considerable discussion, Commissioner Bird declared the hearing closed at 11:37 a.m. Commissioner Miedema moved to table the matter until further notice to allow affected individuals to attempt to resolve issues with the township before any abandonment is considered, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to approve the AE consultant services agreement proposal with Owen-Ames-Kimball Company for the Coopersville area maintenance facility and authorized the Managing Director to act on the Board's behalf to execute a final consultant's service agreement, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Gajewski moved to approve the 48th Avenue project estimate agreement with Allendale Township and accept the proposal from Land Matters, LLC for right-of-way acquisition services, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to approve the traffic survey report for the left turn phase for 20th Avenue and Baldwin Street in Georgetown Township with the recommendation to install left turn signals for all approaches at this intersection as scheduling and weather permits, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Bird moved to approve Traffic Control Order #881 to revoke that part of Traffic Control Order #754 requiring northbound traffic on West Shore Drive to stop at Greenly Street, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve Traffic Control Order #882 yielding northbound traffic on West Shore Drive at Greenly Street, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Secretary Mikita reported on the following:

- Current liability insurance premium costs.
- Current State Trunkline maintenance invoice.
- CRAM dues invoice.

Manager Laughlin reported on the following:

- Meeting with Park Township officials.
- S.W. Council meeting to be held May 11, 2015.

Manager Laughlin reviewed the proposals received for real estate broker services for the Rosy Mound excess property. Manager Laughlin was directed to get a listing agreement from Draft Real Estate for Board consideration.

Manager Laughlin presented and reviewed the May newsletter.

Public Comment: None

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 P.M.