

# **OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**

## **Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting**

**October 29, 2015**

The Committee of the whole of the Board of County Road Commissioners met on Thursday, October 29, 2015 and called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairman Bird.

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

Absent: None

The Board reviewed and audited vouchers for October 29, 2015.

Employee, Keena, addressed the Board regarding process of setting speed limits.

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

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

Commissioner Miedema moved to approve the minutes of October 15, 2015, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Commissioner Miedema moved to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$853,351.72, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Nathan Vriesman, of Vriesman and Korhorn Civil Engineers, joined the meeting to represent Jamestown Township. The township requested a location deviation to place the forcemain at the standard location for watermain of 29' along the north side of Greenly Street. After consideration and discussion and review of staff analysis not supporting the request, Commissioner Grifhorst moved to deny the request, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Miedema moved to approve the final plat of Dykstra Estates as presented, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve the revised preliminary plat of Summerset South as presented, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to approve Contract No. 15-5485 between Michigan Department of Transportation and Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Ottawa for removal and replacement of the structure which carries State Road over Crockery Creek in Crockery Township and authorized the signatures of the Chairman, Thomas E. Bird, and Secretary Michael C. Mikita, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Manager Laughlin presented a request for special needs child signage on Taft Street in Wright Township. Commissioner Elhart, noting Road Commission policy, moved to approve the request, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst 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 West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission in the amounts for the following projects:

Robbins Road: Moreland Avenue to Mercury Drive – Priority #1 for FY2018 STP Funding

Resurface existing 30 foot width and restore shoulders.

\$258,000 Federal Share

\$64,500 Local Match

**\$322,500 Total Participating Construction Costs**

\$16,125 Engineering and Miscellaneous Costs

\$338,625 Total Project Cost

Comstock Street: 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Mercury Drive – Priority #1 for FY2019 STP Funding

Resurface the existing 30 foot width and restore shoulders.

\$583,940 Federal Share

\$250,260 Local Match

**\$834,200 Total Participating Construction Costs**

\$41,710 Engineering and Miscellaneous Costs

\$875,910 Total Project Cost

Lakeshore Avenue: Rosy Mound Dr. to Buchanan Street – Priority #1 for FY2020 STP Funding

Resurface the existing 32 foot width and restore shoulders.

\$550,000 Federal Share

\$651,500 Local Match

**\$1,201,500 Total Participating Construction Costs**

\$50,000 Engineering and Miscellaneous Costs

\$1,251,500 Total Project Cost

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Commissioner Elhart moved to approve staff request to purchase surveying equipment as presented, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Manager Laughlin presented the following traffic survey reports:

### **Traffic Control Survey for 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Byron Road in Jamestown Township**

Based on the review of traffic counts, analysis of traffic control warrants, intersection characteristics, on-site inspection, and traffic crash reports it is recommended:

1. Provide multi-way stop control at the intersection.

Commissioner Miedema moved to accept the traffic survey report and the related Traffic Control Order #884, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried.

### **Traffic Speed Limit Survey for Inland Drive from Lakeshore Avenue to Lake Avenue in Port Sheldon Township**

Based on joint field review, roadway characteristics, collision history, and speed study, the survey team concluded the road segment would qualify for a 35 mph speed limit if it was 0.5 miles or greater in length. However, Sgt. Roesler advised the Michigan State Police does not issue traffic control orders for road segments less than 0.5 miles in length. Thus the existing 25/55 mph unposted speed limit shall remain in place.

Commissioner Gajewski moved to accept the traffic survey report, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

### **Traffic Speed Limit Survey for 32<sup>nd</sup> Street from Holland City limits to South Shore Drive in Park Township.**

Based on joint field review, roadway characteristics, collision history, and speed study, the survey team concluded the existing Traffic Control Order providing for a 35 mph speed limit should be rescinded and a new Traffic Control Order providing for a 45 mph speed limit should be issued. Park Township Manager, Jerry Felix, did not object to the survey team's recommendation.

Recommendation: Establish jointly with the Michigan Department of State Police a 45 mph speed limit on 32<sup>nd</sup> Street from South Shore Drive to Holland City limits. The Michigan Department of State Police will prepare a Traffic Control Order for Board signature which will include rescinding Traffic Control Order #S70-278-69.

Commissioner Miedema moved to accept the traffic survey report, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried.

**Traffic Speed Limit Survey for 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Green Street to 0.70 miles south of Green Street in Robinson Township.**

Based on joint field review, roadway characteristics, collision history, and speed study, the survey team concluded the existing 55 mph statewide speed limit should be modified and that a Traffic Control Order for providing for a 45 mph speed limit be issued. Robinson Township Supervisor, Tracy Mulligan, did not object to the survey team's recommendation.

Recommendation: Establish jointly with the Michigan Department of State Police a 45 mph speed limit on 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Green Street to a point 0.70 miles south of Green Street. The Michigan Department of State Police will prepare a Traffic Control Order for Board signature.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to accept the traffic survey report, seconded by Commissioner Elhart and carried.

Secretary Mikita reported on the following:

- Tentative dates for 2016 Board meetings.
- MTF report.
- State Trunkline maintenance report.

Manager Laughlin reported on the following:

- Status of 2015 paving projects.
- Meetings held regarding design of salt storage facilities for the Coopersville and Hudsonville garages.

Manager Laughlin presented the November newsletter for review.

Manager Laughlin discussed correspondence received from Park Township regarding improvements on Ottawa Beach Road. Staff was directed to continue dialogue with the township regarding improvements along Ottawa Beach Road.

Public Comment: None

Meeting adjourned at 11:08 A.M.