

OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting December 22, 2016

The Committee of the whole of the Board of County Road Commissioners met on Thursday, December 22, 2016 and called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairman Elhart.

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

Absent: None

The Board reviewed and audited vouchers for December 22, 2016.

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

Robert Ellis addressed the Board regarding his deviation request on Elderwood Drive.

Commissioner Bird moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Bird moved to approve minutes of December 8, 2016, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Miedema moved to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$1,602,372.02, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to remove the Elderwood Drive extension deviation request from the table, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried.

Commissioner Bird moved to deny the deviation request for the proposed Elderwood Drive extension as presented. The Board may consider the extension of Elderwood Drive with a paved turnaround radius of 33 feet and right-of-way with a radius of 53 feet. Seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Gajewski moved to remove the Hathaway Lakes No. 7 preliminary plat approval from the table, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Bird moved to approve the preliminary plat of Hathaway Lakes No. 7 as presented, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to approve the final plat of Eagles Landing located in Blendon Township as presented, seconded by Commissioner Miedema as presented.

Commissioner Miedema moved to approve the final plat of Lowing Woods, No. 9 located in Georgetown Township as presented, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Manager Laughlin presented a petition for abandonment of Waybury Drive in Hathaway Lakes No. 5 in Crockery Township. Commissioner Bird moved to approve the abandonment of Waybury Drive subject to the reconstruction of the Waybury Drive approach at Birchview Drive to a commercial driveway standard, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried.

Commissioner Miedema moved to approve Traffic Control Order #897 stopping northbound traffic on Eaglewood Drive at Port Sheldon Street, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried.

Commissioner Bird moved to approve the project estimate with Park Township for non-motorized pathway on 160th Avenue from Ransom Street to James Street, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried.

Commissioner Miedema moved to adopt the proposed Act 51 Agent Agreement form, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried.

Commissioner Gajewski moved to approve the proposed in-range salary increase for eligible non-bargaining unit employees to be effective January 15, 2017, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Commissioner Grifhorst moved to approve the resolution and accept the Warranty Deed for the roads in Hidden Shores West No. 1 located in Allendale Township and authorized the signatures of the Chairman and Managing Director, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Secretary Mikita reported on the following:

- 2017 State Trunkline Budget
- Salt purchases to date and related winter costs

Manager Laughlin reported on the following:

- Annual upcoming Engineering Conference
- Status of Township Officials meeting
- Polkton Township request for possible cost sharing of a local gravel program
- Meeting held with MDOT Officials regarding the Maintenance Contract
- January newsletter review
- "Understanding" pamphlets

Commissioner Bird moved to elect Commissioner Elhart as Chairman and Commissioner Miedema as Vice-Chairman for 2017, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Commissioner Gajewski moved to appoint Commissioner Elhart to the Parks Commission Board for 2017, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

At 12:03 P.M., Commissioner Elhart temporarily adjourned the meeting to take up the Public Utilities agenda.

At 12:30 P.M., Commissioner Elhart reconvened the meeting.

Commissioner Gajewski moved to go into closed session for employee evaluation, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

At 1:30 P.M., Commissioner Gajewski moved to rise from closed session, seconded by Commissioner Grifhorst and carried as shown by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Commissioner Bird moved to adjust the Managing Director's salary by 3% effective January 15, 2017, seconded by Commissioner Miedema and carried.

Public Comment: None

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 P.M.