

MINUTES OF THE BOARD  
OF  
MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Paul Jefts, Randy Maxwell, and John Currie.

Members Absent: None

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Norm Turner

Administrative Staff Present: Joyce Randall, Managing Director, Mike Maneke, Superintendent, and Brooke Steiner, Clerk.

Minutes from September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2006 were approved as written.

Greg Erickson, Aetna Township resident, was present to discuss with the Board about having a private drive access off 4 Mile west of 230<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mr. Erickson stated the Building Department has already issued their permits and that their will be four lots using the private drive. Board advised it would be okay. No Action Required.

Maggie and Bob Fryover, Bernard and Joan Timmer, Carolyn Burden, Frank Walters, and Wendi Michalski, Maplewood Subdivision residents, were all present to discuss with the Board on what their options are for getting the streets of Maplewood Subdivision from private to public. Board advised them they had the following two options: 1) residents of the Maplewood Subdivision plat would need to hire an attorney and have the plat changed from private to public and then the Road Commission could maintain the streets; or 2) leave the plat as it is and they would have to hire a private company to come in and maintain the road for them. Board also stated that if the residents file a petition with the courts then the Road Commission could enter into a short term contract to maintain the streets of Maplewood Subdivision. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the estimate for 170<sup>th</sup> Avenue North of 3 Mile Road Seasonal Road upgrade in Deerfield Township. Board advised they could not participate at this time and have the property owner go to the Township and see if they will participate. No Action Required.

Joyce Randall, Managing Director, and Nick Petersen, Estimator/Field Inspector, wanted to clarify with the Board on what to do with gates that were placed across the road right-of-way. Ms. Randall stated there are two possible options: 1) leave the gate in place and give up jurisdiction to the road right-of-way; or 2) have the property owner remove the gate. Board advised they would need to look at each individual situation and make a decision at that time. No Action Required.

Mike Maneke, Superintendent, updated the Board on 2006 projects as follows: 1) Wayne Schuberg, Contractor, is all done with his part on 120<sup>th</sup> Avenue North of 18 Mile Road in Grant/Chippewa Township. The Road Commission just needs to go in and do their part and the project will be complete; and 2) Lawrence Drive in Mecosta Township has been put on hold temporarily because the deed is still not signed. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the bid letting notice for Old US 131 in the Michigan Contractor and Builder Magazine. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the M-20 Turn back Proposal at Cady's Corner. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the correspondence from MDOT in regards to the Village of Stanwood's Meeting. No Action Required.

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Board reviewed the Seal Coat damage to 18 Mile Road from 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Costabella Road in Fork/Sheridan Township. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, stated she still has not heard back from the contractor. Board advised to give the contractor another call and if the Road Commission does not hear back from him then go to Verizon. No Action Required.

Joyce Randall, Managing Director, informed the Board that Holly Sterns, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, in regards to 225<sup>th</sup> South of 13 Mile Road in Big Rapids Township. Stated that she is not authorizing any work to be done to the road specified above. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the business after hours meeting set for October 19, 2006 at the Road Commissions Big Rapids Garage. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Accident Investigation Seminar on September 27, 2006. Board advised to have Mike Maneke, Superintendent, and Joyce Randall, Managing Director, attend. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Menards, 15 Mile Road; West of 215<sup>th</sup> Avenue and East of US 131 abandonment request. Board advised to remove the right turn arrow sign and have Menards petition to have the road abandoned. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the incident/accident report. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the return to regular work schedule. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Correspondence from Contech Bridge Solutions, Inc. in regards to their seminar on October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 2006. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Saginaw County Road Commissions annual report. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the 2007 concrete certification program. No Action Required.

Mike Maneke, Superintendent, informed the Board of the following items: 1) winter maintenance sand will start delivering on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006; and 2) Cliff Halliday, Halliday Sand and Gravel, will be starting to crush gravel in Bauman Pit. No Action Required.

Joyce Randall, Managing Director, informed the Board of the following items: 1) Public Hearing for Driveway Policies is scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at the regular scheduled day meeting. No Action Required.

Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to approve voucher 9/26/2006 for payment in the amount of \$28,771.53. Roll Call Vote of (3) yeas, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.