

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS

555 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Minutes of October 1, 2019

Board Present: Road Commissioners Doug Fuller, Barbara Fuller, Rod Green (arrival approx.. 1:25p.m.)

Staff Present: S. Siddall, J. Harmon, M. MacDonell, C. Ryan, E. Kizer, A. Berkholz

Others Present: D. Busscher, Rep. Yousef Rabhi, R. Jamnick, B. Day, D. Ulrich

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Douglas Fuller, Chair. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RC19-329 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded, to approve the agenda as presented. Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES

RC19-330 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded, the Board hereby approves the Board Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2019 as presented. Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

RC19-331 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded, the Board hereby approves the Board Executive Session Minutes of September 17, 2019 as presented. Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

WCRC 100th ANNIVERSARY TRIBUTE – STATE REPRESENTATIVE YOUSEF RABHI

State Representative Yousef Rabhi presented the Washtenaw County Road Commission with a 100 Year Special Anniversary Tribute Resolution. Rep. Rabhi thanked the Road Commission for its public service to Washtenaw County and coming up with creative ways to generate additional funding options such as road millages.

PUBLIC COMMENT**Delhi Court Roadside Mowing**

Mr. Dick Ulrich asked why there has been no roadside mowing along Delhi Court.

Rawsonville Road Culvert

Mr. Burt Day asked why the swale has not been cleaned out on Rawsonville Road.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

RECEIVED: September 23, 2019
FROM: Jim Opfermana
WHY: Thank you to Jim Harmon, Director of Operations and Ken Harris, Superintendent, for listening and having concerns addressed regarding flooding and picking up trash near his property on Bemis Road.

ISSUED: September 23, 2019
WHY: Construction information meeting of the intersection improvement project at Pontiac Trail and 7 Mile Road
WHERE: Salem Township Hall
TOWNSHIP: Salem
WHEN: Wednesday, October 9, 2019
CONTACT: Mark McCulloch, Senior Project Manager

ISSUED: September 23, 2019
WHY: Limestone re-surfacing project
WHERE: Merkel Road between Zeeb Road and Walsh Road
TOWNSHIP: Webster
WHEN: Tuesday, September 24, 2019
CONTACT: Adam Lape, Superintendent

ISSUED: September 17, 2019
WHY: Non-motorized bridge delivery
WHERE: Huron River Drive between Mast Road and Zeeb Road
TOWNSHIP: Scio
WHEN: Wednesday, September 18 and Thursday, September 19, 2019
CONTACT: Michele Ford, Project Manager

ISSUED: September 16, 2019
WHY: Pavement repairs
WHERE: Intersection of Moon Road and Bemis Road
TOWNSHIP: York & Pittsfield
WHEN: Tuesday, September 17, 2019
CONTACT: Mike Bernbeck

RECEIVED: September 12, 2019
FROM: Chuck Tellas, York Township Supervisor
WHY: Thank you to WCRC staff and road crews for the substantial savings between the estimated and actual costs for the projects selected in York Township.

CONSENT AGENDA

The items approved on the Consent Agenda are as follows:

RC19-332 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded the approval of the Consent Agenda for October 1, 2019 as presented. Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

Retirement Resolution of Public Service – Kelly R. Gingras

RC19-333 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded

WHEREAS, Kelly R. Gingras has served as a valuable, full-time employee of the Washtenaw County Road Commission from November 10, 1997 through September 30, 2019; and has elected to retire on September 30, 2019 to enjoy time with his family and friends; and

WHEREAS Kelly R. Gingras has provided 22 years of knowledge and experience as a Heavy Truck Driver and Heavy Equipment Operator, which has greatly benefited the Road Commission, the citizens of Washtenaw County and the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, in having provided 22 years of faithful and valuable service to the Washtenaw County Road Commission, his presence will be greatly missed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Washtenaw County Board of Road Commissioners, do hereby acknowledge and commend Kelly R. Gingras for his dedicated service, and wish him continued good health, happiness, and success in all his future endeavors.

Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

Ann Arbor-Saline Road Improvements – Construction Bid

RC19-334 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded that upon the recommendation of the Director of Engineering/ County Highway Engineer and the concurrence of the Managing Director, the Board hereby accepts the low bid and authorizes the Managing Director to sign the contract with Fonson Company, Inc to complete the Ann Arbor-Saline Road Improvements in Sections 13 and 14 of Lodi Township and Sections 6 and 7 of Pittsfield Township.

Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

Swift Run Drain Agreement

- RC19-335 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded that upon the recommendation of the Director of Engineering/ County Highway Engineer and the concurrence of the Managing Director, the Board hereby approves the Agreement with Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner, the City of Ann Arbor, and Pittsfield Charter Township for the Swift Run Drain project located in Ann Arbor Township and authorizes the Chair and the Managing Director to sign said Agreement. Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

2019 Webster Township Third Agreement

- RC19-336 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded that upon the recommendation of the Director of Operations, and the concurrence of the Managing Director, the Board hereby approves and authorizes the Chair and the Managing Director to sign the 2019 Webster Township Third Agreement with the Township's estimated share being \$48,700.00. Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

Overband Crack Fill Bid Extension

- RC19-337 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded that upon the recommendation of the Director of Operations and the concurrence of the Managing Director, the Board approves the option of extending the bid for overband crack filling as submitted by National Highway Maintenance Systems, PO Box 5315, Akron, OH 44334 for 2020. Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

Mineral Well Brine Bid Extension

- RC19-338 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded that upon the recommendation of the Director of Operations and the concurrence of the Managing Director, the Board hereby approves the option of extending the bid for mineral well brine as submitted by Chloride Solutions, LLC, 672 North M-52, Webberville, MI 48892 for 2020. Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

2020 Capital Equipment Purchase – Gradall XL 4100

- RC19-339 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded that upon the recommendation of the Director of Operations, and the concurrence of the Managing Director, the Board hereby approves the purchase from AIS Construction Equipment, 3600 North Grand River Avenue, Lansing, MI 48906 through the Sourcewell Contract for the purchase of one (1) new 2020 Gradall XL4100 6x4 Hydraulic Excavator for a total cost of \$411,047.20. Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

Payroll & Bills for September 18, 2019

RC19-340 B. Fuller moved, D. Fuller seconded the Board hereby approves Voucher 10368 totaling \$293,239.20 for payroll of September 18, 2019, and Voucher 10369 totaling \$2,501,029.96 in payment of bills for September 18, 2019. Voice Vote: YEAS: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

REPORTS**COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT**

No report.

ROAD COMMISSIONER REPORTS

No Commissioner reports.

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT**Sheryl Siddall, Managing Director**

9/19 Sheryl attended the Roads Funding Sub-Committee meeting and the Board of Commissioners Working Session that evening discussing the WCRC structure.

11/21 There will be a Board of Commissioners Working Session with the road millage on the agenda.

OPERATIONS REPORT**Jim Harmon, Director of Operations**

- Jim Harmon provided a review of the Operations project work list.
- We are taking final delivery of winter salt, finishing up 5,000 tons to the main yard. The other yards have received winter salt deliveries.
- Dry Run Schedule – has been completed and will begin next week through the end of October.
- Staff has done some financial analysis on primary road investments to add some late season work to the work program.
- The culvert at Saline-Human Road/Maple Road has been installed.

FINANCE & IT REPORT**Dan Ackerman, Director of Finance & IT****Finance Report**

- The Michigan Transportation Fund Receipts are up about 8% for 2019. MDOT processed the August MTF early in case there was a state government shutdown.
- Dan has worked on revising the federal aid spreadsheet to improve the budget process.
- Staff is working on the 2018 OPEB.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Matt MacDonell, Director of Engineering

- Matt provided a review of the Engineering Project List.
- Grove Road is ready for concrete work and paving through our county-wide paving contract.
- Ridge Road/Hack Road – concrete work has been completed.
- Five Mile Road/Chubb Road – paving has been delayed 1-2 days due to wet weather conditions.
- Saline-Milan Road Bridge – is progressing well. Crews are installing the block retaining wall south of the bridge. This project is on schedule to open Saline-Milan Road by the end of October.
- There will be a brainstorming session on Friday, October 4th at the Ypsilanti Township Library for the US-12 Improvement Project.
- There will be a Public Information Meeting at the Salem Township Hall on Wednesday, October 9th for the Pontiac Trail/Seven Mile Road Road about project.
- There will be a Public Information Meeting on October 15th at WCRC on Zeeb Road for the Miller Road project.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RC19-341 D. Fuller moved, B. Fuller seconded to enter Executive Session at approximately 1:28 p.m. to discuss Mote, et al in City of Chelsea.

ROLL CALL VOTE:
 YEAS: D. Fuller, B. Fuller, R. Green
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None
 Motion Carried.

RC19-342 R. Green moved, B. Fuller seconded to exit Executive Session at approximately 1:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:
 YEAS: D. Fuller, B. Fuller, R. Green
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None
 Motion Carried.

Mote, et al v. City of Chelsea, et al – Settlement Agreement

RC19-343 D. Fuller moved, B. Fuller seconded that upon the recommendation of the Managing Director, the Board hereby accepts and authorizes attorney Tom Derderian to sign the proposed Settlement Agreement on behalf of the Washtenaw County Road Commission, in the matter of Mote, et al v. City of Chelsea, et al, Case Number 2:16-cv-11546-DML-EAS, before the Honorable David M. Lawson to resolve matters related to the Americans with Disabilities Act.
Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

RC19-344 R. Green moved, B. Fuller seconded to adjourn the October 1, 2019 meeting at 1:41p.m. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

Douglas L. Fuller, Chair

Cheryl Federholm Siddall, Deputy Clerk

Motion Approved: _____

