

HILLSDALE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION  
May 4, 2022  
MINUTES

Meeting was called to order by Chair Bob Godfrey on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at the road commission office.

Members present: Bob Godfrey, Mike Parney & Gary Leininger.

Staff present: Marilyn Kilpatrick, Clerk.

Visitors present: Doug Ingles, County Commissioner.  
Don Hobbs.  
Nicholas Bentley.  
Karla Adams.  
Lisa Wallace.  
Mark Nichols.  
Chris Smith.  
Chris Myers.

**Agenda Approved**

Having reviewed the agenda for this date, two additions were requested. The chair declared the agenda to stand approved as revised.

**Limited Public Comment**

At 10:05 a.m., the chair opened the meeting to limited public comment. Commissioner Ingles discussed the public hearings that were held regarding adding two commissioners and the county taking over the road commission. Karla Adams addressed the vehicle accident that occurred in 2020. Don Hobbs addressed the admin bonus that was given to the non-association employees.

**Minutes Approved**

Having reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2022 regular meeting, there were no additions, deletions or corrections to be noted. The chair declared the minutes to stand approved as presented.

**Treasurer's Report Presented**

The treasurer's report was presented by the clerk as follows:

Beginning Balance-Cash & Investments	\$2,733,350.74
Receipts	\$ 0.00
Disbursements:	(\$ ) 0.00

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Ending Cash & Investments Balance \$2,733,350.74

Less: Bonds in Escrow (\$ 24,590.00)

CD reserved for 2 trucks (\$ 601,639.35)

Ending Available Fund Balance \$2,107,121.49

Note: Outstanding Accounts Payable = \$ 18,938.32

As there were no questions or comments regarding the report, the chair declared the report to stand approved as read.

**Discussion Followed on Various Subjects**

GPS Units – Units were reprogrammed 12 of them are not working. Have a appointment for them to come out and repair the units.

Montgomery Road Bridge – The pins need to be located for the beams. The beams will be set on Monday.

Salt Barn – Met with MDOT. Paperwork needs to be filled out and turned in for reimbursement.

Limestone – All of the limestone has been ordered for the current township agreements.

Lake Diane – Bob has contacted Michigan Paving regarding the bad spots.

Messages unanswered – Bob has called back all of the messages that have been left and not answered.

Milnes Road – Discussion followed on placing no passing signs and pavement marking near Houseknecht.

Work schedule – A work schedule for the next two weeks has been made, depending on weather.

Culverts – Inventory has been taken on the culverts and discussion followed on ordering them.

Crushing in our pits – Bob will work on getting bids.

**2022 ROAD BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE REVISED**

#22-048 Gary Leininger moved, Mike Parney seconded, to revise the 2022 regular board meeting schedule as presented: every other Wednesday at 10:00 a.m., until further notice. Carried. Copy attached.

**CLOSED SESSION RE: FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup> MOSCOW TOWNSHIP FIRE INCIDENT**

#22-049 At 11:06 a.m., Gary Leininger moved, Mike Parney seconded, to go into closed session to discuss the fire incident in Moscow Township on February 12th. Carried.

**Regular Session Reconvened at 11:26 a.m.**

At 11:26 a.m., the chair reconvened the regular session.

**Limited Public Comment**

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Mark Nichols encouraged to see the progress at the road commission. He also addressed gravel road and cold patching.

Chris Meyers discussed bringing the townships in for a meeting. Gravel roads and GPS were also addressed.

Nick Bentley addressed Cellars Road.

Lisa Wallace addressed Lake Diane Cellars Road base and the Yost Road water issue.

Karla Adams addressed road commission policies.

Don Hobbs discussed an ongoing MIOSHA complaint.

Shaun Stukey addressed disks on graders and purchasing of a screener.

**CLOSED SESSION RE: STATUS OF LABOR CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS**

**#22-050** At 12:23 p.m., Gary Leininger moved, Mike Parney seconded, to go into closed session to discuss labor contract negotiations.

**Regular Session Reconvened at 1:26 p.m.**

At 1:26 p.m., the chair reconvened the regular session.

**Meeting Adjourned – 1:26 p.m.**

As there was no further business, the vice-chair declared the meeting adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

  
Chair

  
Clerk