

HILLSDALE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

December 2, 2021

MINUTES

Meeting was called to order by Chair Bob Godfrey on Thursday, December 2, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. at the road commission office.

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

Staff present: John Sanders, Manager & Marilyn Kilpatrick, Clerk.

Visitors present: Doug Ingles, County Commissioner.
Allan Andrews.
Howard and Norma Littin.
Glenn Frobels.
Steven Iles.

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. Allan Andrews addressed the board and manager regarding a cost for Wildwood Road. Manager advised that he is waiting on a cost for limestone. Mr. Andrews also advised that no progress has been made on Ridge Drive in the last three weeks.

Glen Frobels, Cambria Township Supervisor advised the manager and board that he will be attending road commission board meetings from now on. Discussion followed on how to resolve the drop on Cooper Road from the top of the road to the bottom of the ditch. Tree removal was also discussed.

Minutes Approved

Having reviewed the minutes of the November 18, 2021 regular meeting, there were no additions, deletions or corrections to be noted. The chair declared the minutes to stand approved as presented.

CONFIRMATION OF PAYROLL AS AUTHORIZED FOR PAYMENT BY THE STAFF

#21-105 Mike Parney moved, Gary Leininger supported, to confirm the regular payroll in the amount of \$86,022.55 per Payroll Check Registers dated 11/24/21 as authorized by the manager and the clerk. Motion carried.

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APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

#21-106 Bills in the amount of \$165,784.78 per Accounts Payable Check Registers dated 12/1/21 were presented for board approval. Gary Leininger moved, Mike Parney seconded, that these bills be allowed and orders drawn for the same. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report Presented

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

Beginning Balance-Cash & Investments	\$3,034,747.04
Receipts	\$ 222.22
Disbursements:	(\$ 251,807.33)
Ending Cash & Investments Balance	\$2,783,161.93
Less: Bonds in Escrow	(\$ 14,250.00)
CD reserved for 2 trucks	(\$ 600,000.00)
Ending Available Fund Balance	\$2,168,911.93
Note: Outstanding Accounts Payable = \$ 62,473.28	

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

Discussion Followed on the Progress of Road and Bridge Projects

Territorial Road Bridges Easement – manager was supposed to meet to get the signed easement.

Contact person was ill.

Montgomery Road Bridge – discussion followed about bidding process from MDOT.

Camden Road Bridge east of Gilbert will not be ready for the February letting.

Cambria Road south of Kercher – needed some attention. The grader was sent out with a load of gravel.

Discussion also followed on cleanup from the past storm.

Waldron Road Bridges – manager working on prep work.

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2022 ROAD BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE APPROVED

- #21-107 Mike Parney moved, Gary Leininger supported, to approve the 2022 regular board meeting schedule as presented: every other Thursday at 10:00 a.m., unless noted otherwise. Carried. Copy attached.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY INVOICE FROM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Discussion followed on whether or not to continue membership with the Economic Development.

- #21-108 Gary Leininger moved, Mike Parney seconded, to authorize the manager to pay the invoice from Economic Development. Carried.

BRUSH AND WEED CONTROL CONTRACT EXTENSION – THE DALTONS - INC APPROVED

- #21-109 Gary Leininger moved, Mike Parney seconded, to approve and sign a contract extension with The Dalton's to extend their 2021 bid price through the 2022 season for brush and weed control. Carried.

Safety Funds – Bankers Road, Moscow Road and Territorial Road

The manager advised the board that we have received safety funds for 2023 for Bankers Road, Moscow Road and Territorial Road. The project includes centerline painting, rumble strips and recessed wet reflective pavement markings.

Budget Hearing will be Held on December 16, 2021

The manager advised the board that our budget hearing will be held on Thursday, December 16th. A special meeting will be held before Thursday's meeting to review the budget and discuss labor negotiations. The association advised the manager that they will not be meeting with us today.

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE HOLIDAY HAMS FOR EMPLOYEES & RETIREES ATTENDING CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON ON DECEMBER 16, 2121

- #21-110 Mike Parney moved, Bob Godfrey seconded, to authorize the purchase of holiday hams for employees and retirees attending the Christmas Luncheon.

Yeas: Godfrey, Parney

Nays: Leininger

Carried.

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Limited Public Comment


Allan Andrews asked if the road commission rates gravel roads? The manager advised Mr. Andrews that we rate them and that he would get a copy for him.


Discussion followed on MTF Funds and how would a township know if they are getting their fair share. The manager advised that the townships are given the information at the annual township meetings.

Ms. Litten asked if we had heard back from our attorney regarding the stones on Ash-Te-Wette? The manager advised that the situation is on holding pending the attorney's findings.

Meeting Adjourned – 11:30 a.m.

As there was no further business, the chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.


Chair


Clerk