

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, May 28, 2014
4:30 p.m.**

Present: Mr. Gary Howell, Chairman; Mr. Dale Duckert, Vice Chairman; Mr. Michael Hemmingsen, Member
In Attendance: Ms. Linette Daily, Board Secretary; Mr. Erick Pearson, Managing Director; Mr. Ryan Doyle,
County Highway Engineer

Also in attendance: Mr. Destain Gingell, Mr. Charles Buckel, Mr. Paul Robbins, Mr. Zeb Schons

Mr. Gary Howell, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Lapeer County Road Commission Building. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

052814-096

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the agenda with the addition of TCO#2(15)2014 and the deletion of the Preliminary Engineering Contract for A Safety Improvement Project for Fish Lake Road from Daley Road to Mott Road with Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

052814-097

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for May 14, 2014. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS

052814-098

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve disbursements dated May 29, 2014 in the amount of \$283,670.04. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PROJECTS

Mr. Pearson gave an explanation of all of the projects listed for approval. Mr. Pearson went on to state that the projects to be approved today total \$729,322.00 and the Townships need to be commended for their contribution to the local road system. Mr. Pearson explained that this amount is extraordinary.

052814-099

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the following projects:

Almont Township

504 001 143000 Ditch 750' on Shoemaker Road between General Squier and Tubsprings on the West Side. Grade and level in farmer's field. Seed and Mulch. Estimated Cost: \$3,750.00/\$1,875.00 Allocation/\$1,875.00 Township

504 001 143001 Ditch 850' Kidder Road between Dryden and Hollow Corners on the East Side. Grade and level in farmer's field. Seed and Mulch. Estimated Cost: \$4,250.00/\$2,125.00 Allocation/\$2,125.00 Township

504 001 143003 Ditch 350' on Bordman Road between M-53 and Sandhill, cut trees and pull stumps on the South Side, to culvert. Seed and Mulch. Property owner will supply the culvert. Estimated Cost: \$3,420.00/\$1,750.00 Allocation/\$1,750.00

Dryden Township

489 007 143600 6,000 Ton Limestone-Hauled/Spread/Leveled/Brined, With 5,000 to be spread on Hollow Corners between Rochester and Mill Roads and 1,000 Ton to be spread on various other local roads
Estimated Cost: \$95,580.00 Township

504 007 143601 Replace 18"x40' Cross Culvert, Havens Road between Sutton and Hollow Corners Roads
Estimated Cost: \$2,100.00 Township

504 007 143602 Replace 36"x29' Cross Culvert with 36"x44', Thornville Road between Dryden and Hollow Corners
Estimated Cost: \$3,350.00 Township

504 007 143603 Ditching 1000' (500' on each side of road) Mill Road between Hollow Corners Road and Sutton Road
Estimated Cost: \$8,000.00 Township

504 007 143604 Replace 24"x35' Cross Culvert with 24"x42', North Mill Road, Just south of Sutton, Repaving will be an added cost, to be determined at time of replacement depending on how much asphalt needs to be removed. Estimated Cost: \$2,700.00 Township

Dryden Township

504 007 143605 Ditch south side of road, 350 feet, seed, straw mat and check dam ditch. Casey Road in from of Forrest Hall Park on Hill (12"x30' Drive Culvert extra, if needed) Estimated Cost: \$3,300.00

504 007 143606 Hemstead Road near address 5888 and 5895, Ditch west side 750 feet, cut trees, pull stumps, seed and mulch, straw mat; fix slope of east side. Estimated Cost: \$10,000.00 Township

504 007 143607 Hemstead Road at 5895, Install 18"x36' cross culvert, Seed, Mulch, and Rip Rap.
Estimated Cost: \$2,000.00 Township

489 007 143610 500 Ton Limestone, Hauled/Spread/Leveled/Brined, Casey Road, From Mill to the Top of the Hill. Estimated Cost: \$7,965.00 Township

504 007 143611 Hemstead Road, Tree Removal, Between Davison Lake and Jonathon Roads, To be Performed by Kappen Tree Service. Estimated Cost: \$2,000.00 Township

504 007 143699 Dust Control, 1 Application to be Applied by Road Maintenance.
Estimated Cost: \$11,561.94 Township

Elba Township

504 008 143700 Ditching, Cross Culverts and Drive Tube, 18"x60' Cross Culvert, 18"x40' Drive Tube, Lakewood Drive between Washburn and the Dead End Estimated Cost: \$5,100.00 Township

489 008 143701 Overlay Hunt Road between Golf and Lake Nepessing, To be Performed by Pyramid Paving.
Estimated Cost: \$96,092.21 Township

489 008 143702 Overlay on Lake Lapeer Drive, Island Point Drive and Sunset Circle South off Mitchell, To be performed by Pyramid Paving. Estimated Cost: \$115,047.75 Township

Elba Township

489 008 143703 Overlay Galway Bay and Erin-East off Bullock and South off Mitchell, To be Performed by Astec Paving Estimated Cost: \$67,315.50 Township

489 008 143704 Overlay on Pine Cone and Ta-Lor Drive East off Maple Leaf Road, To be performed by Pyramid Paving. Estimated Cost: \$47,544.50 Township

Hadley Township

489 010 143900 10,000 Ton 22A Gravel, Leveled and Brined, On Various Roads as Designated by Rick Brandt. Estimated Cost: \$92,000.00 Township

504 010 143901 Replace 18"x40' Cross Culvert, Hasler Lake Road between 3228 and 3229 located between Pratt and Stewart Estimated Cost: \$2,200.00

Lapeer Township

504 012 144100 Replace 12"x40' Cross Culvert and 12"x24' Drive Culvert, 400' Ditching and Cut Trees, Peppermill between Morris and Maple Grove. Estimated Cost: \$10,956.33 Township

Marathon Township

504 013 144200 Tile Barnes Lake Road west of Fostoria Road, 700' between hills. Estimated Cost: \$1,000.00 Township

489 013 144201 Haul, Level and Brine 6,000 Ton of Gravel on various roads determined by Township and Foreman, Piersonville Road, Klam north of Columbiaville, Howell and Aurand. Estimated Cost: \$60,600.00/\$16,626.24 Allocation/\$43,973.76 Township

504 013 144202 Tile on Howell Road from North Lake east towards Brunk Drive about 2,000 feet Estimated Cost: \$1,700.00 Township

504 013 144203 Tile Klam Road south of Hollenbeck Road 700'. Estimated Cost: \$1,000.00 Township

504 013 144204 Tile Klam Road north 1,000feet of Briggs and east on Briggs about 2,000 feet Estimated Cost: \$2,800.00 Township

504 013 144205 Tile on Wilson Road west of North Lake 4,400 feet. Estimated Cost: \$3,700.00 Township

Rich Township

489 018 144700 Load, Haul, Level, Brine Only/15,000 Ton Gravel- To be Spread on Various Local Gravel Roads Estimated Cost: \$58,500.00/\$28,635.98 Allocation/\$29,864.02 Township

504 018 144701 Replace Cross-Tube on Barnes Road, 1/8 mile from Willits Road, 18" x 36' Estimated Cost: \$1,890.00 Township

504 018 144702 Replace Cross-Tube on Dodds Road, 0.2 miles west of Silverwood Road, 36" x 40' Estimated Cost: \$2,900.00 Township

Motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Pearson explained that he advertised for bids to crush gravel in our Nolan Pit. Mr. Pearson stated that we only received one bid for the project. Brief conversation ensued.

052814-100

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the bid tabulation for Aggregate Production at Nolan Pit. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearson spoke briefly about his coordination with the County Press for an information section about roads.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Mr. Doyle stated that his first safety project began today on Hollenbeck Road with tree cutting. Mr. Doyle explained that this project is pretty straight forward and should move along quickly.

Mr. Doyle explained that he would be presenting a change order for the Lake Nepessing project as it came in \$125,000 lower due to work adjustments as a result of another project, so he would like to add an additional quarter mile to the project.

Mr. Doyle reported that he now has the Dryden Road progress schedule and is happy to report that the Rochester Road to the Village of Dryden section will be complete by the Fourth of July and the M-24 to the Village of Metamora will start after the Fourth of July. The projects should be complete within a month and a half.

Mr. Doyle explained that the Brocker Road Bridge originally had a five ton posting, but now was being recommended by the inspector to be closed. Mr. Doyle stated that there was a hole in the wheel path on the deck. Mr. Doyle stated that it could be plated, but the I-beam was half gone and the sheeting was gone as well. Mr. Doyle stated that he had talked to the Township Supervisor regarding the bridge being replaced and he indicated that they would most likely approve the replacement at their next meeting. Mr. Doyle reported that unfortunately, it will take six weeks to get the three sided arch culvert made by Jensen Bridge and Supply. Mr. Doyle added that we do have the DEQ permit, so there won't be any delay, once the arch culvert arrives. Mr. Doyle spoke about coming up with a temporary fix in order to keep the structure safe and possibly open it up again.

052814-101

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve TCO#2(15)2014 in accordance with Engineer's recommendation, that Brocker Road over the South Branch of the Flint River, between Blood Road and Gardner Road in Metamora Township be CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC. Motion carried.

Mr. Doyle then stated that he had received some additional information regarding the Imlay City Road Bridge over the Belle River Drain. Mr. Doyle reported that the bridge engineer has stated that he believes the DEQ will recommend a thirty-five to fifty foot bridge replacement due to the flow going against the bank as well as both abutments.

PUBLIC TIME

Mr. Paul Robbins, Scotts Company, 332 Graham Road, Imlay City, MI 48444

Mr. Robbins explained that as a result of the bridge posting on Imlay City Road, a quick math estimate of \$200,000 is predicted to be the impact that his company and the contracted trucking companies will incur due to the additional fuel and wear and tear on the trucks. Mr. Robbins reported that he has been talking with Ryan about this ever since he was notified of the possible posting, and understands the issue of safety, but is hopeful there can be a solution for his company.

Mr. Robbins spoke about a temporary fix that he has been told took place in the mid 90's. Mr. Doyle explained that he has been unable to find any good records prior to the federal bridge inspections which began in 1996. Mr. Duckert spoke about a dredging project that occurred years ago that may have been done to bring down the water level.

Mr. Robbins spoke about the chance that the bridge has the opportunity to be selected for funding for the 2017 call, and questioned the cost of a temporary fix in the meantime. Mr. Robbins also inquired about possible tax relief, and any additional information that he can take back to his corporate office. Mr. Doyle explained that he will submit the bridge application for the next call which is announced at the end of September, but we would not be able to make any improvements to the bridge prior to selection, as that would void the application. Mr. Doyle went on to state that a cost estimate for the temporary supports would not be available until after a design was prepared by an engineering firm, and the cost for this would be approximately \$5,000-\$6,000.

Mr. Duckert asked if there was some sort of emergency bridge fund for situations like this. Mr. Doyle explained that the Critical Bridge Fund is the funding mechanism, but the procedure does take a couple years to get a bridge funded, and only 10-12% of all bridges submitted get funded.

Mr. Duckert added that unfortunately, when the funding is available and the bridge is being replaced and closed, there will be no good route for traffic. Mr. Doyle agreed that this is a bad spot to detour traffic, because there are no Class A roads available.

Mr. Robbins inquired if using Dryden Road would be an option for the busiest time of year, the month of May and the first week of June, annually. Mr. Doyle stated that he may consider that if the Board would approve the haul route. Mr. Duckert stated that he would be concerned about the frost still coming out of the roads.

Mr. Pearson stated that the Road Commission could use bridge funds for part of the design cost. Mr. Robbins offered to split the cost with the Road Commission. Mr. Howell agreed with that offer.

Mr. Robbins explained that the upcoming season is actually a busier time for his company than the delivery of the product, as roughly 120,000 yards of raw material will be arriving from the north.

Mr. Hemmingsen asked Mr. Doyle to put together a cost sharing agreement for the Board to approve regarding the design of the temporary support for the Imlay City Road Bridge over the Belle River Drain.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Mr. Hemmingsen stated that he had attended the Region V Planning meeting and spoke briefly about the DEQ grant application for \$2 million for the bike path that is proposed to run from Wisconsin to Detroit. Mr. Hemmingsen stated that the trail will link into the Polly Ann Trail and north to the Southern Links Trail.

Brief discussion was held regarding the millage ballot proposal and the progress of the support the townships and villages are giving regarding the placement of the proposal onto the November ballot. Mr. Howell stated that the Downtown Development's ability to take part of the millage is a complicated issue and he will speak to them to ask that they agree not to capture the millage funds.

Mr. Howell declared the meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.