

Washtenaw County Board of Road Commissioners

555 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Minutes of February 4, 2020

Board Present: Road Commissioners Douglas Fuller, Barbara Fuller, Rodrick Green

Staff Present: S. Siddall, J. Harmon, D. Ackerman, B. Schlack, C. Ryan

Others Present: Sue Shink, County Commissioner, Ruth Ann Jamnick, County Commissioner, Lisa Moutinho, County Public Information Officer, B. Day, J. Foley, C. Bertcher

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RC20-033 R. Green moved, B. Fuller seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES

RC20-034 B. Fuller moved, R. Green seconded to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2020 as presented. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

RC20-035 B. Fuller moved, R. Green seconded to approve the Closed Session Minutes of January 21, 2020 as presented. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ann Arbor-Saline Road/Wagner Road Intersection Project

Mr. Jack Foley addressed the Board with concerns of intersection improvements being very close to his property and depreciation of the property value.

Rawsonville Road Flooding

Mr. Burt Day addressed the board regarding ongoing flooding issues by his property on Rawsonville Road. Mr. Day also asked about the lane striping at the traffic light at Rawsonville Road and Bemis Road.

COMMISSIONER AND STAFF FOLLOW UP TO PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Doug Fuller stated that the Water Resources Office is working on a solution to the Rawsonville Road flooding issue.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

ISSUE DATE: January 28, 2020
WHEN: Tuesday, January 28, 2020
WHERE: Marion Road between Macon Road and Johnson Road in Saline Township
WHY: Culvert replacement project – Marion Road Re-opened
CONTACT: Ken Harris, superintendent of maintenance (734) 327-6696, or via email at harrisk@wcroads.org

ISSUE DATE: January 23, 2020
WHEN: Monday, January 27, 2020
WHERE: Marion Road between Macon Road and Johnson Road in Saline Township
WHY: Culvert replacement project – Marion Road Closed between Macon Road and Johnson Road
CONTACT: Ken Harris, superintendent of maintenance (734) 327-6696, or via email at harrisk@wcroads.org

RECEIVED: January 22, 2020
FROM: Eileen spring, President/CEO – Food Gatherers
WHY: Thank you for WCRC food donation to Food Gatherers

CONSENT AGENDA

The items approved on the Consent Agenda are as follows:

RC20-036 R. Green moved, B. Fuller seconded the approval of the Consent Agenda for February 4, 2020 as presented. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

2020 CMAQ Project – MDOT Contract No. 19-5626

RC20-037 R. Green moved, B. Fuller seconded that upon the recommendation of the Director of Engineering and the concurrence of the Managing Director, the Board hereby approves and authorizes the Chair and Managing Director to sign the MDOT Agreement (Contract No. 19-5626) for the proposed 2020 CMAQ Project. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

Renewal and Restoration of the County Road and Non-Motorized Millage

RC20-038 R. Green moved, B. Fuller seconded that upon the recommendation of the County Highway Engineer/Director of Engineering and the concurrence of the Managing Director, the Board hereby requests the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners place renewal and restoration of the 4-year, 0.5 mill road levy before the voters of Washtenaw County at the August 4, 2020 primary election. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

Traffic Network Managed Services Provider (MSP) – Integral Blue

RC20-039 R. Green moved, B. Fuller seconded that upon the recommendation of the Director of Finance and IT and the Director of Engineering and the concurrence of the Managing Director, the Board hereby approves a traffic network MSP contract for 2020 with Integral Blue for a not to exceed amount of \$65,000. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

Payroll & Bills for January 22, 2020

RC20-040 R. Green moved, B. Fuller seconded the Board hereby approves Voucher 10386 totaling \$306,153.43 for payroll of January 22, 2020, and Voucher 10387 totaling \$3,210,660.09 in payment of bills for January 22, 2020. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

County Commissioner Sue Shink

No report.

County Commissioner Ruth Ann Jamnick

Commissioner Jamnick agreed with Mr. Burt Day on the flooding problems along Rawsonville Road. Commissioner Doug Fuller commented that the Water Resources Office is working on a solution to this flooding issue.

ROAD COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Barb Fuller attended the following meetings:

- 1/22 Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners meeting – A Public Hearing date was set for March 4, 2020 to receive comments on adding two additional Road Commissioners to the Board of County Road Commissioners.
- 1/29 Commissioner Fuller acknowledged a very good article in the Sun Times News with an interview with Doug Fuller, Commissioner Chair and Emily Kizer, Communications Manager.

Commissioner Rod Green:

Commissioner Rod Green attended the Executive Committee Board Meeting of SEMCOG on January 24th. There was a very good presentation from David Coulter, Oakland County Executive, who is in support of the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA).

Commissioner Doug Fuller:

Commissioner Doug Fuller attended the CRA Southeast Council Meeting at Calhoun County on Monday, February 3rd. The County Road Association Director presented activities in Lansing over the past two weeks regarding the proposed bonding for road funding which will only fund more heavily traveled state trunkline routes. There was discussion on annual township meeting formats. CRA has completed their move to their new office building in Lansing. MCRCSIF is exploring a new office location outside of Lansing.

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Sheryl Siddall, Managing Director

Chat with the Road Commission

Commissioner Rod Green and Sheryl Siddall, Managing Director, had very good discussions at the Chat with the Road Commission session prior to the Board Meeting with John Foley and Michael Vestergaard regarding the intersection project at Ann Arbor-Saline Road and Wagner Road and conversation with Corey Bertcher regarding speed limits on gravel roads. There will be follow up to these discussions.

FINANCE & IT REPORT

Dan Ackerman, Director of Finance & IT

Finance Report

- The 2019 financial audit is taking place with auditors on site.
- The Michigan Transportation Funds were up 62% in December 2019 compared to December 2018.

OPERATIONS REPORT

Jim Harmon, Director of Operations

- Jim Harmon reported that winter weather is forecasted for Wednesday night into Thursday this week. Final plans are being made on when crews will be called in.
- Yards 3 & 4 – water, insulation and furnace installation in the cold storage barns at these yards has been completed.
- A power gate is being installed at the Manchester yard with a prox card reader. This gate can be remotely opened thru the main yard to accept deliveries.
- The crews have completed replacement of five culverts.

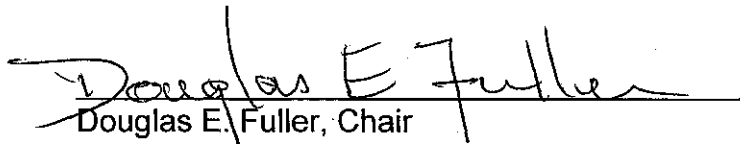
ENGINEERING REPORT

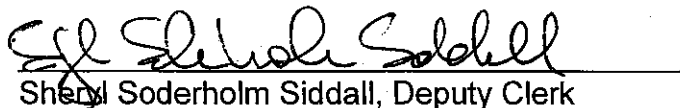
Brent Schlack, Assistant Director of Engineering

- We will be taking bids this Friday for the 2020 preventative maintenance projects.
- The 2020 CMAQ project will be bid out this Friday.
- Engineering is working on upcoming 2020 and 2021 projects.
- Cavanaugh Lake Road – we are still waiting on approval of the railroad permit.

ADJOURNMENT

RC20-041 R. Green moved, B. Fuller seconded to adjourn the February 4, 2020 meeting at 1:53 p.m. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.


Douglas E. Fuller, Chair


Sheryl Soderholm Siddall, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved: CER

