

Regular Meeting

April 6, 2022

Regular Session of the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held with Polycom access at 5:00 p.m.

The chairman of the board called the meeting to order and the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag was given.

Present: Commissioner Eric Shafer, Commissioner Rodney Chupp, Commissioner Jack Coleman, Commissioner Vince Mifsud, Commissioner David Miars, and Deputy Clerk Brittany Hinn

Staff Members Present: John Lindsey, Managing Director

Visitors: Robert Tomlinson, Three Rivers Commercial News
Don Stewart

Motion by Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Miars to approve the agenda and consent agenda and minutes of March 2, 2022, Work Session. Motion carried.

Citizens Comments: Don Stewart, friend of Jack's. We have been driving a lot and the roads look good.

Motion

Motion by Commissioner Chupp seconded by Commissioner Mifsud allowing Chairman Shafer to sign the Engagement Letter from Rehmann Robson for Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Change Order for estimated additional fees of Five hundred dollars and 00/00 (\$500.00) for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2021.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Shafer, Mifsud, Chupp, Coleman, Miars
Absent Abstained: Nays: Motion carried.

I, Brittany Hinn, Deputy Clerk of the Board of County Road Commission of the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy as recorded in the minutes of the meeting of April 6, 2022.

Brittany Hinn
Deputy Clerk

Commissioners Comments:

Miars: John have we heard anything from the county regarding the ARPA funds?

Coleman: John can you reach out to Garrett to get data on when Coon Hollow Rd was constructed and named? Vince and I have a meet and greet scheduled this weekend at the Dairy Bar to try to get word out to the public regarding road commission updates because we don't get people at the meetings.

Mifsud: Road ends at waters edge, we need to make the right decision here, so we don't waste money on a lawyer with the wrong knowledge.

Chupp: When you say widen Lutz Rd what do you mean? Gravel roads testimony- it really is all complaints or compliments. I was driving Roys Rd, it was graded nice and looked beautiful. While I was at an appt with my dad it rained. Its amazing how in about a half hour time span the road went bad fast. Its hard to maintain these gravel roads in the spring time. Tree trimming looks good, trees don't look butchered, good job to the guys. Discussing Nottawa Rd, its incredible how quickly the Amish tear up the roads. Indiana has patched these sections to keep the roads nice. We need to have a plan to repair these ruts left in the road from the horses. Our Amish population is not going anywhere. We may need to talk to Indiana to get ideas but we need to give it some thought.

Shafer: Phenomenal work by Garrett approaching 6 million in grants. Thank you Garrett. Thank you John and Jon R. for meeting with a neighbor regarding a situation with a gravel road. Great job dealing with the situation.

Meeting adjourned at 6:17 pm.

Eric B. Shafer, Chairman

Brittany Hinn, Deputy Clerk of the Board

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