

Work Session of the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held in the Board Room at the St. Joseph County Road Commission, 20914 M-86, Centreville, Michigan with Chairman Shafer calling the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

The Chairman of the Board called the meeting to order and the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag was given.

Present: Chairman Eric Shafer, Vice Chairman Rodney Chupp, Commissioner Vince Mifsud, Commissioner David Miars, Commissioner Jack Coleman, and Clerk of the Board Julie Mayuiers

Staff Members Present: Garrett Myland, Assistant Manager / PE
Nate Taylor, Director of Fleets & Facilities
Don Preston, Director of Operations
Brittany Hinn, Accounting Clerk

Visitors: Luis Rosado, SJC Commissioners
Robert Tomlinson, Three Rivers Commercial

Motion by Commissioner Mifsud seconded by Commissioner Coleman to approve the agenda of December 5 and the Minutes of November 20, 2024, Board Meeting.

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

Motion by Commissioner Chupp seconded by Commissioner Mifsud for Truck & Trailer Specialties to refurbish service truck #906300 in the amount of \$53,912.00 (Fifty Three Thousand Nine Hundred Twelve dollars and 00/00).

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Coleman, Miars, Chupp, Mifsud, Shafer
Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: None Motion carried.

I, Julie A. Mayuiers, Clerk of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of St. Joseph, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy as recorded in the minutes of the meeting of December 4, 2024.

Julie A. Mayuiers

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Clerk of the Board

MOTION

Motion by Commissioner Mifsud seconded by Commissioner Miars to amend the Recognition Award Policy of the St. Joseph County Road Commission as dated April 21, 2021.

A roll call vote was taken:
Aye votes cast: Coleman, Chupp, Miars, Mifsud, Shafer
Abstained: None Absent: None
Nay votes cast: None
Motion carried.

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MOTION

Motion by Commissioner Mifsud seconded by Commissioner Chupp to mark reviewed the Civility Policy of the St. Joseph County Road Commission as dated August 17, 2017.

A roll call vote was taken:

Aye votes cast: Miars, Chupp, Chupp, Mifsud, Shafer
Abstained: None Absent: None

Nay votes cast: None
Motion carried.

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MOTION

Motion by Commissioner Mifsud seconded by Commissioner Miars to approve as amended by removing the “beginning at age 40” of the Unlawful Retaliation in the Workplace Policy of the St. Joseph County Road Commission as dated October 30, 2002.

A roll call vote was taken:

Aye votes cast: Coleman, Chupp, Miars, Mifsud, Shafer
Abstained: None Absent: None

Nay votes cast: None
Motion carried.

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Citizens Comments: Luis Rosado inquired about increasing the % of paved roads in the county. He was told we need the funds to be able to maintain them and currently don't have extra funds for converting roads. Luis then asked if all villages receive RFT funds. He was told they can apply for them if they want to as long as they have at least one Federal road.

Commissioners Comments:

Rodney – Good to have the incoming law enforcement attend the Township Supervisors Dinner we held in November. He was planning to call the Sheriff's Department about people running the stop signs and the need for more patrols on major roads. We need more partnering with Sheriff's Department and villages/townships that we currently work good with.

Vince – He suggests Sherriff’s Department, Townships, Boards hold a yearly safety meeting to remind the Amish of safety issues while traveling on the roads in buggies, on bicycles and walking.

Coleman – He has the same comments as Rodney made. It was just tragic what happened to the 10 year old Amish boy this week.

Jack- Don and the guys did a great job over the weekend with the snow.

Dave - John, good job on your review, I missed that last meeting. It was well deserved. Guys did a super job with the snow over the weekend, appreciate it.

Eric- I think it would be good to have a safety topic at the next roads committee meeting. We did not discuss John’s contract (John - that will be at the next meeting). I encourage everyone to look at the budget before the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:38 am

Eric B. Shafer, Chairman

Julie A. Mayuiers, Clerk of the Board
