

EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

FEBRUARY 25, 2020

A regular meeting of the Eaton County Board of Road Commissioners was held at their office in Charlotte, Michigan on February 25, 2020.

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Vice Chairman Lamoreaux.

Members present: Commissioners Eldred, Frazier and Lamoreaux

Members absent: Commissioners Aitch-Guerrant and Lyons

Others present: Rob Sepeter, Scott Wilson, Blair Ballou, Matt Hannah and Patty Loosemore

Motion by Eldred and seconded by Frazier that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

The Vice-Chairman asked if the minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting were correct as presented. Motion by Eldred and seconded by Frazier to approve the February 11, 2020 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Rob Sepeter commented on a 400-foot stretch of Road North of Wilbur Highway that floods. He also voiced concern over the Columbia and Canal Flooding issue.

The following vouchers were presented:

a.) VO. 33 (02/13/20)	Accounts Payable	\$ 191,302.02
b.) VO. 34 (02/18/20)	Payroll	\$ 91,018.30
c.) VO. 35 (02/20/20)	Accounts Payable	\$ 112,988.97

Motion by Frazier and seconded by Eldred that the vouchers with total expenditures of \$395,309.29 be approved. Roll call vote: Ayes: Frazier, Eldred, Lamoreaux; Nays: None; Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Lyons. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Lambright driveway variance as presented by Assistant County Engineer, Mr. Hannahs. Motion by Frazier and seconded by Eldred to approve the Lambright driveway variance. Motion carried.

Assistant County Engineer, Mr. Hannahs presented information for roads within the Village of Shadow Glen Phase 5 and 6 condominium development. The roads within the Village of Shadow Glen are Yosemite Drive and Badlands Drive. It is the recommendation that said roads be accepted into the county road system by resolution.

Moved by Eldred, second by Frazier, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Statutes of the State of Michigan require all roads and streets eligible to become a part of the County Road System to be formally accepted by resolution of said Board; and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Transportation by virtue of Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as amended, requires proof of the acceptance of all roads subsequent to April 1, 1951, by said Board; and,

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WHEREAS, certain roads have been constructed or improved to meet the specifications and requirements of the Eaton County Board of Road Commissioners and have been approved by said Board;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Eaton County Board of Road Commissioners, that the following roads be adopted into the Local Road System of the County of Eaton and thereby become eligible for funds from the Michigan Transportation Fund as specified in Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as amended and supplemented:

The roads within the Village of Shadow Glen Phase 5 and 6 condominium development described as:

Yosemite Drive, from Village of Shadow Glen Phase IV to Badlands Drive for a distance of 142 feet, Section 9, Delta Township; and,

Badlands Drive, from Shadow Glen Plat Phase 5 to its end for a distance of 686 feet, Section 9, Delta Township.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Engineer-Manager, Mr. Ballou and Assistant County Engineer, Mr. Hannahs presented the final plat of Fieldstone Farms No. 5, noting that the plat is within the City of Grand Ledge so none of the streets will come under the jurisdiction of the Eaton County Road Commission and the Board's approval is required because roads within the plat abut roads under the road commission's jurisdiction. Assistant County Engineer, Mr. Hannahs noted that all required documentation and surety has been received and recommended that the Board adopt a resolution approving the final plat and the related street construction agreement and authorize the Chair to sign both.

The Board reviewed and discussed recommendations to approve the final plat of Fieldstone Farms No. 5. Motion by Eldred and seconded by Frazier to approve the final plat of Fieldstone Farms No. 5 as presented, authorizing the chair to sign both final plat and the related street construction agreement with directions to staff not to release final plat of Fieldstone Farms No. 5 documents until surety has cleared. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Local Road Heavy Maintenance Program as presented by Engineer/Manager, Mr. Ballou. Mr. Ballou recommends no changes to the program for the 2019-2020 year. Motion by Eldred and seconded by Frazier to approve the 2019-2020 Local Road Heavy Maintenance Program as presented. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the request by Engineer/Manager, Mr. Ballou for authorization to invoke, suspend, and rescind seasonal weight restrictions as necessary. Motion by Eldred and seconded by Frazier to authorize the Engineer-Manager to invoke, suspend and rescind seasonal weight restrictions as necessary. Motion carried.

Assistant County Engineer, Mr. Hannahs updated the Board on the Battle Creek project, Mt Hope Bridge project and The Michigan Ave project. He conducted interviews for Coop Students for 2020 last week.

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Engineer/Manager, Mr. Ballou updated the Board on Canal Road and Columbia Road. He provided information on area supervisor applications and a claim being handled by the Road Commission's insurance carrier.

Commissioner Frazier reported that the committee met to discuss Buggy safety issues at the Road Commission on Feb 18th at 6:00 p.m. He felt it was a very productive meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Road Commission office.

Second public comment: None

The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

Motion by Eldred and seconded by Frazier to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried.

Timothy J. Lamoreaux, Vice-Chairman

Patricia M. Loosemore, Clerk to the Board