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## WEXFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

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Regular Meeting

February 26, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Harry Hagstrom, at 7:30 a.m.

Roll Call: Present – Falan, Jurik, Hilty, Leggett, Hagstrom

Also Present:

Engineer/Manager: Karl Hanson

Finance and Business Manager: Annie Strom

Superintendent: Tim Schonert Asst. Superintendent: Brad Harris Fleet & Facilities Manager: Tim Coffel

Engineer Tech: Keith Moore

Visitor(s): Brian Potter

Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by Commissioner Jurik and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the January 29, 2025 meeting minutes as presented. Roll call on the motion: Motion approved unanimously.

Additions or Deletions to Agenda: none

Public Comment: none

County Board Liaison: Mr. Potter provided an update on the ROD stating the new software has been implemented and they are getting the documents loaded into the software and that the end is near.

Previous Business: none

New Business:

A motion was made by Commissioner Falan and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to extend the 2024 pavement marking pricing to the 2025 season to PK Contracting. Roll call on the motion: Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jurik and seconded by Commissioner Hilty to authorize the Engineer Manager to approve a 4-10 work schedule, starting and ending at his discretion. Roll call on the motion: Motion unanimously approved.

## Administrative Reports:

Mr. Coffel stated the shop has been catching up with maintenance and that the guys are doing a good job.

Mr. Harris commented that the crew had been plowing snow, but the end is in sight and with the warm up they have been cutting trees.

Mr. Schonert stated that Mr. Coffel has been a great addition and has shown he has great knowledge and believes he will be an asset.

Mr. Moore stated permits have slowed way down but there will be a fiber project this year for CAPS. He is still working with Cedar Creek on the Amish signage and commented that the Urban boundaries have changed, and that maps have been updated.

Ms. Strom commented that she has been working with IT on computer issues, keeping up with the ESTA changes and how to implement them with the software, gathering documentation for the union request in preparation for negotiation and has sent the first round of audit documents out.

Mr. Hanson introduced Mr. Coffel and gave kudos to Mr. Harris for stepping up during the transition of the Fleet & Facilities Manager. Mr. Hanson informed the board of the computer issues that have been ongoing and prompted calling in an electrician. He gave an update on ESTA and HB 4002. He spoke about the conceptual plans floating around for road funding. He discussed the roof above the parts room and how the snow falls in that area of the building and would like to see a change and move the electrical that is in that area. He spoke about a lawsuit impacting an employee with the Department of Agriculture and how it could potentially affect governmental employees in the future. He gave an update on the Amish signage and spoke about a request for TODD signage for the Boon Store.

## **Board Comments:**

Mr. Falan remarked that plowing was great this year and during his travels noticed a night and day difference between different counties. He welcomed Mr. Coffel.

Mr. Jurik welcomed Mr. Coffel and thanked the crew for plowing.

Mr. Leggett also welcomed Mr. Coffel.

Mr. Hagstrom commented he would re-iterated his esteemed colleagues' comments and would like to welcome Mr. Coffel

Payroll 2/6/2025 \$99,438.95 Payroll 2/20/2025 \$107,632.60 AP 2/10/2025 \$147,759.45

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

Harry Hagstrom, Chairman

Annie Strom, Finance & Business Manager