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# **WEXFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**

***OUR MISSION IS TO IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN A SAFE AND EFFICIENT ROAD SYSTEM***

## Regular Meeting

April 24, 2024

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 and Facilities Manager: Travis Smith  
Engineer Technician: Keith Moore  
County Board Liaison: Brian Potter

Visitor(s): Alan Mohler, Larry Paquette

### Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Jurik to approve the April 8, 2024 meeting minutes as presented. Roll call on the motion: Motion unanimously approved.

County Board Liaison: Mr. Potter updated the Board on the contested elected positions and informed them that Building Department Manager has resigned, and the Building Inspector will not be renewing their contract.

Previous Business: none

### New Business:

A discussion was initiated by Cedar Creek Township Supervisor, Larry Paquette, regarding brine funding and restrictions. He has spoken with representatives from EGLE and plans to meet with legislators. Mr. Hanson explained the brine process, alternatives that have been suggested to him and informed Mr. Paquette that CRA has been involved with legislators on the issue. Mr. Jurik commented that providing resident statements to the legislators may help convey the concern.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jurik and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to award the MDOT Roadside Park bid to low bidder AMC Services. Roll call on the motion: Motion unanimously approved.

A discussion took place regarding a Board Policy for Public Access to and Video Recording on Road Commission Property, that was drafted by MCRC SIP. Mr. Hanson explained the policy and reasons behind it. Mr. Hagstrom asked if the County had encountered this and if they have a policy; Mr. Potter stated they have had public in the Courthouse recording and do have a policy regarding the matter. The Board would like more information on the subject. No action taken.

**Administrative Reports:**

Mr. Moore gave an update on the DTE project, crackfill and chipseal work.

Mr. Smith stated the shop is prepping for brine and summer operations along with keeping spring equipment maintained.

Mr. Harris provided an update of the work performed by the crew; forest service project, roadside parks, brine, patching, mowing. He also stated they are continuing grader training, working with the beaver trapper and processing driveway permits.

Ms. Strom commented on the status of the audit.

Mr. Hanson spoke about the meeting he had with upper management of MDOT regarding different pavement maintenance techniques they could implement, stating there was a positive response. He also commented that the Visitor Bureau has launched a campaign to attract ATV/Side-by-Sides to the area. He noted there has been a significant change in damage to the roads this year from any years previous due to the use of ATV/Side-by-Sides and that townships have the authority to implement an ordinance. Having the USFS open the roads for this type of use combined with the campaign to attract them will continue to increase road damage and user conflict.

**Board Comments:**

Mr. Falan stated everything seems to be going really well and the minutes look good and concise.

Mr. Jurik said he has not heard any complaints, and everyone is doing a great job.

Mr. Leggett thanked the crew for working extra hours over the weekend and commented to Mr. Paquette he believes getting statements for the brine issue is a good plan.

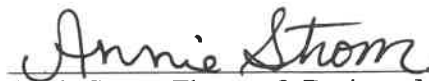
Mr. Hagstrom stated good job, no complaints.

Payroll 4/04/2024	\$ 80,137.53
Payroll 4/18/2024	\$ 70,587.04
AP 4/10/2024	\$ 364,813.08
AP 4/17/2024	\$ 968.00

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 a.m.



Harry Hagstrom, Chairman



Annie Strom, Finance & Business Manager