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WEXFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

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

Regular Meeting

September 24, 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
Assistant Superintendent: Brad Harris
Fleet & Facilities Manager: Tim Coffel
Finance and Business Manager: Annie Strom
Engineer Tech: Keith Moore

Visitor(s): Brian Potter

Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by Commissioner Hilty and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve August 27, 2025 meeting minutes as presented. Roll call on the motion: Motion approved, Falan, Hilty, Leggett, Hagstrom - ayes, Jurik- abstaining.

Additions or Deletions to Agenda: none

Public Comment: none

County Board Liaison: Mr. Potter commented he has been in contact with Legislators on the State budget, it is budget time at the County as well and inquired about the Haring water system that was damaged. A discussion was had about marking the water lines.

Previous Business: none

New Business:

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Hilty to award the 12 road culvert replacement bid to low bidder Zupin Crane. Roll call on the motion: Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jurik and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to award concrete floor bid to low bidder Yager Concrete. Roll call on the motion: Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jurik and seconded by Commissioner Hilty to award the electrical bid to low bidder Isenhart Electric. Roll call on the motion: Motion unanimously approved.

A discussion took place regarding the purchase of additional Western Star trucks because the road funding increase may be approved at the State. Mr. Hanson stated that Stoops will extend the bid price from the tandem drive truck chassis bid. A motion was made by Commissioner Falan and seconded by Commissioner Hilty to purchase three (3) additional tandem drive truck chassis from Stoops. Roll call on the motion: Motion unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hilty and seconded by Commissioner Jurik to authorize the manager to suspend weight restrictions for the Road Commission during the 2025-2026 winter operations for the roads under the jurisdiction of Wexford County Road Commission pursuant to MCL.257.722(9). Roll call on the motion: Motion unanimously approved.

Title VI training was provided by Ms. Strom.

Administrative Reports:

Mr. Moore gave an update on current and upcoming project status. Chipseal and fog process is finished, however the contractor could not complete roughly 20 miles of road, Paint has been put down, M55 mill and fill finished, culvert repair and guardrail replacement are in process, completed Pacer ratings.

Mr. Harris also gave an update on projects being completed by the crew. Hanover gravel project in progress, MDOT work completed for their fiscal year, Clay hauling for gravel production, move winter sand to the garage, finish touchup on Mr. Moore's projects, Clam Lake 50 Rd dirt project, fixing County turn arounds, brine application completed for the year, clean up clear visions. Mr. Harriss informed the board that the Broom was rear-ended again, and they have changed the process to help alleviate the amount of dust being produced. He also commented there has been an increase in graffiti at the roadside parks and bridges.

Ms. Strom has been working on the MDOT 2023 audit and interviews for Road Maintenance Workers

Mr. Hanson informed the board that our labor attorney has retired, and he is on the search for a new attorney. He has been handling complaints about ROW obstructions and has involved the motor carrier. He gave an update on the abandonment of a road near Round Lake. He also explained a potential new process upcoming for bridge inspection, if this happens MDOT will take over all bridge and load rating, which could have some impact on our bridges and will change the permit process for overload permits. He provided an update on the ongoing and newly introduced bills at the Legislative level. He also reminded the board that the administrative policy workshop meeting needed to be scheduled.

Board Comments:

Mr. Falan commented that he likes that we are staying ahead of things.

Mr. Jurik stated that he appreciates everything being done.

Mr. Hilty said it is good to have a great team.

Mr. Leggett commented thanks to all the crew and that he has heard good things about the Amish sign.

Mr. Hagstrom said he would re-iterate the previous comments and that everybody is doing a good job.

Payroll	9/2/2025	$81,245.93
Payroll	9/18/2025	$71,147.26
AP	9/11/2025	$198,626.90
AP	9/15/2025	$13,279.00

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 a.m.

Harry Hagstrom, Chairman

Annie Strom, Finance & Business Manager