

Mason, Michigan
March 1, 2010

The Board of Ingham County Road Commissioners met for a regular meeting on Monday, March 1, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Road Commission's Austin E. Cavanaugh Administration Building located at 301 N. Bush Street, Mason, Michigan.

Present: Joseph A. Guenther, Chair, Shirley M. Rodgers, Vice Chair, James G. Dravenstatt-Moceri, Member, Thomas M. Mitchell, Member, and Norman L. Gear, Member.

Also Present: William M. Conklin, Managing Director, Deborah L. Bellows, Secretary to the Board, Tina M. Henry, Finance Director, James M. Benjamin, Director of Operations, and Robert H. Peterson, Director of Engineering.

Others Present: Dale E. Arnett, former Eastern District Supervisor (ICRC), Will Comstock, Western District employee (ICRC), Daniel J. Troia, Design Engineer (ICRC), Lynne Page, Okemos resident, and Suzanna King, Okemos resident.

AGENDA ITEM #3 – LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT.

A. Lynne Page, 3912 Raleigh Drive, Okemos. Ms. Page stated she was present in her capacity as Chair of the Okemos High School Traffic Safety Committee to provide an update regarding the Jolly Road speed limit issue. She indicated the Meridian Township Board will be discussing this issue at its March 2, 2010, meeting and will be considering whether it will petition the Road Commission directly for a uniform speed limit of 45 mph on Jolly Road between Okemos Road and Hagadorn Road.

Ms. Page stated that volunteers have visited four dozen businesses along this section of Jolly Road to inquire about their opinions of lowering the speed limit along Jolly Road. None of them were aware of any recommendations being considered to raise the current 45 mph speed limit on a portion of Jolly Road east of Hulett to 50 mph and none were in favor of it. Many said that several of both their customers and employees have gotten into accidents in front of the business. When vehicles are slowed to turn into a business, oncoming speeding vehicles cannot stop, thus causing rear-end collisions.

Ms. Page stated that the Meridian Township Police Chief has said that enforcement of a lower speed limit will not be an issue. Chair Guenther asked the time of the Meridian Township Board meeting tomorrow. Ms. Page indicated 6:00 p.m. Chair Guenther stated he will be unable to attend.

B. Suzanna King, 2718 Loon Lane, Okemos. Ms. King said she echoed all of Ms. Page's comments and only wished to add that she lives in the subdivision across from the High School. She said she went door to door to all of her neighbors. Without exception, they all signed the petition to lower the speed limit to 45 mph the entire length of Jolly Road between Hagadorn Road and Okemos Road. Ms. King said that she and her neighbors are willing to do whatever they can to convince the Michigan State Police to lower the speed limit, they want to be proactive in this endeavor.

Ms. King stated that the owner of the Honda dealership stated they are worried every time a vehicle leaves their lot for a test drive, that it will get rear-ended somewhere along Jolly Road.

Chair Guenther reminded Ms. Page and Ms. King that the south side of Jolly Road is Alaiedon Township. Ms. Page said she attended the Alaiedon Township Board meeting last Monday. She said that Alaiedon Township residents and businesses are also in favor of lowering the speed limit and will be contacting the Township Board members. Chair Guenther asked if the Alaiedon Township Board indicated its position on the speed limit. Ms. Page said Board members were a bit confused, as they thought there was a unanimous consensus among the municipal entities for the speed limit to be placed at 50 mph between Hagadorn Road and Okemos Road. They are currently waiting for official notification from Meridian Township as to the Meridian Township Board's official position on the speed limit issue.

Ms. Page said she does not believe that Alaiedon Township officials have 100 percent agreed to the 45 mph speed limit yet.

AGENDA ITEM #4 – LATE ITEMS.

Managing Director Conklin stated he had one late item to add as #11B. The item is for a temporary recall in the OPEIU unit.

AGENDA ITEM #4 – CONSENT AGENDA.

Moved by Commissioner Rodgers and Supported by Commissioner Mitchell, that the following items be approved under consent:

- A. Agenda Item #5, Minutes.
- B. Agenda Item #6, Permits.
- C. Agenda Item #8A, Accounts Payable.
- D. Agenda Item #10A, Final Pay Estimate for Proposal #1547.

5 yes, 0 no. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 – Minutes.

Moved by Commissioner Rodgers and Supported by Commissioner Mitchell, that the minutes of the meeting of February 1, 2010, be approved as presented. 5 yes, 0 no. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #6 – Permits.

Moved by Commissioner Rodgers and Supported by Commissioner Mitchell, that the minutes of the meeting of March 1, 2010, be approved as follows:

10-0063	10-0064	10-0241	10-0058	10-0059	10-0060
10-0061	10-0062	10-0065	10-0066	10-0067	

5 yes, 0 no. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #8A – Accounts Payable.

Moved by Commissioner Rodgers and Supported by Commissioner Mitchell, that the accounts payable for the two week period of January 18-31, 2010, be approved as follows: check numbers #94592 through #94653, totaling \$72,879.12. 5 yes, 0 no. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #10A – Final Pay Estimate for Proposal #1547.

RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL PAY ESTIMATE AND ACCEPTANCE REPORT FOR PROPOSAL #1547 FOR THE 2009 PAVEMENT MARKING PROGRAM.

RESOLUTION #017-10

Moved by Commissioner Rodgers and Supported by Commissioner Mitchell. 5 yes, 0 no. Resolution carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Director of Engineering, the Board approves the Final Pay Estimate and Acceptance Report for Proposal #1547, for the 2009 Pavement Marking Program, as follows: Contractor: M&M Pavement Marking Inc., Contract Amount: \$328,850.00, Final Amount: \$292,581.54.

AGENDA ITEM #7 – MANAGING DIRECTOR REPORTS.

- A. The Board was given a brief update on the Cook & Thorburn Drain assessment appeal process.
- B. Director Conklin discussed the CRAM petition drive for a gas tax increase. He said he had the forms if the Board wishes to sign it.
- C. The Thomas J. Doyle Memorial plaque is scheduled for installation in the lobby on March 5th.
- D. Chair Guenther asked if staff had had the opportunity to look into the previous request for Railroad Quiet Zones. Director Conklin stated he had not done so as yet. Chair Guenther asked if he would take care of that before spring and report back to the Board. Commissioner Mitchell stated it is not a simple process, but there is a specified process of how this can happen. He said it will probably take several months to accomplish.

AGENDA ITEM #9A – AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1576.

Director of Operations Jim Benjamin reviewed his recommendation for award of Proposal #1576 for Asphalt Emulsions to Terry Materials of Alma, for its low bid price for the HFRS-2M material delivered to the job site; to Bit Mat Products of Bay City, for its low bid price for the SS-1h material; to Asphalt Materials of Oregon, Ohio, for its low bid price for HFRS-2 material delivered; to Terry Materials, for its low bid price for the AE-90 product delivered; and to both Bit Mat Products and Terry Materials as the two second low bidders for the AE-90 material picked up at the plant. Mr. Benjamin said that the low bidder for the AE-90 material picked up at the plant, Asphalt Materials, is too far away for economical pick up in Oregon, Ohio.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1576 FOR ASPHALT EMULSIONS.

RESOLUTION #018-10

Moved by Commissioner Mitchell and Supported by Commissioner Dravenstatt-Moceri. 5 yes, 0 no. Resolution carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Director of Operations, the Board authorizes award of Proposal #1576 for Asphalt Emulsions, as follows: to Terry Materials of Alma, for its low bid price for the HFRS-2M material delivered to the job site; to Bit Mat Products of Bay City, for its low bid price for the SS-1h material; to Asphalt Materials of Oregon, Ohio, for its low bid price for HFRS-2 material delivered; to Terry Materials, for its low bid price for the AE-90 product delivered; and to both Bit Mat Products and Terry Materials as the two second low bidders for the AE-90 material picked up at the plant. The low bid of Asphalt Materials of Oregon, Ohio, is rejected for the AE-90 material picked up at the plant because it is too far away for economical pick up in Oregon, Ohio.

AGENDA ITEM #9B – AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1577.

Operations Director Jim Benjamin reviewed his recommendation for award of Proposal #1577 for 29A Slag and Natural Aggregate to the low bidder in both categories, Sunrise Aggregates of Dansville.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1577 FOR 29A SLAG AND NATURAL AGGREGATE.

RESOLUTION 019-10

Moved by Commissioner Dravenstatt-Moceri and Supported by Commissioner Mitchell. 5 yes, 0 no. Resolution carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Director of Operations, the Board authorizes award of Proposal #1577 for 29A Slag and Crushed Natural Aggregate to the low bidder in both categories, Sunrise Aggregates of Dansville. The cost of 29A Slag, delivered, is bid at \$17.65 per ton and the cost of Crushed Natural Aggregate, delivered, is \$15.45 per ton.

AGENDA ITEM #9C – AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1578.

Operations Director Jim Benjamin reviewed his recommendation for award of Proposal #1578 for corrugated steel pipe to the low bidder Contech Construction Products of Mason for its overall low bid prices for pipe and connecting bands.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1578 FOR CORRUGATED STEEL PIPE.

RESOLUTION #020-10

Moved by Commissioner Gear and Supported by Commissioner Dravenstatt-Moceri. 5 yes, 0 no. Resolution carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Director of Operations, the Board authorizes award of Proposal #1578 for Corrugated Steel Pipe and connecting bands, to the low bidder, Contech Construction Products of Mason for its overall low bid prices for steel pipe and connecting bands.

AGENDA ITEM #9D – REJECTION OF BIDS RECEIVED FOR PROPOSAL #1579.

Operations Director Jim Benjamin reviewed his recommendation to reject the one and only bid received for Proposal #1579 for bituminous surfacing mixture because staff wishes to re-bid this material to see if a wider range of competitive bids can be received by re-bidding. This is for plant pick up of asphalt applied by our own forces.

RESOLUTION REJECTING BIDS RECEIVED FOR PROPOSAL #1579 FOR BITUMINOUS SURFACING MIXTURE.

RESOLUTION #021-10

Moved by Commissioner Mitchell and Supported by Commissioner Rodgers. 5 yes, 0 no. Resolution carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Director of Operations, the Board rejects the one and only bid received for Proposal #1579 for Bituminous Surfacing Mixture and authorizes the Proposal's re-bid for a later date.

AGENDA ITEM #9E – AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1580.

Director of Operations Jim Benjamin reviewed his recommendation for award of Proposal #1580 for Corrugated Polyethylene Pipe and connecting bands, to Advanced Drainage Systems of Owosso for its overall low bid prices. Mr. Benjamin said he would also recommend award to Sunshine Products of Dansville on an as-needed basis for specific projects where it would be more economical to purchase certain pipe sizes locally.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1580 FOR CORRUGATED POLYETHYLENE PIPE AND CONNECTING BANDS.

RESOLUTION #022-10

Moved by Commissioner Mitchell and Supported by Commissioner Gear. 5 yes, 0 no. Resolution carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Director of Operations, the Board authorizes award of Proposal #1580 for Corrugated Polyethylene Pipe and connecting bands to Advanced Drainage Systems of Owosso for its overall low bid prices; and awards to Sunshine Products of Dansville on an as-needed basis for specific projects where it would be more economical and cost efficient to purchase certain pipe sizes locally.

AGENDA ITEM #9F – AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1581.

Operations Director Jim Benjamin reviewed his recommendation for award of Proposal #1581 for Liquid Calcium Chloride Solution. He recommended rejection of the apparent low bid from S and M Liquid Tire Fill because they use oil well brine. Mr. Benjamin said he would recommend award to the second low bidder,

Michigan Mineral Resources of Albion. This company uses mineral well brine and has done an excellent job for the Road Commission the last two years.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1581 FOR LIQUID CALCIUM CHLORIDE SOLUTION.

RESOLUTION #023-10

Moved by Commissioner Gear and Supported by Commissioner Dravenstatt-Moceri. 5 yes, 0 no. Resolution carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Director of Operations, the Board authorizes award of Proposal #1581 for Liquid Calcium Chloride Solution to the second low bidder, Michigan Mineral Resources of Albion. The Board rejects the low bid from S&M Liquid Tire Fill because they use oil well brine, which is lower in actual calcium chloride content and higher in toxins than mineral well brine and it did not meet Road Commission specifications.

AGENDA ITEM #10B – AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1574.

Director of Engineering Bob Peterson reviewed his recommendation for award of Proposal #1574 for Steel Sign Posts. During the last Board meeting, there was discussion relative to whether the contract could be awarded to the second low bidder to keep the Road Commission's purchases local and contribute to the area's economic recovery. Award was tabled so that staff could research the Road Commission's bidding procedures and the sign post proposal and report back so that award could be considered during the next Board meeting. Mr. Peterson stated that based on the proposal and bidding procedures language, and the Board's desire to award supply contracts to local companies, he recommended award of this proposal to the second low bidder, a local vendor from Charlotte.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF PROPOSAL #1574 FOR STEEL SIGN POSTS.

RESOLUTION #025-10

Moved by Commissioner Rodgers and Supported by Commissioner Mitchell. 5 yes, 0 no. Resolution carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Director of Engineering, the Board authorizes award of Proposal #1574 for Steel Sign Posts to the second low bidder, Dornbos Sign, for its unit price of \$1.63 per foot.

AGENDA ITEM #10C – PETITION FOR ABANDONMENT OF ALLEY IN LANSING TOWNSHIP.

Director of Engineering Bob Peterson stated a Petition for Abandonment has been received asking for the abandonment of an alley that was dedicated to the use of the public in 1950 as part of the Grand River Terrace Plat. The plat is north of Grand River Avenue and west of US-127, between Howard Street and Foster Avenue, adjacent to the Michigan Miller's Mutual Insurance property. The petitioner has supplied a number of drawings and pictures that depict the alley's location and character. Mr. Peterson said he also attached a copy of the plat for Board reference.

Mr. Peterson said the 18 foot wide alley is a total of 456.6 feet in length, but the applicant is only asking that the east 150 feet be abandoned. Presently, the alley is part of a circular drive that proceeds due east from Downer Street, turns southerly at the east property line of Amber Square Townhomes, then proceeds due west along the north side of Grand River Avenue back to Downer Street. Garages, carports, and perpendicular parking line the entire length of the alley right of way.

Mr. Peterson continued that the Road Commission does not certify the right of way and, therefore, does not collect Act 51 money for it. For all intents and purposes, the right of way is a paper road that has a driveway located within in. Mr. Peterson said he spoke to the applicant and asked that they consider requesting abandonment of the entire alley, but was told that the western portion of the alley was used to access two different apartment complexes, owned by different entities. After considering the request to abandon the entire alleyway, the applicant declined.

Mr. Peterson indicated the petition contained 13 freeholder signatures. Eight of the freeholder signatures represented partnerships or limited liability companies. Seven of those signatures, which represented seven different parcels, are from two people. He said he questioned whether the statute considered valid, multiple signatures from the same person, representing different parcels of land. Mr. Peterson said that upon consulting with legal counsel, Larry Salstrom, it was determined that multiple signatures are valid as long as the person was the owner of record or authorized to sign for the partnership or limited liability company that owned the parcel. Mr. Peterson said he requested, and received, documentation that verified the signatures were valid ones.

Mr. Peterson stated that based on his review of the request for abandonment, he believes the 18 foot by 150 foot alley is not longer needed for public access and recommended approval of the abandonment by the Board.

Commissioner Rodgers stated she used to live in this area and is familiar with the alley. She said the people do use it for access in and out. She asked if the abandonment would preclude residents from the complexes from using the alley. Mr. Peterson said yes the potential is there, depending on what the owners do with it, but the residents may not have a portion of the circular drive to use anymore.

RESOLUTION APPROVING ABANDONMENT OF ALLEY RIGHT OF WAY IN SECTION 11 OF LANSING CHARTER TOWNSHIP LOCATED WITHIN THE GRAND RIVER TERRACE PLAT.

RESOLUTION #025-10

Moved by Commissioner Mitchell and Supported by Commissioner Dravenstatt-Moceri. 5 yes, 0 no. Resolution carried unanimously.

WHEREAS, the Board of Ingham County Road Commissioners has been petitioned by seven or more freeholders of the Charter Township of Lansing to abandon and discontinue the alley right of way located in Section 11 of Lansing Charter Township within the plat of Grand River Terrace; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert H. Peterson, Director of Engineering for the Ingham County Road Commission viewed the premises described in the request for abandonment as to the advisability of absolutely abandoning and discontinuing the alley right of way described; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Ingham County Road Commissioners has determined it to be in the best interest of the public that said alley right of way be absolutely abandoned and discontinued.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the alley right of way located in Section 11 of Lansing Charter Township, and located within the plat of Grand River Terrace, Ingham County, Michigan, is described more specifically as:

Beginning at the Northeast corner of Lot 1 Grand River Terrace Subdivision as recorded in Liber 15 of Plats, Page 13, Ingham County Records; thence S89°00'00"W along the North line of said Lot 1, a distance of 150.00 feet; thence N00°30'W 18.00 feet to the Southwest corner of Outlot B, Grand River Terrace No. 1 as recorded in Liber 17 of Plats, Page 45, Ingham County Records; thence N89°00'00"E along the South line of said Outlot B 150.00 feet; thence S00°30'E 18.00 feet to the point of beginning.

SHALL HEREBY NOW BE ABSOLUTELY ABANDONED AND DISCONTINUED; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the alley right of way described herein be absolutely abandoned and discontinued upon the condition that the title and/or easements to all water lines, sanitary sewers, storm sewers, county drains, gas, electric and communication poles, wires, pipes, conduits, cables, appurtenances and facilities, if any are in, under or over said portion of the alley right of way, are reserved to and shall remain in the respective owners thereof; and/or with an easement and continued right to occupy said alley right of way thereof for public utility purposes with present and additional facilities and to operate, maintain, repair, replace or remove the same to the same effect and in the same manner as if said alley right of way had remained a public way.

AGENDA ITEM #10D – COMMERCIAL DRIVEWAY SPACING VARIANCE REQUEST.

Director of Engineering Bob Peterson stated a site plan has been submitted with the intent of construction of a 3,000 square foot convenience store within a vacant parcel in the southwest quadrant of Aurelius Road and Willoughby Road. The owner of the property is Mr. Ehssan Jedeon, who was present for this discussion, has proposed that two driveways be installed to access the convenience store. One off of Aurelius Road and one off of Willoughby Road.

Mr. Peterson said there are two criteria in the Road Commission's driveway guidelines that are looked at when reviewing proposed commercial driveway locations. One is the Rule 3.6 for Commercial Driveway Spacing, and the second is Rule 3.8 for Corner Clearance. He pointed out that the parcel is nearly square and only an acre in size. No matter where a driveway is proposed to access the parcel, a variance of either Rule 3.6 or Rule 3.8 will be required. Staff would prefer the developer provide the required corner clearance as opposed to the required commercial driveway spacing.

Mr. Peterson stated there is also a concern about the original driveway configuration (recently revised) proposed off of Willoughby Road. The driveway was configured to allow right and left turns into the development. As originally proposed, westbound Willoughby Road traffic wanting to turn left into the development would have to compete with eastbound traffic that is approaching the signal at Aurelius Road. During high traffic periods, that competition had an unacceptable potential to cause accidents. Mr. Peterson said that Mr. Jedeon modified this original proposed site plan to comply with the corner clearance

requirement and provided a driveway off of Willoughby Road that geometrically prohibits westbound left turns into the site.

Therefore, Mr. Peterson said that Mr. Jedeon has requested a variance from Rule 3.6, Commercial Driveway Spacing, for both driveway locations. The posted speed for both roads is 35 mph. As such, Mr. Peterson said the minimum required separation between commercial driveways is 150 feet. The separation from an existing driveway and the proposed driveway along Willoughby Road is 61 feet. The separation from an existing driveway and the proposed driveway along Aurelius Road is 50 feet. Mr. Peterson indicated that given the adjacent land use along the two roads, and the convenience store hours of operation (mid-morning to about midnight), he could not see a problem with the proposed driveway spacing.

Mr. Peterson recommended approval of the request for a variance from Rule 3.6, Commercial Driveway Spacing, for both proposed driveway locations.

Chair Guenther and Commissioner Dravenstatt-Moceri both stated they were pleased to see new development in Delhi Township, especially given the state of the economy, and were glad that staff was willing to work with Mr. Jedeon to come up with a workable plan for the driveway locations.

RESOLUTION APPROVING VARIANCE FROM COMMERCIAL DRIVEWAY SPACING GUIDELINES FOR LOCATION IN DELHI CHARTER TOWNSHIP.

RESOLUTION #026-10

Moved by Commissioner Mitchell and Supported by Commissioner Dravenstatt-Moceri. 5 yes, 0 no. Resolution carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Director of Engineering, the Board approves the request of Ehssan Jedeon for a variance to the Road Commission's *Rules, Standards and Procedures for Driveways, Banners and Parades Upon or Over Ingham County Road Commission Right of Way*, 2006 edition, specifically *Rule 3.6 Commercial Driveway Spacing*, for driveway locations along both Willoughby Road and Aurelius Road in Delhi Charter Township. The site location is more specifically described as a vacant parcel in the southwest quadrant of Aurelius Road and Willoughby Road, being nearly square and an acre in size.

AGENDA ITEM #11A – CRAM BOARD OF DIRECTORS' BALLOT.

Moved by Commissioner Rodgers and Supported by Commissioner Mitchell, that the Board hereby casts its ballot for the CRAM Board of Directors' three year terms beginning April 1, 2010. 5 yes, 0 no. Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #11B – OPEIU LAYOFF TEMPORARY RECALL.

Managing Director Bill Conklin reviewed his recommendation for a temporary recall of one of the OPEIU Weighmasters. He said that as spring weight restrictions are now in place, he is recommending the temporary recall of one Weighmaster for the duration of the spring weight restrictions which are not typically more than eight weeks. This would reverse the one Weighmaster layoff, which resulted in the senior

Weighmaster bumping the Permit Secretary who, in turn, bumped into the Finance Clerk position. Director Conklin stated that the original Permit Secretary should also be temporarily recalled to the Permit Department while the Weighmaster is out on the road. He reminded the Board that they previously approved the temporary recall of the Finance Clerk to help offset the medical leave of the Benefits Coordinator.

Director Conklin stated these two temporary recalls are budget neutral because the Benefits Coordinator is on unpaid medical leave for approximately the same time period as spring weight restrictions. The benefits costs of the Finance Clerk recalled from layoff are offset by savings in unemployment compensation. He said he is also recommending that the Weighmaster recall extend an additional eight weeks beyond spring weight restrictions for some additional Weighmaster patrol and PASER rating assistance. PASER rating done by the Weighmaster and another staff person will take about eight weeks, at most, and is reimbursable from the State Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC). This reimbursement will cover approximately eight weeks of the Weighmaster costs.

Director Conklin stated, in summary, the request is to temporarily recall one Weighmaster and the Permit Secretary for approximately 16 weeks, effective immediately. He indicated the temporary recall is agreeable with OPEIU Local 512 through a proposed Letter of Understanding. This process avoids the need for a formal recall.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY LAYOFF RECALL OF TWO OPEIU LOCAL 512 POSITIONS AND APPROVING A LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE LOCAL.

Moved by Commissioner Gear and Supported by Commissioner Mitchell. 4 yes, 1 no. Resolution carried.

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of the Managing Director, the Board approves the temporary recall of one Weighmaster and the Permits Secretary for approximately 16 weeks, and authorizes the Chair to sign a Letter of Understanding with OPEIU Local 512 spelling out the terms of the temporary recalls.

Discussion on the Motion: Commissioner Rodgers stated that looking at this from a continuity standpoint, she is not in favor of bouncing people back and forth between jobs. She said she does not see the overall benefit of that and she will not agree to it. She said that is why she voted no.

AGENDA ITEM #12 – BOARD UPDATES/COMMENTS.

A. Commissioner Dravenstatt-Mocerri stated that the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission is considering passing a resolution of support for Google to come into the Lansing area and establish a super high speed cable line. As a community, we have to apply for it and have various entities show their support by submitted letters and resolutions of support. Google has also asked for the support of the various local governmental entities. Commissioner Dravenstatt-Mocerri indicated he would like to have the Road Commission Board adopt a similar resolution of support for this effort. He said if it is successful, it will bring jobs and incredibly fast internet speed. It is supposed to be about five times faster than what is available now.

Commissioner Rodgers added that the Road Commission's road rights of way may be used for wiring. This resolution of support was passed unanimously at Tri-County. If approved, this effort would be a real boon to our region.

Chair Guenther asked that staff obtain the proposed format for the resolution of support being requested so that the Board can consider it at its next meeting.

No public comment was offered. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Joseph A. Guenther, Chair

Deborah L. Bellows, Board Secretary