

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners continued their annual meetings with township officials in the Road Commission offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, February 23, 2016.

Chair Kakuk called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the following persons present or absent.

PRESENT: William Anderson, Anthony Kakuk, Joseph Skrobiak, Darrell Moilanen and Lisa Savord. Also present were Jerry Piche, Mike Arnold-MCRC Powers District Foreman and Tim Starzynski-MCRC Stephenson District Substitute Foreman.

ABSENT: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

NADEAU TOWNSHIP

(9:00 a.m.) Present for Nadeau Township was Trustee Dick Corrigan.

Moilanen welcomed Trustee Corrigan and made introductions. A copy of the road commission's ACT 51 report was presented to the township.

Moilanen presented Mr. Corrigan with a list of projects for the upcoming year as well as a list of the proposed federal aid and State D projects for years 2017 thru 2020. Moilanen then proceeded to review the projects with the Township including chip sealing CR380 from east of I-1 Lane to CR551 and the reconstruction of J-1 Road. . Moilanen stated that the Road Commission is getting DEQ permits for the culvert projects indicated on the sheet and they would have 5 years to install the culverts.

Trustee Corrigan asked why some projects were done at no cost to the township while others had a shared cost. Moilanen explained that federal aid projects were of no cost to the township. Although the townships were not obligated to contribute to road projects, if they did not provide some of the funding many local road projects could not be completed. Moilanen also advised that once the new gas tax revenue started to be received in January of 2017 the road commission may initiate a new cost sharing program with the townships.

Trustee Corrigan asked why the township was expected to pay up front for the J-1 Road project. Moilanen explained that they were not expected to pay their share until the project was complete. An invoice was issued along with the project contract so that the township would know what their share of the project was. It was also noted that if the project was completed below the estimate the township's share of the project would be lower.

Trustee Corrigan noted that the grader had rutted up an area near the Bagley Park last fall. Moilanen stated that he should call whenever these types of issues happen so that they can be taken care of right away.

Nadeau Township Trustee Corrigan and District Foreman Mike Arnold left the meeting at 9:16 a.m.

HOLMES TOWNSHIP

(9:35 a.m.) Present for Holmes Township were Supervisor Ray Guard and Trustees Mike Zemba and Ray Furmanski.

Moilanen welcomed Holmes Township officials and made introductions. A copy of the road commission's ACT 51 report was presented to the township.

Moilanen presented the board with a list of projects for the upcoming year as well as a list of the proposed federal aid and State D projects for years 2017 thru 2020. Moilanen then proceeded to review the projects with the Township, including Holmesbrook Road and Lance Road. Moilanen stated that the Road Commission is getting DEQ permits for the culvert projects indicated on the sheet and they would have 5 years to install the culverts. He also advised that the county 3-Way Road Funding Program would be run again in 2018 and that the township should start thinking about what work they would like to have done under the program.

Supervisor Guard stated that he was closely watching the activity with the proposed mine and hoped

that if it gets up and running that the mining company would be willing to cost share some of the road projects in the area.

Supervisor Guard advised that Zemba Lane could use some graveling.

Supervisor Guard asked if it would be possible to eliminate the triangle at the intersection of Cheese Factory Road and Snow Road. Moilanen explained that it may be possible to create a T intersection to join Snow Road to Cheese Factory Road, but that it would depend on whether the road commission could acquire the right of way.

Trustee Furmanski asked if the road commission would be doing any crack filling this upcoming year, stating that Cheese Factory Road north of CR358 should be done. Moilanen responded that the road commission had purchased a new crack filling machine with the help of a Hannahville 2% Grant and that it would be working all summer.

Trustee Zemba stated that G-18 was in need of shouldering due to big drop offs. Moilanen stated that shouldering would be done in 2017.

Holmes Township officials left the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

DAGGETT TOWNSHIP

(10:00 a.m.) Present for Daggett Township were Supervisor Jim Revall and Clerk Edith Vincent. Daggett Township resident John Strohl also joined the meeting.

Moilanen welcomed Daggett Township officials and made introductions. A copy of the road commission's ACT 51 report was presented to the township.

Moilanen presented the board with a list of projects for the upcoming year as well as a list of the proposed federal aid and State D projects for years 2017 thru 2020. Moilanen then proceeded to review the projects with the Township that include chip sealing Badish Road, and possibly reconstructing CR360 and chip sealing CR358 and CR354 in the future. Moilanen stated that the Road Commission is getting DEQ permits for the culvert projects indicated on the sheet, including the concrete box culvert on CR358. Moilanen also advised that the road commission was pursuing corrections on CR358 where the driveways were too steep.

Supervisor Revall commented that a good job had been done on the construction project on No. 25 Road by road commission personnel.

It was noted that the board was still receiving complaints regarding commercial and agricultural traffic on a road within the Village of Daggett. Moilanen advised the township board to inform the resident that the road was not under the jurisdiction of the road commission and that they would need to contact the Village of Daggett officials with their concerns.

Moilanen advised that the county 3-Way Road Funding Program would be run again in 2018 and that the township should start thinking about what work they would like to have done under the program.

Supervisor Revall asked why the state highway was heaving so much this year. Moilanen replied that it was a combination of the frost in the ground and all the moisture that was received in December.

Jerry Piche asked for clarification of who does the sanding and other maintenance on the Village of Daggett roads. Moilanen responded that the village had their own employee that took care of that.

Moilanen advised the township that it had been mandated that either a Yield or a Stop sign be placed at all railroad crossings that don't currently have a signal. This work will be done before 2019.

Daggett Township officials left the meeting at 10:30 a.m. Jerry Piche and John Strohl left the meeting also.

STEPHENSON TOWNSHIP

(10:30 a.m.) Supervisor Mark Marklein was present for Stephenson Township.

Moilanen welcomed Supervisor Marklein and made introductions. A copy of the road commission's ACT 51 report was presented to the township.

Moilanen presented Mr. Marklein with a list of projects for the upcoming year as well as a list of the proposed federal aid and State D projects for years 2017 thru 2020. Moilanen then proceeded to review the projects with the Township that include chip sealing a portion of G-12 and L-1 (Badish) Road, and possibly reconstructing CR348 in 2020. Moilanen stated that the Road Commission is getting DEQ permits for the culvert projects indicated on the sheet.

Moilanen advised that the county 3-Way Road Funding Program would be run again in 2018 and that the township should start thinking about what work they would like to have done under the program. Moilanen also stated that once the new gas tax revenue started to be received in January of 2017 the road commission may initiate a new cost sharing program with the townships.

Supervisor Marklein asked if the shoulders on G-12 could be widened. Moilanen replied that it would depend on whether or not it would impact any wetlands to do so.

Future projects discussed include CR354, from City of Stephenson limits east to Badish and Meintz Road, north of G-12.

Supervisor Marklein stated that CR348, south of Orley Road could use some gravel. Moilanen replied that would be part of the 2020 project.

Tim Starzynski stated the hill on Walnut Road, south of the golf course, was a potential hazard and should be cut down. Kakuk stated that if there was good fill there, it may be able to be used elsewhere.

Supervisor Marklein left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

There being no further business, Kakuk declared the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Finance Director/Clerk

Chair