

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners continued their annual meetings with township officials in the Road Commission offices north of Stephenson on Thursday, February 23, 2017.

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with the following persons present or absent.

PRESENT: William Anderson, Anthony Kakuk, Joseph Skrobiak, Darrell Moilanen and Lisa Savord. Also present was Robert Hanson-MCRC Stephenson District Foreman.

ABSENT: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

LAKE TOWNSHIP

(8:30 a.m.) Present for Lake Township was Supervisor Bob Desjarlais, Treasurer Charlene Peterson and Trustee Warren Suchovsky.

Moilanen welcomed Lake Township officials and presented them with a copy of the road commission's ACT 51 report and copies of the newly updated county road map. Supervisor Desjarlais asked for an updated copy of the map that has the federal aid funded routes marked. Moilanen will provide this.

Moilanen presented Supervisor Desjarlais with a letter regarding the placement of wireless network facilities within the road right-of-way and asked that the township notify the road commission in the event they were approached by anyone requesting to install these facilities, including poles, towers, conduit, etc., in the right-of-way of any county road. Supervisor Desjarlais stated that the township board will discuss their ordinance at an upcoming meeting and add to the ordinance that if any work is proposed within the road right-of-way that the applicant must contact the road commission.

Moilanen asked that the township inform him of any roads with year round residents that become impassable during the spring breakup.

Moilanen presented the township with a list of projects for the upcoming year. It was noted that the bids to reline the Shakey Lakes dam culvert would be opened on March 7. Treasurer Peterson stated that she had seen an individual near the culvert. Moilanen replied that it could have been one of the contractors gathering information to bid the project. Trustee Suchovsky asked if the DEQ had any concerns about using culverts rather than bridges. Moilanen stated that the DEQ wants there to be bank to bank flow. There will be 5 concrete box culverts installed over the next 5 years. A chip seal on CR358, from CR577 to the Village of Daggett, is also scheduled for this year. Supervisor Desjarlais asked if this was the area that was just paved. Moilanen replied that some of this road was paved approximately 10 years ago. Mr. Desjarlais asked if the township would be expected to contribute to the project. Moilanen advised that they would not as it was a federal aid eligible route.

Moilanen noted that the 3-Way Road Funding program would be run again in 2018 and asked that the township submit their proposed projects for the program as soon as possible, so gravel needs could be planned for. Supervisor Desjarlais advised that Lake Township would most likely do graveling with their funds.

Mr. Desjarlais asked for an estimated cost per mile to gravel a road. Moilanen responded that for a 20' wide road it takes about 325 cyds of gravel per mile per inch of thickness, with an estimated cost of \$5.25 per cyd.

Kakuk noted that he had received complaints that Z-1 Road in Lake Township was getting rough. Treasurer Peterson added that G-12 near the campground was also getting broken up due to the camper traffic. Trustee Suchovsky noted that he has seen areas where the curves were paved wider and wondered if this might help.

Treasurer Peterson presented a petition signed by residents on Whispering Pines Road requesting gravel. Supervisor Desjarlais stated that Cheese Factory Road was in need of a new culvert and gravel also. He noted that the township would likely do some graveling this year and then again in 2018 with the 3-Way Program.

Treasurer Peterson asked if the repeal of the state income tax would have any effect on the new road funding. Moilanen replied that the additional road funds from the general fund could be lost.

Lake Township officials and District Foreman Robert Hanson left the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

MELLEN TOWNSHIP

(9:03 a.m.) Present for Mellen Township was Supervisor Thomas Philips. Denny Kosewski-MCRC Menominee District Foreman also joined the meeting.

Moilanen welcomed Supervisor Philips and presented him with a copy of the road commission's ACT 51 report and a copy of the newly updated county road map.

Moilanen presented Mr. Philips with a letter regarding the placement of wireless network facilities within the road right-of-way and asked that the township notify the road commission in the event they were approached by anyone requesting to install these facilities, including poles, towers, conduit, etc., in the right-of-way of any county road.

Moilanen asked that the township inform him of any roads with year round residents that become impassable during the spring breakup.

Moilanen presented the board with a list of projects for the upcoming year, including bridge scour work on CR348 and CR577 over the Little Cedar River and a single chip seal on G-08. 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. It was noted that Wildwood Road, in conjunction with Ingallston Township, had been a top priority in the past.

Supervisor Phillips advised that 15.5 Road, west of P-1 Road, was getting pretty rough.

Moilanen stated that the grade lift on 16.5 Road looked good so far this spring. Supervisor Philips noted that 12 Road, east of US 41, needed work. Foreman Kosewski responded that it would need a grade lift and that 12.5 Road, west of the highway, needed work also.

Supervisor Philips advised that the township would likely do chip sealing for their 3-Way Road Funding projects in 2018, and would also like to do some graveling this year.

Mellen Township Supervisor Philips left the meeting at 9:16 a.m.

INGALLSTON TOWNSHIP

(9:20 a.m.) Present for Ingallston were Supervisor Paul Anderson, Treasurer Pat Cheski, Clerk Kay Keefer, and Trustees Michael Kass and Carl Johnson.

Moilanen welcomed Ingallston Township officials and presented them with a copy of the road commission's 2016 ACT 51 report and a copy of the newly updated county road map.

Moilanen presented the officials with a letter regarding the placement of wireless network facilities within the road right-of-way and asked that the township notify the road commission in the event they were approached by anyone requesting to install these facilities, including poles, towers, conduit, etc., in the right-of-way of any county road. Supervisor Anderson stated that he thought it was not allowed to construct within the right-of-way. Moilanen explained that there is an exemption for public utilities, which is what these companies claim to be. Trustee Johnson asked if you could be sued for denying them a permit. Moilanen replied that you could be sued if you did not have a valid reason for denying the permit.

Supervisor Anderson advised that a resident was building a new home in the township and wants to put a driveway in. Moilanen stated that the resident will need to get a driveway permit from the road commission.

Moilanen asked that the township inform him of any roads with year round residents that become impassable during the spring breakup. It was noted that some of Johnson Road had been improved last year.

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 and submit their projects in the next couple months.

Moilanen presented the board with a list of projects for the upcoming year, which includes replacing some culverts on CR338 in Ingallston Township. A list of road priorities submitted by Ingallston Township was also discussed. Moilanen stated that the project listed first on the list, CR 348, from Orley Road to Church Road, was scheduled for 2020. He also noted that the project listed as # 5, Butchli Road, double chip seal on south end, may be a good candidate for the 3-Way program in 2018. Clerk Keefer asked if a resurface of Jimtown Road, from Hayward Lake Road to M-35 could be done this year. Moilanen replied that it could not as the 2017 federal aid funds were already scheduled to be used for the bridge scours. Clerk Keefer asked why the county did chip sealing when it seemed that the chips just get pushed into people's yards. Moilanen responded that chip sealing helps to preserve a road for up to 7 years.

Supervisor Anderson stated that the township would like to have some graveling done this year. He also asked what the cost of dust control would be this summer. Moilanen stated that it was the same as last year. Mr. Anderson asked about the drainage issue on Beattie Creek Road. Moilanen responded that the road had been ditched and will continue to be monitored.

Clerk Keefer asked if the road commission would be hiring any new employees. Moilanen replied that only summer temps were planned at this time, primarily to run the crack filling machine. Ms. Keefer noted that CR338 had some new cracks that needed to be filled.

Supervisor Anderson asked if the county roads would be mowed twice this year. Moilanen responded that it would depend on whether or not there was a need for the second mowing. Mr. Anderson added that the brush chopper had done a nice job by his residence last year.

Ingallston Township officials left the meeting at 9:51 a.m.

CEDARVILLE TOWNSHIP

(10:02 a.m.) Supervisor Linda Peterson was present for Cedarville Township. Township resident Roger Betzinger also joined the meeting.

Moilanen welcomed Supervisor Peterson. A copy of the road commission's ACT 51 report along with copies of the newly updated county road map were presented to the township.

Moilanen presented Supervisor Peterson with a letter regarding the placement of wireless network facilities within the road right-of-way and asked that the township notify the road commission in the event they were approached by anyone requesting to install these facilities, including poles, towers, conduit, etc., in the right-of-way of any county road.

Moilanen asked that the township inform him of any roads with year round residents that become impassable during the spring breakup. It was noted that No. 29 Road had been worked on after last spring. Supervisor Peterson stated that she had also received compliment on the work done on Old Mill Road.

Moilanen presented Ms. Peterson with a list of projects for the upcoming year which includes scour protection to the No. 29 Road bridge, repairing the Camp O headwall and graveling and grade lifts on CR551 within the township. Supervisor Peterson asked if CR551, for the first two miles off of M-35, could be chip sealed. Moilanen responded that it was already in too poor of condition for a chip seal.

Supervisor Peterson noted that the Cedarville Township Hall parking lot needed to be seal coated. Moilanen suggested that she try contacting Dun-Rite out of Marinette for a price.

Moilanen noted that the brush chopper that was demo'd on the road by the town hall had done a good job. Supervisor Peterson added that a culvert may be needed on the paved portion of Old Mill Lane by the township hall. Moilanen advised that there already was a culvert in place there. District Foreman Kosewski will check to see if it is plugged.

Moilanen advised that gravel was needed on the curve by the boat launch. The road commission can put the gravel needed within the right-of-way, but if additional gravel is needed outside the right-of-way the cost would be the township's responsibility.

Supervisor Peterson stated that the DNR wants to do brushing on M-35 by the marina and asked who

they would need to receive permission from to do this. Moilanen answered that it's on a county road, then the road commission would; but if it's on M-35 they would need to contact MDOT.

Ms. Peterson asked if CR551 would be paved in 2018, as it would be better for the bike trail. Moilanen replied that due to the size of the project, 7 miles, it would not be on the schedule in the near future.

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 and submit their projects in the next couple months. Supervisor Peterson asked about Jimtown Road. Moilanen responded that it was not in too bad of condition yet, but that some of the roads on the north end of the township needed gravel and the township could possibly consider graveling them through the 3-Way program.

Supervisor Peterson left the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

MENOMINEE TOWNSHIP

(10:35 a.m.) Present for Menominee were Supervisor Ken Goffin, Treasurer David Wesoloski and Trustee Larry Barker.

Moilanen welcomed Menominee Township officials and presented them with a copy of the road commission's 2016 ACT 51 report and a copy of the newly updated county road map.

Moilanen presented the officials with a letter regarding the placement of wireless network facilities within the road right-of-way and asked that the township notify the road commission in the event they were approached by anyone requesting to install these facilities, including poles, towers, conduit, etc., in the right-of-way of any county road.

Moilanen asked that the township inform him of any roads with year round residents that become impassable during the spring breakup. It was noted that R-1 Road had been worked on after last spring and was looking good.

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 and submit their projects in the next couple months. Supervisor Goffin asked if the 3-Way Road Funding program funds could be used by the township to crush gravel. Treasurer Wesoloski also inquired if the funds could be used for the township's cost share on the local bridges. Moilanen will check with the county administrator's office to see if this would be permissible. Supervisor Goffin asked how often the 3-Way program was being run. Moilanen advised that it was currently every 3 years.

Moilanen presented the board with a list of projects for the upcoming year, which includes two local bridge replacements and bridge scour protection being performed in Menominee Township. It was noted that Hebert Construction had been awarded the bid on all of these projects. Treasurer Wesoloski how the township's cost share for the bridges would be billed. Moilanen explained that each time the contractors receive a payment, the township would be invoiced for their pro-rata share of the local cost. Mr. Wesoloski asked about the No. 10 Lane bridge being delayed for a year. Moilanen stated that the bridge would be done in 2017, but the paving of the approaches would be delayed until 2018 to allow for proper settling of the road bed. Supervisor Goffin asked how far the approaches would be paved on the No. 5 Road bridge. Moilanen advised it would be approximately 400' on one side and 300' on the other side. He also added that the No. 10 Lane bridge approaches would be paved approximately 200' in both directions.

Supervisor Goffin asked when the O-1 Road and Bay de Noc Road projects would be started. Moilanen responded that some work, tree cutting, etc., was being done now until weight restriction are lifted. Once restrictions are lifted the crew would be moving to Holmesbrook Road and would return to Menominee Township when done there. The chip seals would be scheduled in mid-July.

Supervisor Goffin asked if the road commission typically paved 2" or 3" thick. Moilanen replied that generally a 3" layer was used, but if the township wanted to pave at 2" that would be okay, but the base should probably be beefed up a little. Trustee Barker asked how thick the gravel base typically was. Moilanen advised approximately 5". Kosewski added that geogrid would also be added to the bad area on the north end of the project and then 5" of gravel added in this area, which

should be good.

Supervisor Goffin asked if the road commission could extend the gravel shoulder on the east side of O-1 Road for additional parking for the township hall. Moilanen said he would leave that up to the road commission board to decide as it would bring increased liability to the road commission. Mr. Goffin will send a letter to the road commission board requesting the wider shoulders, for action at an upcoming meeting.

Supervisor Goffin presented a petition he had received from residents of 6.25 Lane asking for crushed limestone on the road and asked what the cost of crushed limestone would be. Moilanen stated that it was currently running between \$9-13 cyd, and that approximately 2000 cyds was needed per mile at a 24' width.

Treasurer Wesoloski stated that the section of O-1 Drive by the railroad tracks needed some work. Moilanen will advise the railroad officials to look at it.

Supervisor Goffin advised that the township would be bidding out gravel crushing again this year.

There being no further business, Anderson declared the meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Finance Director/Clerk

Chair