

PENTWATER TOWNSHIP

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Township Road Committee Meeting Minutes February 14, 2013

Chairman Hollis called the regular meeting of the Pentwater Township Road Committee to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Ron Hollis, Duane Hamburger, Mike Flynn, Dean Holub, Henry Jobbins

Members absent: None

REVIEW & ACTION: MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 8, 2012 ROAD COMMITTEE MEETING

A motion was made by Member Hamburger and duly seconded by Member Jobbins to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2012 Road Committee meeting as submitted. Voice vote. Aye: 5 Nay: 0. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and Action: Recommended Priorities for Township Roadway Improvements

Chairman Hollis stated that members were requested to develop a list of proposed roads for improvement at the last meeting. He then asked members to individually identify their priorities for roadway improvement. Members then listed their top three to five priorities. Among those identified were Ridge Road (B-15), Longbridge Road, Wayne Road, W. Lake View Drive, 56th Avenue, and brining for gravel/earth roads.

Member Hamburger inquired as to the status of the access road to the transfer station. Member Holub stated that the road was actually an "easement" and not a public right-of-way. Members indicated that it has not been maintained on any regular basis. It was suggested that surfacing the road with traprock would enhance the road on a long-term basis.

After further discussion, a motion was made by Member Holub and duly seconded by

Member Hollis to recommend the following priority of Township roadway improvements to the Township Board:

- (1) Longbridge Road (bridge to Ridge Road)
- (2) Ridge Road (B-15) (Village limits south to Township line)
- (3) 56th Avenue (widening)
- (4) Wayne Road (Longbridge to Township line)
- (5) Annual brining of gravel/earth roads three (3) times per year

Voice Vote. Aye: 5; Nay 0. Motion carried.

After further discussion regarding funding for the improvements, a motion was made by Member Hamburger and duly seconded by Member Jobbins to recommend to the Township Board that any annual carryover from the Township budget be placed in the Road Fund as well as making an annual allocation to the Road Fund. Voice Vote. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Chairman Hollis thanked members for their efforts in objectively evaluating and prioritizing roadways for maintenance and improvement. He said that this is/was the primary purpose of the Road Committee and that hopefully the Township will take positive steps in allocating monies to upgrade these roadways.

Member Holub mentioned that the Township Board would be conducting a Budget Meeting on Wednesday, February 20th and the Committee members were welcome to attend.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Pentwater Township Road Committee will be at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 9, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Member Hamburger and duly seconded by Member Flynn to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dean Holub, Secretary

