Jan. 2, 1959 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Eddy and Peterson present. Gamertsfeld absent re trip to Crestline Ohio with Stan Heustis to get new Oshkosh truck.

Trip made to Piney Ridge Road for inspection by Engineer Lunde and Commissioners Eddy and Peterson. At this time, Engineer Lunde informed the commission of the meeting concerning this road held with the Hamlin Twp. Supervisor Leo Sobanski, Hans Rasmussen, State Representative, representatives from the Sargent Sand Company, including William Phillips of Saginaw, and Don Jackson of Ludington, and R. E. Lunde, of the Mason County Road Commission. There was considerable discussion relating to future planning and operations of the Sargent Sand Co. sand pit. Local problems included some definite program of barriers to stop or prevent sand drifting; this will be taken care of after a study is made in the use of tree plantings, brush barriers, etc; the county road starting just north of M-116, leading to Piney Ridge has considerable sand blowing in along the west side.

The Sargent Sand Co. will excavate this material and dispose of it on the east side of the county road, thereby keeping the existing road open and full width, and the fillsand so disposed of could be in the future used as a new location for the county road.

Also there was considerable discussion of the sand drifting problem at the railroad crossing in the sand pit. The Sargent Sand Co. had just completed extensive work at this crossing, removing the drifted sand, and had this particular area in excellent condition. A future meeting was planned, with no date set, to formulate and complete the plans as discussed at this time.

Motion made by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that Robert Wing, Assistant Superintendent be specifically authorized to supervise the work on the mile in Logan Township from the Oceana-Mason County line, north, providing that this mile of road is scheduled for improvement in preference to a temporary bridge. (Copy of this motion to Horence Alenk Thought Eldy

Jan. 5, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Appointment of a Chairman to be made at this meeting since Commissioner Gamertsfelder was not present on Jan. 2, 1959, when the Chairman would ordinarily have been named.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that Gamertsfelder be elected to Chairmanship of the board for two years; motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, that Eddy be elected to Vice Chairmanship.

Mark Smith was before the board to discuss snowplowing on 6th Street, Ludington, which is taken care of by County and State Highway plows.

A delegation from Logan Twp. was before the board to discuss grading the Campbell Road between Sec. 33-34 and an agreement between property owners and county road commission was drawn up as to the brush in roadway. This agreement will be discussed with Oceana County on plans for a detour when signed by property owners.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that 6th St. from US-31 to Ludington City Limit be put in on Primary Road system. Florence Stenk floyd Eddy Chairman

A delegation from the Grange was before the board to get information on brine on the roads. They would like to know what could be used instead of salt and chloride to get away from the rust situation.

Jan. 13, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Mr. Cole of Summit Twp. was in to see if the Inman Road could be sanded. A trip was made to the detour in Logan Twp. where the grading was just started.

Jan. 20, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Payroll checks were signed by the Chairman and a few bills were reviewed, approved and signed by the commission.

Robert Scott of Alpena was with the board to explain his findings on the budget for 1959 and at 1:30 P.M. the board and Mr. Scott, togeMaher with Engineer Lunde, met wi the Board of Supervisors at the Courthouse in Ludington, and Mr. Scott explained to them the same as he had explained to the Commission. (Newspaper item attached hereto gives gist of his talk, except that the item of the commissioners salaries was misinterpreted as reported. He recommended meetings to be reduced to two each month, with the salary to be made comparable to the per diem received during the year for two meetings per week

Jan. 23, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A trip was made to Hamlin Township to watch the snow-plowing operations there.

The report of the fact finding board was read and discussed. A summary of this report from the hearing held on November 18, 1958, is as follows:

Jan. 21, 1959 -SUMMARY OF FINDINGS WITH RESPECT TO MATTERS IN DISAGREEMENT

(1) WAGES: - It is found and recommended that the wage rates of the employees of the Mason County Road Commission involved in these proceedings should be adjusted but that the specific amount of such increase is a matter to be determined by the Mason County Road Commission.

(2) SICK LEAVE:-

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It is found and recommended that the two days waiting period of the present sick-leave plan is not substantially less favorable than those existing in comparable counties in the area; and, therefore, it is recommended that no adjustments be made in such plan with respect to the waiting days required for eligibility.

DISCONTINUATION OF UNION DUES CHECK-OFF:-

It is found and recommended, on the basis of comparable date, that the Mason County Road Commission need not give favorable consideration to the immediate re-establishment of the Union dues check-off plan.

s/s HYMAN PARKER, Hearings Officer

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Jan. 27, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Geo. Slaggert was before the board to discuss lubricating oil requirements for one year, to Feb. 1, 1960. Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that Slaggert furnish this oil as it is needed, at a price of 60¢ per gallon.

Prosecuting Attorney Gavigan was called in to discuss the fact finding report from the hearings officer, to which a reply is to be made within ten days from January 21, 1959. Since the only item left open for further comment is that of the recommendation for a 'wage adjustment to be determined by the Commission', Mr. Gavigan was given figures and information in order that this reply might be made. Since financial circumstances have not improved since this hearing took place and the same conditions exist, it was to be pointed out that altho! the wage rates did not in all respects meet those of some counties which had given raises either just before the hearing or since, the fringe benefits paid in Mason County were second high in the State and this should be considered in the overall wage picture.

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To supplement the minutes of May 20, 1958: - Bids were taken that day and it was resolved that a 10 cu. yd. "V"-bottom Semi-Trailer be purchased, equipped with one new-style ice-control sander; also, one new-style sander attachment to be mounted on one of our other "V" bottoms at Scottville, at a total cost of \$5,773.00. Motion on the above was made by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that payment be made May 20, 1959.

A motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that Engineer-Mgr. Lunde be authorized to sign the Bill of Sale for the above, when sent by the Young Oil Company.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the letter written by Pros. Gavigan to the Mediation Board Hearing Officer, in reply to his recommendations be approved.

Feb. 3, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Discussion regarding lack of co-operation on part of Sheridan Twp. in settling past due account. Engineer Lunde to write a letter to each of the members of the Twp.

board and try to get some settlement on this matter

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Feb. 5, 1959 - Board meets with all members present at regular meeting.

Riverton Twp. Supervisor Birdsall, with a delegation, was before the board to discuss Washington Road on County line to see if it could be placed into Primary System, or if Twp. could blacktop same road as a Local Road. More study will be made on this after township board meeting.

Letters were signed by the Commission to Sheridan and Custer Twp. Boards on the past due amounts now owing to the Commission. 13 Januth feller. Chairman

- Feb. 11, 1959 Camertsfelder and Eddy were present, but this was not a commission meeting date.
- Feb. 13, 1959 Regular meeting held with all members present.

Stuart Rule, Local Rep. of Metropolitan Ins. Co. and a District Rep. of same comparation were present to discuss a proposal on group insurance which had been given to an employee's committee which had approached Mr. Rule with request for a quotation. The proposal was in no way comparable to the present coverage. After considerable discussion, the Met. Representative agreed that it was useless to continue the discussion on the present proposal and agreed to prepare another with greater benefits. However, it was flatly stated by the Dist. Rep. that Met. could not duplicate Blue Cross coverage at any price.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that the Chairman be authorized to sign transfer of title on Walters Truck No. 14, which is being given to Mason County Airport.

In reply to Clerk's request for clarification of status of invoice on Brush Chipper from Miller Equipment 'Co., motion was made by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the brush chipper be purchased for the balance due, \$2,587.50. This balance occurred after the originally agreed two month's equipment rental of \$300.00 per month had been paid and applied thereon.

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Feb. 17, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A trip was made to Mason County Fairgrounds to see damage done to the picnic tables belonging to the State Hwy. Dept. which were being stored in the building the roof and walls of which collapsed from the weight of the snow.

Make a trip through Victory Twp. to check the car and snow-bank where the snow-plov struck Emmett Peterson's car. Car was buried so as to be unrecognizable as such.

Addison Miller was before the board to see if Road Commission would push back the snow and widen the drives around the Scottville School where school buses load and unload. He was advised that Road Commission cannot do this work for individuals where there are contractors available who do that kind of work.

It was authorized by the Board for more grading to be done on the detour in Logan Twp. than was originally planned, even tho it will mean additional expense. A little more expense on this road will make a good permanent road with less low spot

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Feb. 20, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Payroll checks were signed by the Chairman, and vouchers for other bills were reviewed, approved and signed.

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Feb. 24, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A. R. McLouth of Shelby, was before the board to make a bid of \$17.00 per ton on the scrap iron. Henry Marek offered \$20.00 per ton, and the board decided to let Marek have the junk.

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Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that a chart be made, and Louis Lund keep records of expense on trucks. This chart be placed where the drivers can check it. for

Discussion on wages versus salaries/H. Englebracht and H. Brankert. No decision as to a raise in salaries to compensate for extra time put in, until more money is available.

Feb. 27, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A trip was made over the detour road in Logan Twp. Grade looks okay.

The bid by A. R. McLouth made on 2/26/59 after he learned of the price Marek had quoted was submitted to commission. This bid was \$21.00 on a 2,000 pound ton, whereas McLouth claims that Marek bids on a 2240 pound ton. Engineer Lunde called Marek concerning this ton weight, and Marek's right-hand-man, Bob, informed him that they buy on a 2000-lb. ton. On this basis Marek will be allowed the scrat now available and piled in the yard at the price bid on February 24, 1959, and he is to present a public weighing scale slip with the check.

It is the recommendation of the Engineer - Manager to the board on this date, that due to the lack of finances, and the excessive snow removal costs during this past season, that the following men are to be laid off at the end of the working day on March 14, 1959:- John McVay, John Kerstein, Elty Tyler, LeRoy Peterson, Lyle Taylor Kenneth Gilmore, and Raymond Stewart; and that a notice to this effect be posted immediately on the bulletin board. (Two copies were posted, one to remain on the bulletin board). No motion was made on this recommendation, but Commissioner Peterson stated that Engr. Lunde should use his own judgment in this matter, and Gamertsfelder concurred with this statement.

March 3, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A trip was made to have a talk with Frank McQueen, a member of the Sheridan Twp. Board, about a twp. board meeting with the commission. He will try and get ax a meeting started.

Also checked the bridge over Sauble River, east of Freesoil

It was approved by the board to have the 4 trees cut at Rudysill's in Hamlin Twp.; also, to cut the trees on Lakewood Drive, north of Eders.

Chairman

March 5, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A check of the roads through Sheridaw and Sherman Typs. was made.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the Clerk make a request of the State Highway Department regarding restoration of frontage and driveway in front of road commission building the same as they have done for other property owners.

Letter signed by Chairman of the Compissaion.

Motion by Eddy that the commission reconsider the lay-off of the seven men. This motion was meaning mot supported, and since board had previously put this obligation directly upon the manager and since the financial situation which caused this reduction had not changed, reconsideration was not in order.

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Mar. 13, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Board met with Logan Twp. Supervisor and two other men from Logan Twp. to discuss the water north of Carr Settlement store and beside the community hall. They agree to pay for tile and commission agreed to furnish the labor. This will take about 250-ft. of tile, and work is to be done as soon as possible. A trip was made over the detour in Logan Twp.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that a bond be taken out for Ben Coolman, making him a deputy sheriff for weighing trucks. Price of the bond is \$8,00.

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March 17, 1959 - Board meets with all member present at a regular meeting. Engineer Lunde is only one attending Annual Road Convention in Grand Rapids.

Routine discussion with trip through county in P.M.

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Mar. 20, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A representative of the Gas Co. was before the board to discuss the possibility of using gas to heat the county garage and offices. It was unanimously agreed that when this gas pipeline was put through to Scottville, that commission would be interested; however, no obligation to do so.

The weight restrictions on 6th St. in Ludington will be waived for the time being to see how this section of road holds up under loads.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that Supt. Englebrecht be given two weeks leave for a trip to Florida, and that Ass't. Supt. Wing take full charge of crew while Supt. is gone.

James Stovall, employee, requested leave of absence for four months, but board decided it would be a disruption of plans for 1959 and this has previously only bee done in case of sickness.

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Mar. 23, 1959 - Chairman and Engineer attended Senior Gov't day at Ludington, as panel member Mar. 24, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

R. S. Scott, consulting engineer from Alpena, was before the board to discuss the financial picture of the commission in regards to the 1959 budget.

By an oversight, the half-mile in Riverton Twp. Section 25, to Backwick farm, was not on the certification list from 1954 on. Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that this road be put on certification list.

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Mar. 27, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that the Chairman sign the certification for the 1959 total mileage, Primary roads 178.38 and Local Roads, 742.62.

An estimate on the Hawley Road west of US-31, is given to Summit Twp. at a figure of \$5,046.00 for grading, gravelling and drainage, ready for blacktop; cost of paving with double seal, \$4200.00 per mile.

Engineer is rquested by commission to answer the letter appearing in the Open Forum of the Ludington Daily News on Mar. 24th, in regard to cry having offered to work an 8-hr. day in order to preserve jobs for the seven men scheduled for lay-off. This article was signed by the 7 laid-off employees in the form of a thank you to the crew for this offer. No request for in 8-hr. day was ever made directly to the commission, and no formal request was made to any one at any time

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March 31, 1959 -- Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. A trip was made over several roads, and routine discussion in the office with no special business.

April 3, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A trip was made over several roads which are threatening wash outs, but nothing much can be done until water goes down, or drainage is improved.

Discussion regarding stockroom work falling behind due to the fact that M. Cloud was instructed to spend only one day per week in the stock-room. Commission feels that that this work warrants a full-time stock clerk. This is to be taken up with Engineer - Manager when he returns from vacation. Cloud has shown by savings in parts purchasing that he can save money by doing comparison shopping, and has done this already in obtaining parts for the gravel screen. This would more than offset the difference in his rate, as he will still perform mechanic labor when Stockroom work does not warrant him being there.

April 7, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Contract made up for work for Harris McBurney Co. was turned down by the board. This was to place gravel on shoulders on State Highway where the road was left in bad condition. This was not deemed to be road commission responsibility and private contractors who wanted the work were accusing road commission of taking work away from them, therefore same was rejected.

An agreement which had been sent to Sherman Twp. and was signed and returned, was ther signed by the Commission, to place gravel on the Manales Road to the Cotton farm from the Custer Road, in the amount of from 100 to 125 cu. yds.@ \$1.50 per yd. deliver ed from the County Pit and spread, this cost to be paid 100% by Sherman Twp.

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Made a visit to Jones Pit. Clyde Waite wants to buy gravel from this pit which Road Commission has under a leased basis. Some question about legality of selling from a contracted pit, and the advisability of having two gravel outfits in there at once. Discuss further when Engineer returns.

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Apr. 14, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Since no acceptable bid was received on #10 truck, same was not sold under same; upon offer of Bruce Stewart in the amount of \$310.00, motion made by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, that No. 10 be sold to him for that price.

Regarding 250° tile to be placed in Section 12, Logan Twp., on east side of road across from store (this originally discussed Mar. 13th when Logan Twp. Bd. was in) this tile is to be placed.

Clerk

April 17, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Leo Sobanski, Supervisor of Hamlin Twp. was in to see what the/program for Hamlin was for 1959, especially on Primary Roads. He is informed that nothing has been scheduled for Hamlin Twp. and he voices great disappointment and surprise. He says Hamlin should get their share every year and that they have about \$6,000. available He is NOT reminded that the cost of blacktopping done in Hamlin last year was disputed and consequently \$600.00 had to be dropped from the bill which was an additional cost to the County Road Commission which they had not anticipated having to assume. This was a case of only the Supervisor (at that time Ornan Myers) comin alone and making the bargain single-handed. Sobanski was very much against this procedure, but now is here without his board, for much the same purpose. He leaves requestes for several deficiencies re dead end roads, etc. to be looked over but no definite promise of work is made to him. (Transcribed from tape)

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April 20, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Summit Twp. Board was in to discuss 1959 road needs, and an agreement was signed by the Twp. Board and Road Commissioners for the following projects:

1. Hawley Road from US-31, west, for 1 mile, bet. Sec. 12-13; Grade, drain and gravel, at an estimated cost of \$5,046.; to be done in 1959; not to exceed this amount without township consent.

2. The above project description to be blacktopped (16-ft wide) in 1960, at an estimated cost of \$2300. for the materials used in blacktopping.

3. On the West side of Sec. 13, south from the Hawley Rd., a short piece of road to be cleared and graded, suitable for snow-plowing to the last new house on this road. This to be done at 100% cost to the Township.

4. Summit Twp. will participate to the extent of \$2500. on the grading and blacktopping of the Lakeshore Road, from the Deren Road to Kistler Road. The grading will be doen in 1959 and the blacktopping in 1960. To be paid when graded.

(The \$550.00 now on deposit from Summit Twp. originally intended for the blinker lights at the Meisenheim and Kistler crossings will be applied on this work since State Hwy. has denied the necessity for these lights at this time) Clerk to send letter notifying Summit Twp. of this transfer of funds.

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13 James to felder Chairman

April 24, 1959 - Board holds regular meeting with all commissioners present.

Bids for Workmen's Compensation, Fleet coverage, and Comprehensive Liability Ins. were opened by the board. Only two bids received, one from Elliott Ins. Agency of Ludington, in the amount of \$8,351.97; and from Michigan Mutual Liability Co., in the amount of \$6,918.01.

Considerable discussion took place concerning the coverages furnished by these bids. For the first time bids had been requested to include glass breakage, and vandalism, and theft; also, that property damage be on an occurrence basis rather than just on an accident basis.

Board was informed by Michigan Mutual Rep. William Connelly, upon direct question to him, that he felt we had covered everything that would be apt to happen in a road commission, except of course, collision insurance which commands a prohibitive premium and is not carried by any road commissions at least within their coverage.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that the bid of the Michigan Mutual Liability Co. be accepted at the price of \$6,918.01 for the total coverage.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that gravel will not be sold from Jones Pit, re request of Clude Waite, in minutes of April 10, 1959,

Clerk

Chairman

April 28, 1959 - Board meets with all commissioners present.

Glen Hissong was before the board to discuss the gravel on his farm and board decided that to level off the ground around pit would be too expensive for the amount of grave obtained.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, that the stone and gravel piles at Amber Pit, be retained to make gravel.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that Cloud be given charge of stockroom for 90-days trial and it will be his own initiative to keep things there up to date, and after that any extra time which he has may be used by helping in the Shop.

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Chairman

May 1, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

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Pere Marquette Twp. board was in to discuss their roads, - re South Lakewood Drive from US-10. Jebavy Corners----Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that Road Com.

from US-10, lebavy Corners——Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that Road Com. go 50/50 on expense with Pere Marquette Twp. (2) Hanson't Plat - Blacktop, estimate to be given; Boswell Plat - Blacktop, estimate to be given; Chauvez Road, west of US-31; estimate to be given; repair old US-31 to Bronson Road, (5) - The P.M. memorial sign to be raised or moved on Iris Road; (6) See about cars being parked on Northwest corner of 6th St., and US-31.

In the afternoon, the Grant Twp. Board was in with the following questions:-

1. Ask about gate at the dump.

2. Hill to be cut west of Peltons? (Agreement approved and signed by Commission to grade on this hill, agreement in Grant Twp. file)

3. Promise to pay at least \$3,000. of their present outstanding account now due, in the fall of 1959, this will leave approx. \$1500.yet owning.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, that Grant Twp. have permission to use clay pit for dumping ground and that Twp. be responsible for anything dumped outside of fence, and a permit to build fence.

Clerk

May 5, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Lyle Taylor, one of the employees who was laid off on March 14th, and who took the last week he was considered on the payroll to go to Veteran's Hospital in Ann Arbor for check-up, was in to discuss obtaining the balance of his sick leave accumulation He was paid for 6 days, which was until effective date of lay-off; he is asking for the balance of 153 hours or 17 days which he had accumulated. There is no precender for this case and since sick leave is not payable upon an employee leaving such employ, no policy exists to assist this decision. Engineer-Mgr. Lunde is to take this up with Mich. Mutual as Taylor claims his back injury, incurred during the war, was supposedly aggravated by his work as a mechanic.

In the afternoon the Board went to Grant Twp. to see about the relocation of US-31.

May 8, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Board met with Victory Twp. board to discuss gravel for their township. the following:

- 1. Sec. 35, on north and south quarterline; then west if money permits.
- 2. Bet. Sec. 3-10; 2-11, starting at Diamond School, going west to high ground. then from the school corner east 1/2 to 3/4 mile as money allows.

For the above work, Victory Twp. agrees to pay the sum of \$2500.00.

On a special maintenance authorization from State Highway Department, amounting to \$5,775.00, Road Commission will put 1900 yards of gravel on shoulders of State Hwy. from the curve north of Scottville to county line or to sink-hole.

James Stovall, who was refused a 6-months leave of absence by the commission, which he requested so that he might farm this summer, quit as of April 17, 1959, therefore he is no longer an employee of the Mason County Road Commission and by such action has sacrificed all job senority.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that a contract be made out for gravel from Charles McKimmy at a price of 20¢ per/cubic yard.

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May 11, 1959 - Board of Commissioners, together with Engineer, and Roads and Bridges Comm. made a trip through Rivetton, Summit, Pere Marquette, Hamlin, Branch and Sheridan Two

May 12, 1959 - Board of Commissioners, Engineer and Rd. . and Bridges Com. made a trip through Custer, part of Eden, Sherman, Sheridan, Freesoil, Meade, Grant, Hamlin, Amber and

In the afternoon of the 12th, all the above officials met with Sargent Sand Company officials to discuss the re-routing of Piney Ridge Road in Hamlin Twp. or have Sarger Sand Co. do part maintenance on the road where sand blows across road and where tractors cut the shoulders. An estimate for clay and gravel was \$500.00, and the Sand Co. ask for a few days to study this. It was also suggested that snow fence be placed to keep sand from drifting.

May 15, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Chairman has letter from Pres. and Sec. of local union asking for a meeting with the commission to discuss wages, hospitalization and grievances by two employees. Engr. Lunde commissioned to contact employees relative to having the meeting soon as an informal discussion with employees sommittee only present. They agreed to this a and May 20th at 3:00 P.M. was set for the meeting. Clerk instructed to notify employees committee by letter of the date set.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, that the board approves of the purchase of new parts for the No. 58 International Tractor repairs.

May 20. 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Routine discussion in the morning, together with signing of payroll checks, and some current bills. Ed Kainz of Miller Equipment Co. was present.

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At 3:00 P.M. the Employees' Committee appeared before the board with members Homer Molyneux, Edwin Brautigam, and William Brown. After 4:30 P.M., the employees who had grienvances also came before the board. Employees committee brought their recording machine, therefore Chairman requested that Rd. Com. recording machine also be used.

Wages were briefly discussed, but since no current comparative figures were available at the moment, same will be investigated by the commission, although the committee was told that the revenue situation was not improved since November, the time of the fact finding hearing.

The second time item they wished to discuss was hospitalization. Since requests had been made for investigation of other plans, the Blue Cross representative and the local Metropolitan Rep. were present to answer questions on relative merits of their coverages. However, after considerable discussion between the two, the committee said that the main thing they wished to discuss on hospitalization was not the plans themselves, but whether or not the commission would pay a greater protion of the coverage, and iff they would pay the same amount no matter what coverage was taken. This was referred to later study by the commission.

The Dereski grievance was then discussed as to his being taken off his blade truck and not allowed to go back to driving it. Supt. was instructed by commission at insistance of Commissioner Eli Hanson (resigned in October, 1958) that Dereski was not to be put back on his truck. At the present time he is asking why he shouldn't be reinstated, and he has also put his name on list for driving one of the V-bottom trailers. This will also be further discussed by the commission and the management.

The Dumas' grievance was read by the Manager, also his reply to same. Dumas stated that he had forgotten all about it but the union committee wanted him to follow throug on it. He stated that he was satisfied on the job he was on, his former job on the blade truck, except that it took a lower rate than he was getting in the stockroom. Said he had wanted to stay in the stockroom at that time (Sept. 1958) but that he was now satisfied where he was. Circumstances at the time of his actual removal from the stock-room were not THE cause of his removal, time element was co-incidental only.

The Gasoline Tax Examiner Edward Venema, from Lansing, made two audits, and during his first visit he checked with Dumas on the shortages and he could not account for same but stated that it was "necessary to 'plug' the inventory". The Examiner recommended that a change be made in view of his inability to explain these discrepancies. In the Tax Examiner's report made Sept. 26, 1958, only ten days after Dumas' removal from the stockroom, he reported to the Motor Fuel Tax Div. Administrator as follows: "During the month of June 1957, a transport load of gasoline consisting

of 6,739 gallons was omitted from Schedule "A" and other garage records. This was a shipment from Naph-Sol on June 3. It was found that the garage records did not reflect correct totals for June receipts, nor were inventories correct for several months, until corrected when previous audit was made on October 31, 1957.————The individual at the garage at this time is no longer handling this work,

\*In view of having complied with his previous recommendation and noting other efforts being made to eliminate shortages, has recommendation was that the Additional Tax Liability of the Mason County Road Commission was "None".

Clerk, against whom Dumas' grievance was erroneously directed, read her record of the indi incident to which he attributed his removal. There was a definite lack of co-operation and insubordination on the part of Dumas in this incident, but in itself would not have caused such removal.

(The above can all be confirmed on the precording made during this meeting, the above is only a summary)

It was then recommended by the Chairman that in view of Dumas having stated satisfaction on his present job and the ill-feeling caused by the delay in grievance procedures, that the matter now be dropped and not brought up again and again as it has been in the past months. This sentiment was echoed by Homer Molyneux and Edwin Brautigam, of the Employees Committee, and aggrieved employee, Dumas.

Marence Klenk Clerk

Chairman

May 22, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the Chairman be authorized to sign the Workman's Compensation, and General Comprehensive Liability insurance declarations. These were signed and mailed to Agent Herman Deake in Ludington.

The Board will meet with Amber Township Board on Monday, May 25th, 1959, at 8:00 P.M.

at Amber Twp. hall.

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May 25, 1959 - Repecial meeting with Amber Twp. Board at the Amber Townhall, 8:00 P.M., with Commissioners Gamertsfelder, Eddy and Peterson, and Engineer Lunde present.

Amber Twp. wants the following: (1) The grading of approximately 1/2 mile of road bet. Section 27-28, being the south end of the Stiles Road in Amber Twp.; (2) General program of gravel surfacing throughout the township with a maximum program of \$6000. for 1959 on all road work, including Item 1 above.

The Twp. Board authorized two of its members, Supervisor Hubbell and Clerk Odean to go with the Road Commission Supt. to determine which roads need the gravel at this time. (This trip was made on June 5th).

May 26, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all members present.

Sherman Twp. Board was in to discuss (1) their road from US-31 to the dump; estimate to be given. (2) Road west of Fountain to be raised with sand cushion, east of the cemetery.

Custer Twp. Board was in to discuss their overdue bill on Project No. S-1254, the Wilson Road, in the amount of \$1,646.88; but no decision or promise was given as to what they will do about paying this,

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May 29, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all members present.

Shanks Bros. were before the board to discuss the pulp-wood on county gravel pit. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder that they be allowed to take pulpwood from gravel pit property at a price of \$2.00 per cord; an agreement made by Lunde with Shanks Bros.

Eden Twp. Board was in to discuss the road to Barton's Lake for snow-plowing. Twp. has promised that they would get a written contract from Rockin' R. Ranch owners on paying the bill for snow-plawing their road in the future, and township will pay the Road Commission, plowing to be done only when absolutely necessary.

A tube is to be placed on Barton's land, east of Frank Miller's on Chauvez Road.

A letter of reply to the committee concerning issues discussed on the 20th of May, was dictated by the Engr.-Mgr.

(1) No wage increase in current year ending 6/1/60.

(2) Commission agrees to pay full premium on employee, in Blue Cross and take the M-75 and M-rider which will give maximum coverage available under Blue Cross.

(3) Dumas' grievance was cleared up at the meeting and agreed that same should not be brought up any more since he says he is satisfied on his present blade truck job; Dereski - it is recommended that he stay at light truck driver rating and not be returned to blade. Clerk Clerk 13 Jamestofeldu. Chairman

June 2, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Sargent Sand Co. representative, several Piney Ridge Road residents, and Supervisor Leo Sobanski of Hamlin Twp:, were before the Board to discuss the sand condition on Piney Ridge Road. Agreement is signed by sand company agreeing to the the following conditions: (1) To remove sand along west side of Piney Ridge Road; provide a two way road with a shoulder and ditch along the west side; at no cost to either the county or the township. (2) To keep the road free and clear from all drifting sand at all times; (3) Confine the movement of heavy equipment crossing the county road to one definite location, west of the railroad crossing and protect the road from damage by such movement, at all times; (4) To pay the sum of \$1,000.00 as the their share of cost of repairing the present road in the open-pit aread, and at south end near M-116 for two-way traffic by the public. (copy of this agreement in Hamlin Twp. File)

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the re-location of the road in the proposed plat on east side of Lost Lake is approved by the board. A preliminary sketch map of a proposed sub-division on the east side of Lost Lake is in Eden Twp. File.

June 5, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Chairman signed payroll checks.

Another letter is received by the Chairman requesting another meeting between the Commission and the employees committee for the purpose of further discussion of the issues previously discussed on May 20th and replied to on May 29, 1959. No specific information was given as to the issues in question. Meeting to be held June 9th, 1959 at 4:30 P.M.

Commission went to McCumber's B\_idge in the afternoon and also to view the train wreck at Freesoil Village where 13 freight cars were derailed that morning.

Superintendent reports that gravelling program as viewed with two members of the Amber Twp. Board is very hard to describe and he will have to note knaking locations of same on a county map at his earliest opportunity.

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Invoice from Wolverine Equipment Co. was received showing parts, labor and travel time for repairs on No. 58 IHC TD-6 tractor. The labor was a lump sum item with no hours given or rate per hour; the travel time was a lump sum with no mileage or mileage rate shown. This invoice is to be thoroughly checked by Cloud and Engr.-Mgr. and information requested on the labor and mileage, before any consideration will be given same for payment.

Engineer is authorized to order 114 - 6x8, and 6 - 8x8 treated guard rail posts from the Huron Wood Preserving Co., at Tawas City, Michigan, for Project CS 53-28 C 2, since the state inspector would not pass the ones now in stock, which were treated railroad ties. State Highway Dept. refused to waive specifications in regard to these posts.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, and approved by Gamertsfelder, that the hospitalization offer to the employees stand as approved on May 29, 1959, regardless of opposition from committee.

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Chairman

June 9, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, (Commissioner Eddy voted NO on this purchase) that a Model 25-OES Malsburg Steam Cleaner be purchased through the Goethal's Service in Grand Rapids for a price of \$1,595.00, less \$50.00 trade-in on the old Hy-Pressure Steam Jenny.

Robert Pumquist, Vice Pres. of Lincoln Hills Golf Club was in bringing a performance bond in the amount of \$500.00 on Lincoln Hills County Club Subdivision Annex, being a part of North 1/2,  $NE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ , Sec. 4,-18-18; A part of the South 1/2 of  $SE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ , Sec. 33-19-18, Hamlin Twp., Mason County, State of Michigan. (Fairway Drive and Lincoln Wood Lane)

Although a \$1,000.00 performance bond had been requested by the commission, motion was made by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the plat be signed by Road Commission and the performance bond be accepted.

At 4:30 P.M. the Employees Committee composed of Homer Molyneux, Edwin Brautigam and William Brown appeared before the board to continue the discussion of some of the issues discussed on May 20th to which reply was made on May 29th. They were again requesting the 5¢ per hour wage raise, further consideration of the grievance of Mat Dereski to be put back on blade truck, and also some discussion on the hospitalization coverage given them where entire premium of employee would be paid, and premium for their dependents would be less than now paying, and coverage more extensive.

Wage increase was again turned down; Dereski's grievance remained in same status. Engineer Lunde insists on making survey among employees regarding their expres wishes on hospital coverage in spite of previous decisions on May 29th and June 5th. At this time Commissioner Peterson objected to going over these issues again as thot they had not been dad decided, speke his mind very definitely and left the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at approx. 6:30 P.M. after which time clerk made up a list as requested by Engr.-Mgr. showing name of each employee now under Blue Cross coverage, showing the premium he was now paying and what he would be paying under the new M-75

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- June 10, 1959 Special meeting with employees before going out on the job at 7:00 A.M. Results of this meeting are shown by sheet attached to this page. The two negative voters on this were Alphonse Jansen and Joseph O'Farrell, reasons not know at this time. Two of employees are know enrolled in Blue Cross at State Savings Bank where wives are employed and they may transfer back into this group at any time they desire. Gerald Stewart, who has never been in this group was again contacted as to his desires and he again turned down the overage offered even tho! the premium for himself would cost him nothing. Card showing this rejection is on file.
- June 12, 1959 Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Commission orders Supt. and Engr.-Mgr. to discontinue all work in Sheridan and Custer Twps. until bills are p Hamlin Twp. Board was in at 10:00 A.M.:- They want - "On Cedar Street, bet. Sec. 15 and 22, Hamlin Twp., starting at Lakeshore Drive and going East approximately .5 mile the Twp. agrees to pay the sum of \$600.00 for clearing, stumping and grading; The grade shall be wide enough for two-way traffic. Be it specifically noted that there is NO GRAVEL SURFACING INCLUDED IN THIS PROGRAM: ALSO, THERE ARE NO DRAINAGE STRUC-TURES INCLUDED. (Agreement in Hamlin Twp. file)

Eden Twp. Board was also in for the following screened road gravel program for Eden Twp.:- 1. Sec. 27, the west 1/4 mi. on the quarterline - 200 cu.yds. @ \$2.25-\$450.00

East & West Quarterline, Sec. 30, this should cover entire mile -

600 cu. yds. 1350.00

On the North and South Quarterline in Sec. 29 - 20 cu. yds. 45.00

Bet. Sec. 7 & 8, the entire mile, place 800 cu. yds. The East 1/2 mile bet. Sec. 5 & 8, fill low spots with sand and cover with gravel, not to exceed the sum of ......

400.0 \$ 4,045.00

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Total -The County Road Commission will check the fills for muck before any work is done and will discuss this with the township if the conditions are serious.

Eden Tup. Bd. again confirmed their consent to the township paying for the snowplowing when necessary into the Rockin' R Ranch. Thisix is to be done ONLY when absolutely necessary.

Commission were late in leaving for lunch because of these two meetings in the A.M. and after lunch went to Piney Ridge Road. Supt. and Ass't Supt. went to Manistee to watch claying procedure. Chairman

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> A trip was made to the Harry White farm on Johnson Road in Amber Twp. to check on situation regarding parking on the road. Supt. to also check on this and report.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that a car load of 15,000 or 16,0000 ft. of treated 4" x 10" - 16' bridge plank bef ordered from Graham Brimhall. Gamertsfeld also voted yes on this.

It was the agreement of entire board to grade and gravel Lot 13, Rank Block 4, of Hanson's Subdivision, to county specifications.

June 19, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Engineer not present. Routine discussion and no special business.

First order of business was discussion on the disregarding of orders of June 12th specifically issued to the Supt. and Mgr. as to doing any work in Sheridan and Custer Twps. Upon a personal request by Mr. Fleming to the Engr.-Mgr. on June 11th instructions were given by him to brine Fleming's road to his resort, which is in Sheridan Twp. Upon some hesitation on the part of the operator and Supt. about disregarding the instructions of the commission, it was decided to go ahead with this work and disguise the charge so that the bookkeeper and the commission would not be aware of it.

Supt. and Ass't Supt. were called in and a thorough discussion was held regarding this matter and also the matter of obtaining brine from the Sauble wells in preference to Manistee plant in view of the agreement with Pratt, owner of Sauble wells, and of the delay of getting the brine tanks loaded in Manistee due to other customers.

Again the order was repested for no more work in Sheridan and Custer Twps., or any other township who owed the road commission money and refused to pay or make any arrangements to pay. Engineer was not preent at this time, but came up later at which time he was asked by Commissioner Peterson for the reason for doing this forbidden work and he flatly stated that he had no excuse to offer. Charges are to come through as they are applied.

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Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that a driver be hired temporarily for gravel hauling. Gamertsfelder does not agree to this since a mechanicis needed instead of a truck driver, as a truck driver is now being used in the shop to do mechanic's work.

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June 26, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Gasoline, Tire and Fuel Oil Bids were opened: Gasoline and Fuel Oil quotations are

	as follows:	- *		Gasoline	Diesel No.	1	No. 2
	Pure Oil Co.	.00	(Pep gas)	 13.3¢	12.9¢		12.4¢
	Shell		Show I'm	15.35¢	14.3¢		13.3¢
	Standard	(Red	Crown)	13.35¢	12.95¢		11.95¢/1%10
(Low) -	Gulf	(Good	Gulf)	13.25¢	12.75¢		11.75¢ - 1%-10 Da.

Gulf Oil Company bid accepted on all three items. Sinclair agent called about 10:30 A.M. as he had just received his bid from the company, but bids had already been opened and his bid could not be considered. However, it was later learned that their bid met that of Gulf, with a firm price, whereas Gulf will be flexible with market.

Discussion held with commission, clerk and janitor relative to janitor's objection to clerk parking in the garage. Common courtesy to the only woman employee being disregarded, as well as the fact that she was using her own personal car.for the morning trip to the postoffice without charge, and that there were packages also being delivered, as well as many heavy books being carried in from the car; also in view of the condition of the front parking lot; a motion was made by Com. Peters supported by Gamertsfelder, with silence from Commissioner Eddy meaning "yes" to the following: (1) Previous orders issued in Aug. 29, 1958, were confirmed that no work be done on cars belonging to employees or outsiders in the county garage; (2) That no cars, including the county car, be parked in the county garage during the day when they might be in the way of operations. (3) That janitor see to it that the front door leading to upstairs office be unlocked each morning without fail

Motion made by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, that Engr. Lunde be allowed to go ahead with the widening and stabilizing work on the road to the radar site, providing same work will not take more than one day. Commissioner Eddy voted (NO on this motion.) This motion was made after a discussion with a Sargeant Kelly from the Radar Site, who was in to see about some additional work being done up there OUTSIDE of the fence relative to top dirt being put on to hold the sand. He was referred to some private contractors.

Tire bids were reviewed but no decisions made on same.

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June 30, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all members present.

Engr.-Mgr. Lunde asks permission to allow City of Ludington the use of the tar distributor for a day to prime a street since contractor's distributor had broken down. Inasmuch as City of Ludington has previously loaned equipment to the road commission without charge when trouble had been encountered, it was the unanimous decision of the board to return this favor.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that the big of the Gulf Oil Co. be accepted for supplying gasoline, No. 1 and No. 2 fuel oil, from July 1, 1959 to July 1, 1960 Gamertsfelder also voted yes.

July 3, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all members present.

A trip was made to Gunn Lake to inspect place where water washes across county road and washes sand against a house.

July 7. 1959 - Gamertsfelder and Peterson present full day: Eddy present half-day.

A trip was made to Piney Ridge road and found to be in fine shape.

July 10, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all members present.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that Hamlin Twp. will furnish road intersection signs and posts at their expense, and road commission will furnish the cement and set the signs.

A quotation was received from Lawrence Morell for \$825.00 for enlarging the stockroom. This will cover the following: - Build south wall

Extend east wall Remove existing south wall. Resetting of stairs

Two pilasters County to furnish 15" I-beam in place, and

other steel work as required. Country to furnish 44 pieces of 2 x 12 - 141, clear fir joists. Contractor will put up the foregoing material furnished by the county. Contractor will furnish and place 2" T & G decking, except north 6, under-roof County material: - 2 x 12 - 14° - 44 pieces - 1232 bd. ft. clear fir - \$150. M.- \$ 184.80

contractor's cost -825.00

> \$1,009.80 Total -

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Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that Lawrence Morell be given the job of enlarging the stockroom at the above quotation and estimate. Also, that a half-door be placed in west side of stockroom and a latch placed so stockroom can be closed at all times, only for stockclerk. Gamertsfelder voted yes on the above.

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July 14, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all members present.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that an agreement be signed by the commission with Alfragu Budgu Co. to repair bridge north of Freesoil at a price of \$7,098.00. Gamertsfelder voted yes.

Board signs tree removal permit for Consumers Power Co. in Riverton and Amber Twps Unanimous agreement.

The board agrees to sign pipe-line permit for the Michigan Consolidated Gas Co. in Amber Twp. Unanimous agreement.

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July 20, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all members present.

Payroll checks are signed by Chairman and a few bills also reviewed, approved and signed.

Motion made by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that mileage be allowed this time for Ed VorderLandwehr, who used his own car in carrying out instructions of Chairman on the 5th of July when no one was on duty, to place warning lights at hazardous place in road at Ford Lake. This is a specific case and does not establish a policy or precedant for using private cars for road commission work by hourly employees.

Supervisor Bauske and Clerk John Manales were called in to discuss the debt owing the road commission by Sheridan Twp. on which no action has been taken. Concernin the oldest of these, the work done under No. 2051 and finished under No. S-756, grading through Burley Swamp on Taylor Road, Sheridan Twp. feels that only the latter part of the job is of use to the Twp. and therefore agrees to pay only that part of the bill which is in the amount of \$563.55.

For the work done on the Morse Road, they originally pledged \$5000. on a Primary road project, paid \$3,000. of this amount and then requested transfer of this mone on the Morse Road project which was a local road. This transfer was granted and no further agreement was made, therefore, they will pay only the \$2,000. balance on this pledge. The bill on the Ford Lake Road in the amount of \$1,891.30 was not contested. An agreement was made up showing the foregoing, signed by the commissi and taken back to the Twp. board by the supervisor for study and signing. Their only promise was to pay when they get the money. (This agreement was returned to the office by the Sup. and placed in the Sheridan Twp file)

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July 24, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all members present.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Gamertsfelder, to renew the lease on the water hole at the county gravel pit to Everett Thorne for another year. Peterson agreed.

Clerk requested to write a thank-you note to employees for invitation for the commission to attend their picnic.

It was agreed by all of the board to loan the jeep and gravel-drilling outfit to Oceana County, but only if one of our employees went with it to operate same.

Clyde Titus appeared before the board to question the reason for change in procedure for filling and repairing fire extinguishers. On May 22, 1959, after reviewing a bill for this work which to Commissionera Peterson seemed exhorbitant, it was decided after a discussion with the stock-clerk Marral Cloud, that some of this work could be done by him, thus saving much of the expense involved with this service. However, on this date it was decided that Cloud's time spent as a mechanic would be to more advantage and worthwhile than for him to take his extra time for servicing the fire extinguisher

Commissioner Peterson agreed to abide by the decision of the other two members of the board, and therefore, upon motion by Eddy, supported by Gamertsfelder, Titus is again given the job of filling and repairing the extinguishers. Titus says that there are various valves and small repair items which he furnishes with this filling service which we would have to keep on hand if done here, whereas he would have the necessary items at all times.

Ass't. Supt. Wing was called in to check with him why it was necessary for him to have a har chauffeur for his pick-up as was noted at the scene of the accident where the truck filled with cherries tipped over south of Ludington. His explanation was satisfactory inasmuch as he had taken a man down to the Jackson Vibrators to get a tamping machine and unable to obtain same they were returning to the barn. He agreed however, that he should have been friving his own equipment.

Clerk relayed a message from John Johnson, gravel pit owner, to the commission, whereby he requested a definite decision as to thefuture plans for his pit. He wants it smoothed out and deep holes filled, if they are through there, or if they wish to buy the property for a dumping grounds, he is willing to sell for a satisfactory price After considerable discussion, board authorized Engineer Lunde to offer him \$1200. for the purchase of this land. Letter to be sent to him regarding this Effice offer. Klenk Clerk

July 28, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Upon motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, and agreement by Gamertsfelder, the follow ing plats were approved and/or signed:-

P.M. Twp. - Plat of Barton's Subdiv.; NW4 of SE4 of NE4 in Sec. 14, - signed Meade Twp. -Plat of Trout Run, part of W1 of NW1 of Sec. 20. - signed.

Amber Twp. - Pentative plat on Koehl's Subdiv.; NW4 of SE4 of Sec. 15-approve 13 Jamestofelder Chairman

Custer Twp. Board meets with commission to come to some decision on their bill. They said they will pay bill as soon as they get ruling from Attorney Ganeral. Present were Supervisor Leo Monton, Trustee George Stahelin, Trustee Rolland Miller Clerk Mable McKenzie and Treasurer Adeline Connelly.

Representatives from Tourist and Resort Association, Ken Stephens and one other, met with commission to discuss signs to be placed at intersections throughout count A study will be made and the matter discussed again later.

Manager Lunde authorized to buy coveralls and shoes for George Hansen, Thurman Riffle, Gerald Stewart, Joe Terryn.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the plat of Koehl's be signed. This is Amber Twp. Section 15, part of  $NW_{4}^{1}$  of  $SE_{4}^{1}$ . Gamertsfelder confirms this motion.

Clerk requests official resolution authorizing her to charge off the balances which were cancelled by the commission on the Sheridan Twp. Accounts Receivable on July 20th. Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, authorizing clerk to charge off Accounts Receivable - Due on County Road Agreements as follows:

Project 2051 & S-756 - Total bill \$3,515.82; amount agreed upon per meeting with Twp. Bd. on July 20th, and signed by them on July 22, 1959 - \$563.55; leaving a balance of \$2,952.27 to be charged off as Adjustment to Available Operating Funds.

Project No. S-457 -

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Total amount \$7,131.30; amount agreed upon at afore-mentioned meeting - \$2,000.00; leaving a balance of \$5,131.30 to be charged off as an Adjustment to Available Operating Funds.

Clerk

August 5, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all members present.

A letter was received from the Township Officers Ass\*n. signed by Guy Birdsall, Sec protesting the shutting off of maintenance work to townships. Mr. Birdsall was contacted on the telephone and came to further explain their action. This letter will be answered and a public notification also issued when ruling from the Attorne General has been received in response to a letter written to him by George Stahelin Trustee of Custer Twp. Board.

A trip was made to the Radar station to discuss the maintenance of the road from US-116 to Coast Guard Station. Also a trip over Piney Ridge Road. Some details discussed on Federal Aid Secondary program work on the Custer and Sugar Grove Road. Engineer is to get statistics on these items.

At 1:30 P.M., Commission and Engineer met with Harold McSwain, Engineer Supervisor of the Dept. of Conservation by appointment at the State Park for the purpose of inspection of maintenance road from US-116 to U.S. Lighthouse, including the radar site. Personnel of both places were questioned as to the service rendered. Preliminary data on cost of maintenance of this piece of road is to be sent to Conservation Department who will contact the army for renewal of a contract for a periof one year. No final terms agreed upon at this time.

While Supervisor Birdsall of Riv. Twp. was in, he requested estimates on four locations for gravel resurfacing of local roads in Riv. Twp.

Barton Sproule, who lives on northwest corner Section 10, in Custer Twp., requests action to be taken on drainage along the Hansen Road and Custer Road. Matter was tabled until Friday, Aug. 7, at which time, Mr. Mavis is supposed to be in when commission meets.

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Aug. 7, 1959 - Board meets with all members present.

Permission was given Barton Sproule to plow a furrow in the ditch on the Hansen Road east of the Custer Road to drain a water-hole in his field.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that ordinary maintenance work be resumed in Sheridan Twp. inasmuch as the Twp. Board has now signed a definite agreement for payment of outstanding project accounts, payment to be made as soon as they receive funds to cover same.

Aug. 11, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all members present.

The price of \$1200. offered to John Johnson for his gravel pit property in Riverton Twp was reported acceptable by Mr. Johnson. The money is to be deposited in Escrow Account in the National Bank of Ludington, and they will take care of the clearing of the mortgage on this property and furnish the abstract and warranty deed on same. The \$1200. is payment in full for the above property and services relative thereto.

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Motion was made by Eddy and supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Peterson, that the resolution adopted on April 9, 1957, upon a motion by Eddy and support by Gamertsfelder be rescinded. This resolution forbade permission of work to be done and equipment rent on work other than county work. Althot great detail was given on the resolution of April 9, 1957 as to the action taken, the only reason for the rescinding is that the Village of Freesoil wants work done on their village streets.

Before the above motion was cold, Max Carey, Village of Freesoil President was in with his request for the work.

Aug. 14, 1959 - Board meets with all members present.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, that the Village of Freesoil have their streets seal-coated by county employees and county equipment.

The agreement was signed by the commission with the Village of Freesoil that the abovementioned work shall not exceed the amount of \$2400.00,

Aug. 18, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Custer Twp. Supervisor Monton and George Stahelin, Trustee, were before the board and brought with them a check in the amount of \$1,646.88 for payment in full for the contested bill on Wilson Road known as S-1254.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that while the seal-coat job was being done in the Village of Freesoil, that a double seal-coat job be done in the parking lot in front of the church east of Freesoil.

Checked gravel at Boswell Subdivision regarding approval of plat.

Freesoil Twp. Supervisor, Clerk and one other member were in and paid \$500.00 on their account of \$1441.60 which is the supplemental gravel on Projects S-1858 and S-1958 and the project known as Koenig Road.

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August 20, 1959 - Board meets with all members present. Chairman signed payroll checks, and bills in the amount of \$13,475.72 were reviewed, approved and signed by the commission.

> Mr. Fleming was before the board to discuss the road to Blue Lake. Commission to make a trip over road to see what can be done later this fall.

Commission spent the afternoon at site of Piney Ridge Road with A. E. Johnson, County Clerk, and engineer promises gravel will be put on not later than August 2

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August 25, 1959 - Board meets with all present, regular routine discussion of road work and of state maintenance.

August 28, 1959 - Board holds regular meeting with all members present.

Mrs. Lawrence Cooper was before the board and got the information she asked for a to the stockpile at Cooper Pit and she learned that the gravel was all paid for although not spread as yet.

The bill of Wolverine Tractor and Equipment Co. was tabled until mext meeting.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that a tree removal permit be given Consumers Power Co. for trees to be cut on North side of Johnson Road; 12" on South side of Johnson Road, then an 18" twin elm on north side of Stolberg Road.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the Chairman be authorized to sign the new state maintenance contract for the year from July 1, 1959 through 6/30/60

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that we maintain the road to the Radar station, agreement to come later.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that we purchase a new door and lift for east side of garage and overhead lift changed to west door. Price \$898,00.

Sept. 1, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all present.

A trip was made over new seal coat job in Victory, also to the road that was just finished on Meyers road near Mrs. Sutherlands.

Sept. 4, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A check of \$300.00 was received from Sheridan Twp. which still leaves a balance of \$4.084.85 still due from that Twp.

Riverton Twp. board was in to discuss their roads: 1/2 mile on Kinney Road from Stiles, east 1/2 mi. from north of Hawley Rd. on Schwass Rd., 1/2 mi. west of Scottville Rd. on Kistler Road, then 1/2 mi. on LaSalle Rd. east of Oxbow Lake, then an estimate on LaSalle Road and S hwass Road. The Kinney Road and Kistler Road to be gravelled soon. Agreement signed by both boards.

Sept. 4, 1959 - (ontinued)

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that an agreement be signed with the Wadel Construction Co. for grinding out 1000 cu. yds. of gravel from Taylor Pit, price \$1.60 per cu. yd. on stockpile.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that we purchase a used dragline bucket from Chas. McKimmey, at a price of \$650.00. The payment for this bucket is to be made jointly to Chas. McKimmey and the State Savings Bank of Scottyille

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Chairman

Sept. 10 and 11, 1959

Northern Michigan Road Commission Convention at Tawas City, attended by three commissioners. Engineer Lunde and Clerk Klenk.

Sept. 18, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

There was no meeting Sept. 15th.) Two men from Bass Lake were in to discuss some streets and they will present a petition later to the Summit Twp. Board. (Thiele late sent petition to Road commission and same was transferred to Twp. Board.)

Hamlin Twp. Supervisor was in to discuss their roads. Wanted price on Piney Ridge improvement; also Grave Avenue. Board of Commissioners signed and sent agreement to Hamlin Twp. board for their signatures.

A tree trimming permit was signed with Consumers Power Co. on a pole line in Section 17, Amber Twp.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the Chairman be authorized to sign the agreement with the State Highway Department for two Federal Aid projects.

It was unanimously agreed to authorize Engineer Lunde to order a new motor for No. 19 truck.

Clerk

Chairman

Sept. 22, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A delegation from German settlement church was in to ask for 30 yards of gravel to be spread 5-feet wide in front of Church along county road. Unanimously agreed by commissioners to do this work as a maintenance item for Sheridan Twp.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that two V-bottoms be sent to factory and have larger bottoms put on for sanders, at a price of \$3200.00. Also have them welded where needed and a new paint job. Welding and paint job to be paid by county, rpice of \$85.00 each unit.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the Chairman be authorized tosign order for two combination chemial spreaders.

The board members unanimously agreed that if P.M. Twp. will buy the tube on West Chauvez Road, road commission will place tube.

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Oct. 5, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that a permit be signed by commission with Consumers Power Co. to place pole line on Dewey road,  $SE_{4}^{1}$  of Sec. 23, T 19 N, R 18 W, Hamlin Twp.

Bids on trucks were opened at 2 P.M. Bids received from Max Jenks, Al Chinnery, W. E. Reader, Duplex, Stevenson, T. D. Smith and Mottl Motor Sales. No decision made on this date.

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Oct. 9, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that two (2) International Trucks, Model V-222, HP-256, be purchased from Al Chinnery, Ludington, Michigan, at the bid price of \$7,214.85 each for cab and chassis, with extras, making a total price of \$7,316.10 per PUrchase Order No. 2386 dated 10/12/59; Purchase with penalty clause of \$20.00 per day delay in delivery 60 days after date of order, subject to strikes and unforeseeable/(strike caused) delays.

Oct. 13, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A trip was made to watch the laying of asphalt strip north of Custer in the A.M. and in P.M., the board met with the Board of Supervisors at the Courthouse during their annual October session. Charts were studied with the supervisors showing the method of distributing the M.V.H.F. money by the State to the counties. Also a brief report was made as to our financial status and the progress of the work program for this year.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, with confirmation by Gamertsfelder that Road Commission have Globe Construction Bo. blacktop the front driveway, also the strip from the pavement to south side of Stokely Co., cost approximately to be \$300.00.

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Oct. 20, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

In regard to the petition from Mr. Thiele, Call and Daggett, the commission did not take action at that time, but this date met with these men and the Summit Twp. Bd. ar at present is still a Twp. Board matter of disposition of said petition.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that statements of their outstanding balances be sent to Freesoil, Grant and Sheridan Twps. asking for a specific date of settlement or at least part payment before the 15th of Dec. 1959.

The permit from Consumers Power Co. on east side of Bass Lake, south side of Sec. 25, Summit Twp. for a pole line was signed by all commissioners.

An estimate of \$185.00 extra on the grade west of French School on Hawley Rd. was signed by Summit Twp. board. Summit Twp. signed an agreement for the replacement of a small concrete box culvert with 36 lineal feet of 29" x 18" corr. steel culvert pipe and one collar. In the original agreement for the grading of this mile of road, it was agreed to leave the existing narrow drainage crossing.

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292 Oct. 23, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that there will be NO MORE MAINTENANCE on the road to the Radar Station until a contract is signed.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that a motor grader be sent to Gunn Lake to repair one road on south side and one on north side of the lake. (This was requested by Mr. and Mrs. Mowey)

Clerk reports on charges to Projects S-959 for Amber Twp. and S-2659 for Victory Twp Amber's work has overrun the original budget of \$6000.00 set by them and Engr.Lunde is to contact Supervisor Hubbell and ask if they may be billed for entire amount. (Lunde attends Amber Board meeting and obtains permission for full billing.) On Victory's project, the present work does not figure up to the \$2500. pledged and eve the the 1958 work overran the same amount pledged and it was paid on the pledge rather than the actual cost, Commissioner Peterson will not allow Victory to be billed for the actual cost. Therefore, the commission decided to have 82 more cu. yards of gravel placed on the designated roads to make the full amount of \$2500.00. Amber's gravel figured at \$2.13+ per cu. yd.; and Victory's figured \$2.47 per uu.yd. delivered and spread.

(Supt. put 90 cu. yds. on gravel on this Victory project instead of the 82 yards, and in refiguring this project, the cost was reduced 2¢ per cu. yd.)

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Oct. 27, 1959 - Board holds regular meeting with all commissioners present.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that the City of Scottville be paid for two flood lights to be placed in the yard of the county road garage by the Consumers Power Co. The cost per annum will be \$45.00 for each of the two flood lights; the lights are furnished and installed at no cost to the municipalities. They will be turned on the same as the city street in light system.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, to sign the plat known as "Lincoln Lake Subdivision", being a part of  $NW_{4}^{\frac{1}{4}}$  of the  $NE_{4}^{\frac{1}{4}}$  in Section 10, and a part of the  $SW_{4}^{\frac{1}{4}}$  of the  $SE_{4}^{\frac{1}{4}}$  of Section 3, all in T 18 N, R 18 W., of Pere Marquette Twp. The owner of the plat is Lionel Boswell and his wife Lucille V. Boswell.

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Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that we the claim for damages to the equipment involved in accident with C & O train on November 23, 1956, be waived by the Road Commission, PROVIDED the entire claim be settled for \$21,000.00. This claim is being handled by the Auto Owners Ins. Co. and their attorneys, with whom the insurance coverage was carried at the time of this accident.

Board decided to ask for bids for motorgrader with 14° wing, scarifier, and V-snowplow, and powered with 6-71 GMC diesel engine. Bids to be opened November 10th, 1959 at 10:00 A.M.

Nov. 5, 1959 - Board meets with all commissioners present. Regular discussion of roads and also about motorgraders and snow-plows to fit same. Miller Equipment represent ative Ed. Kainz was present, also Huber-Warco representative, Joseph Porter.

Nov. 10, 1959 - Board meets with all commissioners present.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that the lone bid on the Huber-Warco, Model 50190 tandem drive motorgrader with V-snowplow and side-wing presented by the Miller Equipment Co. be accepted at the bid price of \$ 30,720.00, delivery to be made on or before November 18, 1959.

Chairman

November 13, 1959 - Board holds regular meeting with all commissioners present.

The bill from Wolverine Company for repairs in parts and labor on International Tractor Dozer No. 85 was discussed, and a decision on this bill will be made on the 20th of November, 1959.

For work being done for cities and villages when they cannot get a contractor to do their work, a new rate will be set and discussed later. (this rate was given to the clerk by the engineer as \$12.00 per hour for motorgrader, with \$1.00 extra per hour when scarifier is used, operator to be paid separately and directly)

Chairman

Nov. 17, 1959 - Board meets with Eddy and Peterson present. Gamertsfelder out after buck.

Meeting with Victory Twp. Bd. (5 members present). Commission offered to go 50/50 on bridge on Dewey Road over Lincoln River, 12 miles west of M.E.church in Victory

Discussed near accident on Fountain Road in Victory Twp. and whose responsibility regarding no report on hole and the patching of same. Sheriffs report on this accident did not mention a hole in the road.

Discussed Omahundra case in P.M. Twp. Mrs. 0. now dead and prosecuting attorney wan to know if Road Commission will waive claim to heirs. Mrs. O. started the erection of a garage building located on the alley in Linlook Park Plat. At the request of the property owners, a suit was started and an injuntion served upon her stopping the work on the building. The party upon whom the injunction was served in dead, and the administrator of the estate is requesting dismissal of the injuntion. The Road commission will dismiss the case provided the estate removes all of the existing congrete foundation work, levels up the site and all at their own empense.

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Nov. 20, 1959 - Board meets with all commissioners present. Chairman signs payroll checks and board reviews, approved and signed other bills.

Charles Maue, Supervisor of Freesoil Twp. was before the board and got figures on one mile of gravel between Sections 30 & 31 on Freeman Road.

Motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that mold-board spring shocks be ordered for the new grader from E. L. West.

A warning shall be placed in Ludington Daily News about road signs being destroyed; also contact county sheriff on this matter.

It was decided that the two men rehired, Elty Tyler and Kenneth Gilmore, who were two of the 7 laid off in March 1959, will be considered as hew hires which means starting over on seniority, vacation, sick leave, holidays, hospitalization, etc.

Nov. 24, 1959 - Board holds regular meeting with all commissioners present. Regular discussions and inspection trip on roads made.

Nov. 27, 1959 - Board meets with all present. Made a trip through P.M., Summit, Riverton, Eden. Custer and Branch Twps. to check on several roads.

Dec. 1, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

The letter written by the clerk and signed by the Chairman, to Ray Plank in answer to radio and newspaper item clarifying Federal Aid allotment of \$33,549. referre to in the paper as funds received, was approved by the commission and sent to the radio station via Harry Brankert. (this was read on "Ludington Speaks" program that night, and again the next morning on the morning news broadcast.)

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that the Chairman be authorized to sign the acceptance report on the Mason-Oceana County bridge in Logan Twp.

Clerk

Chairman

Dec. 4, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Also, Engr.-Mgr., Supt. and Clerk.

A discussion was held with the commission, engineer-Manager, superintendent and cler regarding the variations in applying the present rule regarding the granting of single days of vacation. It is the opinion of the commission that the ruling should stay as it is at present until such time as the working policy is generall re-writee It is the opinion of the supt. that not granting single days of vacation forces a mate take same without leave and then later accumulating vacation beyond the maximum accumulation (that which is earned in 18 months) and being forced to take same when perhaps he is really needed on the job; the clerk does not care what the rulings are as long as they are consistently applied; the following resolution was recommended by the engineer whom after decision by the commission not to change the present polic "Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, with confirmation by Gamertselder, that Vacation will NOT be granted for less than two (2) days which have been applied for at least 3 days in advance of the beginning of the desired leave. These

2. Before and after a Holiday

2 days may be - 1. The normal two workdays together.

3. A Friday and the following Monday which are considered consecutive work days.

If a Friday and following Monday fall in different paydays, two vacation slips shall

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be approved at the same time.

All of the above provisions are providing the superintendent feels that he can spare the men involved without interruption to the work schedule."

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that the Chairman sign a tree-trimming permit for the Consumers Power Co.,

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that the expense of the trips made by the Engineer-Manager, Chief Mechanic and Commissioner Gamerts-felder to Jackson for Civil Defense equipment for in units other than the Road Com., and made with county road equipment, be charged to Administration Expense of the

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Dec. 7 8, 1959 - All board members and engineer attended convention in Grand Rapids on these two days; clerk also attended.

Dec. 11, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commission members present.

A trip was made over several roads in Hamlin, Victory, Sherman and Custer Twp.
where gravelling was being done.

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Dec. 15, 1959 - Regular meeting held with Peterson and Gamertsfelder present. Eddy absent

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder that Robert Lunde, Engineer - Manager sign the application for tree trimming on all county roads as requested by the Michigan Bell Telephone Co. for the year fa of 1960,

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Dec. 18, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

A trip was made to inspect several bridges in Logan Twp. that need repair, also an in Summit Twp. on the grade to watch the new Huber-Warco motorgrader operate. Went to the bridge over the south branch of the P.M. river on the Anthony road. This bridge is closed to traffic because of the failure of the concrete deck. We Also stopped at the bridge over Carr's Creek on the Hawley road bet. sections 11 & 14; this bridge deck is in need of repairs.

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Dec. 22, 1959 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Regular discussions held and a trip through Summit Two Made.

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Dec. 28, 1959 - Regular meeting held with Peterson and Gamertsfelder present. Eddy absent.

A letter to be written to Miller Equipment Co. informing them that the grader was sold on open account and that is only way commission can buy grader.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder that the Chairman sign the contract for the Corps of Engrs. on Radar and Lighthouse Road. On August 28, 1959, a motion by Eddy, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that this contract be extended for another year. from July 1, 1959 thru† June 30, 1960.

An agreement was signed with Victory Twp. board to repair bridge on Fisher Road, this work to be on a 50/50 basis, estimate is \$5,910.00, or \$2,955.00 each; bridge to be repaired as soon as possible.

Clerk