

Jan. 5, 1962 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Eddy, Gamertsfelder and Peterson present. Chairman signed payroll checks in the amount of \$13,912.15, largest payroll in many years, due to overtime for snowplowing. Only accounts payable for freight bills and discount invoices ~~subject~~ in the amount of \$2,552.96 were signed.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read. Engineer gives details of trip taken on Dec. 29th after lunch: - McCumber Bridge in Carr Settlement, Darr Road, Eden Twp. (one mile Primary road bet. Sec. 31-32); also one one mile bet. Sec. 25-36 in Riverton Twp., known as the Marrison Road. Both of these are tentatively scheduled for contract in 1962.

Stopped at North Oxbow Lake and looked at road widening for Riverton Twp. Board recommended that Riv. Twp. acquire some additional right-of-way to make for better vision and better slope at the swimming hole site; Went up on the Chauvez Rd. to the east 1/2 mile on north side of Sec. 5, bet. ~~Lis~~ Lister and Morton Roads, which is programmed for re-grading in 1962. This is a Primary Road.

Discussed the provisions of the Jones Pit lease, and engineer gave board rundown on the production of gravel there for the first three years of the lease. Bids are being requested for the production of gravel in this pit and others.

Clerk inquires about making reply to Co. Rd. Assoc. regarding Commission's feeling on the cross-monitoring with Michigan State Highway Department when their two-way radio system is set up throughout the State. The Co. Rd. Assoc. had sent out a questionnaire on this asking; "Have you objections to making this tie-in with the State Highway Dept.?" and "Do you have auxiliary power units?"

This had been discussed at the meeting of Dec. 15, 1961, but was tabled by the commission for more information to be obtained by the Engineer. No more information had been obtained and the Co. Rd. Assoc. was pressing for a reply by sending the second questionnaire. Therefore this was marked and returned by the clerk this date, the questionnaire having been signed by the Engineer to the effect that the Mason Co. Rd. Com. did NOT have auxiliary units. It was the commission's impression that the State Highway Dept. would be able to monitor all of our radio communications, but that we would not have any benefit or use from this tie-in from our end of the line. They were to furnish the units, the commission was being asked to stand the cost of the installation, and no arrangement had been mentioned as to the maintenance of these extra units.

Motion to convey the above feeling to the Co. Rd. Assoc. was made by Gamertsfelder supported by Peterson, and confirmed by Eddy.

Motion to adjourn was made by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy, at 4:30 P.M.

Harold A. Hunk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Jan. 12, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners, Eddy, Peterson, Gamertsfelder present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Engineer discusses job to be done for Logan Twp. whose board is scheduled to come in after lunch. Discussion also on additional toilet facilities in commission room. One only quotation on this from the Ludington Plumbing Co., in the amount of \$150.00; also quotation on heat for the stock-room.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, approved by Eddy, to accept the quotation of the Ludington Plumbing Co. to furnish one Modxine Vertical 2-speed Fan Heater, locating same in present stockroom, and connecting to present steam and return lines, with the necessary piping, valve and trap, for the sum of \$298.00.

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Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to enter into an agreement with Logan Twp. on the repair to McCumber bridge as per the following specifications: - Logan Twp., Bridge No. 14, Anthony Road, South Branch Pere Marquette River; span - 54 feet; concrete deck.

Remove existing bridge deck	
Repair west abutment - 30 cu. yds. of concrete	
Repair steel trusses, place steel beams	
Place steel decking	
Pave deck with asphalt	
Paint all steel	
Total estimated cost -	\$ 8,030.00

Distribution:-

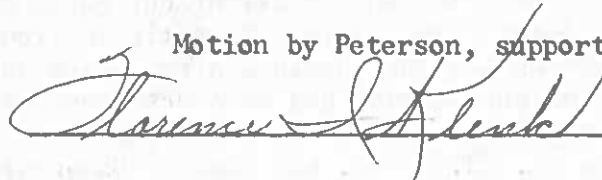
County Road Commission	50% -	\$ 4,015.00
County at Large	30% -	2,409.00
Logan Twp.	20% -	1,606.00
		<u>\$ 8,030.00</u>

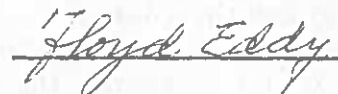
Alternate: - using 4" treated plank decking -	
Estimated total cost -	\$ 7,800.00

Engr. says Postoffice in Scottville is requesting more of the notices regarding how people shall mark their mailboxes; clerk objects on the grounds that this has been done for them for the past two years, taking her time as well as the cost of the paper involved, with no remuneration from the postoffices and apparently fleeting results are obtained, if it must be repeated each year, the printing of which has run into hundreds of copies. Since it is for the sole benefit of the postal customers, clerk considers it is their work, the price of the paper involved would speak for itself.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to continue the program of furnishing notices to the Post Office Dept. to distribute ~~at~~ to their patrons.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, to adjourn at 4:45 P.M.


Clerk


Chairman

Jan. 19, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Chairman signed payroll checks, and board reviewed, approved and signed a few other accounts which were presented re discount and time element such as freight bills. Ed Kainz of Miller Equipment Co. was present to set date for trip to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to look at equipment.

Engr. Lundc reports that Bernard Edel who was contractor for the gravelling work in LoPrete Subdivision put on 500 cu. yds. gravel on street, and the job looks all right altho' it is covered with snow.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, that the plat of First Annex, of First Birch Grove Subdiv. in Section 6, of Grant Twp., owner of which is LoPrete, be accepted as graded and gravelled and authorizes the release of the balance of the payment to the contractor, Bernard Edel, which is now held in escrow by the county treasurer's office. This street, LOPrete drive, is designed as a private street. This motion is confirmed by Eddy.

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Engr. brings up request of the Consumers Power Co. to construct a pole line on the Piney Ridge Road from M-116 north to the sand pits. This business tabled for the meeting until engineer has talked with the Sargent Sand Company.

Discussion on the gravel bid business to be taken in the afternoon, this date. Total amount of gravel to be produced is 41,000 cu. yds., 20,000 regular gravel from the Jones Pit; 5,000 cu. yds. for blacktop from Jones; 6,000 regular gravel from the Barre Pit, and 10,000 cu. yds. from the Brown Pit. Peterson says, he thinks price should be judged by bid on the Jones Pit.

Attach copy of bids here or copy from bid:

	<u>Jones Pit</u> - <u>Reg.</u>	<u>Spec.</u>	<u>Barre</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Total</u>
Rich Cousineau-	.56	.56	.70	.70 ⁵⁰	\$ 23,200.
Towns	.70	1.25	.75	.70	31,750.
Wiggins	.73	.75	.90	.80	31,750.
Utterback	.70	1.75	.80	.70	34,550.
Adnon Blades	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	41,000.
Delmer Stanley	1.05	1.10	1.10	.95	42,600.
J. V. Burkett	.60	1.00	1.00	.60	29,000.
Schworm	.60	.90	.65	.65	26,900.

Opened only two bids submitted for lubricating oils, one from Texaco and one from Standard. Standard bid, 46¢ per gallon, terms 1% 30 days.

Texaco bid, 53¢ per gallon, terms 1% 10 days.

Decision tabled for study of specifications by engineer, upon motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy.

Engineer presents petitions for street openings in plat of Oak Openings, Branch and Sheridan Twp., owners of which are Carlson, Holcomb, Socke, Sanders and Raymond. Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, to ~~for~~ refer these petitions to the Twp. Board and notify the owners that such referral has been made.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to obtain coveralls for the shop mechanics, 6 sets are requested at \$1.37 per set per week. This includes two clean suits each week for Keson, Cloud, Mazeika, T. Riffle, Gulembo, and Gimbutis, and would cost \$8.22 per week.

Supervisor Monton was in to request meeting with commission to be held on Jan. 26 at 1:30 P.M. to discuss recommendations made in the paper reporting the Board of Supervisors meeting during Road and Bridge Committee report. Board agreed to this date and placed same on their agenda for the 26th.

~~There is no action on the commission to the commission~~

Lawrence A. Hunt
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Jan. 26, 1962 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Eddy, Peterson and Gamertsfelder present. Minutes of Jan. 19th meeting were read and corrected to contain the ~~xxx~~ request of Sup. Monton, who had been in that date to request a meeting with the Road Commission for Jan. 26th at 1:30 P.M. This had been noted on the calendar by the Mgr. but not contained in the minutes.

First discussion was on the 1960 report of the auditors which had been handed to Commissioner Gamertsfelder by one of the supervisors, and the clerk was questioned as to why the commissioners had not seen this report. Clerk replied that under the present arrangements, anything given to the commission for their information or study was supposed to come from the engr.-Mgr. On numerous occasions instruction were given not to bring this or that up, and on other occasions when the clerk had given information directly to the commission, it did not please the Engr.-Mgr., so

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if it involved a question which the clerk desired an answer for, it was referred back to the Mgr. to answer. Therefore, unless some specific resolution is made to the effect of a directive in this regard, the information will continue to be given or withheld by the Engr.-Mgr. at his discretion.

Chairman Eddy reports that he got a call saying that the Road and Bridge Committee who had requested a meeting with the commission for the P.M. of this date, per Sup. Monton, who requested this meeting date, would not be appearing for same. No reason was given. After considerable discussion on the actions of the Board of Supervisors and Road and Bridge Committee at their Jan. session, Mgr. Lunde was instructed to call the Chairman of that Committee, Theron Ingersoll of P.M. Twp., and ask him why they would not be here. Engr. reports that ~~might~~ neither Ingersoll nor Villadsen of this same committee could be reached for comment.

Motion was made by Peterson, and supported by Gamertsfelder, but NOT confirmed by Eddy, to have Robert Scott, Consulting Engineer for the County Road Association contacted and request that he come in and make an analysis of the complete operations of the Road Commission.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that Road Commission continue with Texaco Co. for another year at the bid price of 53¢ for lubricating oil, contingent upon their allowance of discount of 1% for 30 day instead of the quoted 10 days. Standard Oil Co. who had submitted a bid of 46¢ p. gallon, had offered 1% - 30 days.

The matter of the gravel processing bids which were opened at the meeting of Jan. 19th but tabled for further study were again introduced and upon Motion by Gamertsfelder, and support by Peterson, with confirmation by Eddy, the bid of Rich Cousineau of Big Rapids, Mich. was accepted, contingent upon the receipt of a performance bond in the amount of \$500.00.

Adjourned for lunch, and after lunch went up North on State Trunkline to watch the Roto-Wing plow from the State Highway Dept. widening the shoulders of the road. Returned to the office, at 2:45 P.M.

Further discussion of the blast in the Ludington Daily News and the actions of the Road and Bridge Committee. Two of the commissioners feel that this should be answered and the public informed that this committee is overstepping their authority as prescribed by law. Engr. Lunde says he is supposed to speak at the next Rotar meeting in Scottville on snow-plowing activities and asks commission if he should also include some of this information at that time. Commissioners Gamertsfelder and Peterson think that would be fine also, but still desire an answer in the paper. Also discussion on whether they are required to meeting with the Road and Bridge Committee of the Bd. of Supervisors except perhaps when the board is in regular session and there is some mutual problem to be talked over. Commissioners say a meeting at ~~any~~ any other time which is desired by them, should be held in this office of the Road Commission.

Clerk presents message from Michigan Mutual Ins. Agent Deake to the effect that the claim of Louis Lund for damages to his 1960 Rambler which was damaged by Homer Molyneux while trying to push it out of the snow has been denied by the G.R. legal department on the grounds that Rd. Com. coverage only covers legal liability and this is not a legal liability on the part of the Rd. Commission.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn the time being 4:00 P.M.

Therese A. Lunde
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Feb. 2, 1962 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Eddy, Gamertsfelder and Peterson present. Minutes of the meeting of Jan. 26, 1962 were read by the Secretary and approved with the following correction. Whereas, during the discussion concerning the postponed meeting which had been requested by the Rd. and Bridge Com. for Jan. 26th, and at which they did not appear, and no reason was given for not appearing, a motion was made by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, that all meetings of the commission will be held at the County Road office, except when meeting with the Road and Bridge Committee in the Supervisor's room at the courthouse during any regular session of said Board of Supervisors. This motion confirmed by Chairman Eddy.

Commissioner Peterson who has now personally reviewed the 1960 report of the state auditors, asked that the minutes regarding 'information muzzling' be re-read as the Engineer-Manager was not present at the first reading. This is re-read by the Secretary with Mr. Lunde present; no comments from him, and no further discussion or decision as to any change in him being the source of all information to the Commission.

Mgr. states he has sent notices to each Twp. Supervisor (except Logan and Hamlin) who have already programmed their desired work,) to come in for a meeting to plan any work they may want done for ~~next season~~ the coming construction season.

Chairman Eddy says he had heard some comment made by Supervisor Hubbell of Amber Twp. regarding the price of the road name signs erected for them to the effect that the Rd. Commission is charging about 50% more than the cost, and are making money on these projects. Clerk got bill from file and invoice for these signs which showed that exact charges were being made, however, it was noted that this invoice had not contained the posts for these signs and that they had not been charged for on the original invoice to Twps of Amber and Branch. Investigation by the Mgr. proved that the invoice had been marked as a charge to Twp. Maint. without using the construction number assigned to identify it to the clerk making up the bill. The bill to Branch Twp. also would be minus the posts; therefore, the clerk ~~made~~ made out corrected bills for both of these jobs which should have been identified to her as S-561 and S-661, and mailed them to Supervisor Hubbell and Supervisor Hunter. Further discussion on the cost, whether or not the townships now getting signs are getting them cheaper than the first ones to erect same when they were being purchased through other companies rather than Michigan State Industries at Jackson, as is now being done. The original cost decided upon was \$12.00 per sign, but was found to be less than actual cost at that time.

The Twps. are now paying for Materials only with no overhead being charged them. The 46 signs erected in Amber came to \$475.64 for materials, making the cost \$10.3 each; the cost of erection being \$206.03 including fringe benefits, the overhead on materials which was NOT charged for being \$28.54, or a total of \$710.21 for the 46 signs, or a cost of \$15.44 each complete and erected. Branch Twp. had 36 signs ~~at a material cost of \$379.94, an erection cost of \$164.~~ at a material cost of \$379.94, an erection cost of \$164. the overhead would have been \$22.80 on the materials, or a total cost of \$566.82, or \$15.74 per sign erected. (In comparing this with signs erected in Custer Twpx. on two previous occasions when only 12 and 16 were erected at one time, it would appear that the more signs that are erected at one time, the cheaper the overall cost is per sign.)

The request of Consumers Power Co. for a pole line on the Piney Ridge Road which matter was tabled at the Jan. 19th meeting, was again brought up by the Mgr. after further investigation by him. Mgr. recommends refusal of this permit as it was requested, and he will advise Consumers Power that pole line will have to be on the east side of the Piney Ridge Road.

Mgr. gives commission briefing of Con-Con information as received from the County Road Assoc. as to the danger involved if MVHF's are NOT earmarked, but are thrown into the General Fund.

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Mgr. brings up matter tabled some time ago relative to extending the Primary Road system in Mason County on a general line with the Campbell Road, into Manistee County to Udell Hills, the ski area. Manistee wants this as a Primary road ~~and~~ and state refuses to go ahead with it unless Mason County goes along with it, which Mason has been refusing to do with good reason. However, the Forestry Service would like something done in that area. If Manistee can pressure the Forestry Service to help with this, in the matter of cutting the brush, surveying the area, etc. perhaps something could be initiated. Since it takes three years for getting money allocated to the Forestry Service any action desired should not be delayed. Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that the Mgr. shall check with the Forestry Service relative to our plans of a Primary Road connecting with the Manistee County Udell Hills area and running south to the Round Lake area in Mason County on as direct a route as possible.

Adjourned for lunch, and after lunch toured the Twps. of Grant, Victory, Hamlin, P. M., Summit and Riverton, checking snow and road conditions.

Returned to the office at 4:40 P.M. and adjourned immediately without reassembly in commission room, upon motion by Gamertsfelder, and supported by Peterson. Eddy's vote unknown, but he went home.

Florence J. Hunk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Feb. 5, 1962 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Eddy, Gamertsfelder and Peterson present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Robert Smith of Smith and Eddy Ins. Agency had an appointment with the commission for 10:30 A.M. and was first to appear. He presented information received by him from the survey of buildings and contents which had been requested by the commission with regard to consolidation of coverages and possible coverage increases due to present day replacement value. Engr.-Mgr. Lunde requested that Mr. Smith put this information in a comparative form to the present coverage and return with same for the afternoon session.

Al. Pratt, owner of Sauble Wells was the next client. He is asking for payment of the 168 loads of brine used ~~in~~ in 1961, altho' the minutes on this advance payment transaction dated May 5, 1961, indicates that the advance payment of \$1500. was against brine requirements for the 1961-1962 season. Mr. Pratt had been asked by the clerk for an agreement on this containing his signature at the time this motion was made and he promised to make same. However, one week later he was contacted by phone and again promised to bring this agreement, same had not been rec'd at the time the advance payment was approved by the commission on Sept. 5, 1961, and after payment nothing more was heard about it. Now the interpretation he puts upon the minutes differs from understanding of commission, engineer-manager, and clerk, with the exception of Julius Peterson, who says his understanding of this agreement was the same as Mr. Pratt's. Considerable discussion on this due to the fact that only 168 loads were used from his tanks, and Robert Wing who was in charge of the dustlaying program is called in for information. He states that there was a period of about 3 weeks when Mason County could only get 4 loads a day instead of the desired 8 loads, on account of Lake County having so many trucks hauling at the same time. It was the understanding of the commission when the advance payment was granted to aid Mr. Pratt in putting up 7 new storage tanks that this would guarantee that brine would be available to Mason County trucks at all times. At the time advance payment was made, clerk had asked the Auditor General's office for advice in recording this matter and was advised to establish a Deferred Expense account, then at the end of the year credit it with the value of the brine used, thus reducing it accordingly and charging the brine to the ~~proper~~ proper category. This matter will be further investigated as to renegotiation.

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With the present interpretation of this motion, clerk will have to seek further advice, inasmuch as the previous instructions would not be adequate.

Adjourn for lunch. After lunch the Engr.-gr. takes up a review of the certification maps with the commission. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that the certifications as of Dec. 31, 1961 are as follows: 179.54 miles of Primary Roads, and 746.16 miles of Local Roads, and authorizing the Chairman to sign these certification maps.

Mr. Smith, of the Smith and Eddy Agency, again appeared with the comparative figures requested, arranged as follows:

<u>New P. I. P. Form</u>		<u>Present Form</u>	
\$ 118,000.00	Garage Building	\$90,000.00	Garage Building
55,000.00	Garage Contents	50,000.00	Garage Contents
1,300.00	Radio Antenna	1,200.00	Radio Antenna
13,000 (15,000)	Metal Storage Building	8,000.00	Metal Storage Building
4,500.00	Contents of Storage Building	4,000.00	Contents of Storage Bldg.
5,500.00	Frame Barn	5,000.00	Frame Barn
2,200.00	Contents of Frame Barn	none	Contents of Frame Barn
6,000.00	Oil Tank and Equipment	5,800.00	Oil Tank and Equipment
2,500.00	" " " "	2,300.00	" " " "
125.00	Frame Pump & Valve House	100.00	Frame Pump & Valve House
125.00	Contents of Valve House	100.00	Contents of Valve House
Replacement Cost Coverages at 90% of the above schedule			
\$ 189,225.00	(1st installment \$1,407.83	\$ 166,500.00	Total premium on the above at renewal rates.
	Subsequent " 1,238.89	1,821.08	
\$100.00 deductible on windstorm and hail.			

This matter is tabled until the next meeting of the commission on Feb. 16, 1962.

Mgr. has letter from Clerk of Sheridan Twp. requesting a meeting with the commission relative to work they want done for the coming construction season. Clerk asks commission to set policy for township participation before any of these meetings begin. Read them the letter from Auditor General's Office under date of June 28, 1960, as to how participation and payments should be scheduled. Commissioner Peterson says he doesn't believe it, and Commissioner Gamertsfelder says that you can't cut them off all at once if they don't have the money on hand, they will have to be educated gradually. Discussion follows to the effect that if they had unexpended balances to pledge for road work they would not be able to put in for their one mill from the tax collections. No policy is set and Sheridan Twp. is scheduled to appear on February 16, 1962.

Thomas A. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Feb. 16, 1962 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Eddy, Peterson and Gamertsfelder present. Secretary read minutes of the previous meeting which were approved as read.

Sheridan Twp. Bd. represented by Supervisor Florian Kaminski, Clerk Helen Budzynski, Treasurer Nettie Morse, and Corliss Gulembo, Trustee, were present to discuss program for road improvements in their township.

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The following is Engineer Lunde's summary of the discussion which was closely followed by the group on township maps. During the general discussion, which contained questions concerning the specifications of a Primary Road, requirements for a road in a Plat to be accepted by the Road Commission, etc., doubt was expressed by Gulembo as to whether Sherida Twp. is receiving their fair share of maintenance work from the Motor Vehicle Highway Funds. He was NOT reminded that not only are they receiving their share, but in view of the charge-offs given them on construction work, they have received over a year's maintenance money in advance.

Summary by Engr. Lunde:- Sheridan Township Board requested the following maintenance work done:-

- (1) - Remove brush and re-shape Benson road from the Dewey Road, north
- (2) - Place some warning signs at Junction of Larsen and Dewey Roads.
- (3) - Level up an old sand borrow pit on Morse Road in Section 20.
- (4) - Repair culvert in dip on Morse Road in Section 29.
- (5) - Raise road grade in swamp at Junction of Fountain and Budzynski Roads.
Considerable discussion on this local road problem. This job could be very expensive. Soundings are to be made to determine depth of muck, and amount of work that may be required to do this fill. No offer of Township participation was made.
- (6) - As to a construction program for 1962, the township board requested the estimated cost of some drainage and gravel surfacing on one mile of road known as the Morse Road in Section 29, between Sugar Grove and Dewey Roads. Estimate to be ready for their annual meeting late in March.
- (7)- Township discussed a program of Road name signs with no action taken on this.

Motion by Peterson, that the insurance schedule as presented by Bob Smith at the Feb. 5, 1962, meeting be accepted as effective on Jan. 1, 1962, with the provision that further investigation be made regarding the coverages which are on all buildings and contents and may be revised at any time. This motion was supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy.

Mgr. presents a letter from Branch Twp. Clerk to the effect that they have no plans for any construction work in their township for the coming season.

Mgr. also presented a notice of hearing from the Attorney General regarding the abandonment of Centre Avenue of the plat of R. H. Little Addition to Bass Lake Park, Mason County, Michigan, in Summit Township. This notice asked the following questions:-

Question (1) - Is there any objection to the granting of the petition and if so, what are the objections.

Answer - There are no objections.

Question (2) - Does the commission intend to have legal counsel file an appearance in the proceedings?

Answer - NO.

Question (3) - Whether there are any public utilities or public installations which would be affected by this proposed vacating or alteration and if so, what they consist of.

Answer - The Engineer of the Road Commission will contact the Consumers Power Co. to ascertain this information.

Asphalt Salesman Fox was present and adjourned with the commission for lunch at 12:00 noon. Interim of afternoon spent in checking roads in the northern half of the county, returning to the commission building at 4:00 P.M., and adjourning with reconvening. Motion to adjourn at 4:05 P.M. by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy.

Harmon A. Lunde

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

February 20, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of Feb. 16th meeting read and approved as read.

Carl Schulz was in to request that the Road Commission equipment snow-plow the circular drive at Our Saviour Lutheran church just west of Scottville on US-10. Considerable discussion on the obligation or extent of road commission's ability to render such services, free gratis. Mr. Schulz request was that this be done in order to wing back the drifts which were obscuring vision when coming out onto the highway from the church driveway. They had plowed this drive but the amount of snow had become so excessive that there was no place they could move it with the equipment they had. Commission Peterson made a motion, which was supported by Gamertsfelder, to plow this driveway just once as an emergency assist. Eddy voted yes on this.

Three Riverton residents, Carlyn Peterson, Lawrence Lundberg and William Schultz, were in with a signed petition requesting that the Marrison Road from Scottville Rd. to Stiles Rd. be blacktopped. This is a Primary Road, and they claim a big volume of traffic. Petition had 43 signers and was placed on file as a matter of record.

Riverton Township Board met with the commission to discuss the 1962 construction program: -

- (1) - Presented a petition signed by 102 persons requesting that Anthony Road from Stiles Road, west, a distance of two miles, be made a Primary Road. They also agree to pay \$2500. dollars per mile when this is done and grading is started.
- (2) - Adverse weather prevented a detailed study of a program for the year, however they are interested in programming as soon as possible approximately four miles of gravel resurfacing of about 800 cubic yards per mile.
- (3) - Discussed drainage problem along road between Sections 34 and 35. The Drainage Commissioner will contact us on this.

Lawrence Lundberg
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

March 2, 1962 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Peterson, Eddy and Gamertsfelder present. Minutes of the Feb. 23, meeting were read by Secretary and approved as read.

Considerable discussion among commissioners and clerk as to recommendations of Auditor Tavohnen as to the billing of work done for others outside the certified county road system. Commission maintains that years of practice cannot be drastically terminated, especially during this extra heavy snow period. Snow-plowing at the air-port discussed. Shop Foreman Keson work 2½ hours with Motor-Grader on this, together with two other operators and their equipment, State Highway truck work there two hours, for which they are going to bill the airport \$30.00. ~~Subcontract~~ Road commission services will also be billed to them.

William Schanals and wife appeared at the board meeting to discuss possible renovation of present V-bottom hauling operations. Schanals claims he is now the owner of this company, the former H. V. Young Oil Co. of Gladwin.

Considerable discussion again on the Sauble Well agreement with Pratt who sent a bill for the 168 loads of brine used in 1961, in the amount of \$504.00, showing credit of \$420. to be applied against the advance payment of \$1500. made to him on Sept. 5, 1961. Clerk had ~~now~~ written to the Auditor General's office for advice on this matter, and Auditor Tavohnen had the letter with him while in this office in February. His oral advice to the clerk to convey to the commission was that this matter should not have been handled this way to begin with, and should now be renegotiated so that the Road Commission will have something to show for the money expended.

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This will be further discussed on Friday March 9th, when Bob Scott, consultant, plans to be present to talk with the commission.

Adjourned for lunch about 12:30 P.M., reassembled at 3:00 P.M.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to advertise in state paper for truss analysis and materials to repair McEmber (McCumber) bridge in Logan Twp., with a corr. paved metal deck.

(No advertisement to be placed until the agreement from Logan Twp. is received)

Also to advertise for bids for road material, bid opening date to be March 30, 1962; for Grader Blades, Corr. metal culverts, concrete culvert pipe; steel beam guard rail asphalt, all Mc & SC grades; and Emulsion.

Moved to adjourn at 4:06 P.M. upon motion by Peterson, support by Gamertsfelder, an confirmation by Eddy.

Storace J. Alen
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

March 5, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read. Chairman signed payroll checks, no other bills were vouchered at this time.

Further discussion on doing work outside the county road system.

Engineer reads from law, that County Road Commission does NOT have the right to refuse to approve a plat to which there is no public road; but the owners of said ~~plat~~ plat must, at their own expense, build a road to the plat.

Motion by Peterson and supported by Gamertsfelder, with confirmation by Eddy, that a \$2000. performance bond or certified check be required of the Porter-Mulder Land Co. who are applying for this plat. This subdivision is located in the Northwest part of Section 20, of Meade Twp.

On the plat of Elmer Nelson, he is to be advised that when he has a sketch made by a licensed surveyor, then the Road Commission will consider the preliminary sketch.

On the street closing Northeast side of Bass Lake, the hearing is March 6th. Contacted the General Telephone Co. and Consumers Power. Consumers have no objection and Gen. Telephone Co. do not object as long as there are easements for lines to the houses. Engineer Lunde notified the Attorney General accordingly.

Engr. reads item from Michigan Contractor and Builder to the effect that Ionia County Road Commission has received \$50,000 by transfer from the Board of Supervisors for snow removal costs.

A letter was read from Pleasant View School regarding guard rail around Swanson's Pond. Also want signs for school area to slow up traffic.

Henry Agens from P.M. Twp. was in to ask to have the P.M. Townhall parking lot plowed out as his wedding anniversary party is to be celebrated there. It has been plowed once but has been filled in again. The commission refused to do this on basis of previous discussions that this outside work has to be terminated even tho' gradually. Since the celebration to be held there was strictly a private affair, it would not be logical that the road commission would furnish such services.

Engr. reports that the Ludington recording of snowfall is now at 101 inches.

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Adjourned for lunch in Ludington, and afterwards went to inspect the bridge on the Dennis Road. Went to Piney Ridge road to look at the proposed Nelson Plat.

General discussion on stockroom procedures and general operations. Engineer retired to his office to terminate this unpleasant subject.

Motion to adjourn was made by Julius Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy; motion being made at 4:36 P.M.

Flarence A. Hensh
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

March 9, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting and same were approved as read.

Robert Scott, consultant, was present to talk with the commission about the aims to be achieved in keeping operations along with the state averages.

He recommends especial attention to the number of employees on the payroll and illustrates how and why there should be a certain minimum percentage of the revenue, whereby each man is furnished with materials and equipment, and yet leaving operating funds for new equipment and contracting of outside work.

Special emphasis was placed on the replacement of old work out equipment or that which is costing more to maintain than it is worth. The average depreciation is 13. and Mason Co. Rd. Com's. is about 7.8%, which means that a lot of the equipment is fully depreciated and probably should be replaced, the average age of the equipment being 12.8 years whereas 8 years is the maximum years given on the depreciation schedule for the life of the heavy equipment and 5 years for light equipment.

The average equipment cost is 39.5% and ours is 40.7, compared to an average of 42% rental earned, whereas ours is 36.5%; the average being a gain of 2.5% whereas Mason Co. shows a loss of 4.2%.

Scott figures that a good rule for depreciation of equipment is the 5 or 8 years designated or 120% of the orig. cost whichever occurs first, after that it is better to replace it. With the present revenue, replacement for Mason Co. Rd. Com. should be made by purchasing at least \$79,000. worth per year until the fleet is renovated.

The averages at which to aim are 42.0%, for direct repairs; 21.0% for Indirect; 13.5% for operating, and 22.7% for depreciation.

Graham Brimhall was present part of this session.

In the afternoon the discussion was resumed. Clerk was requested to read the minute of the meeting where the motion was made to hire Robert Scott and there was no mention made at that time of the money to be paid for this service. The motion is now made by Commissioner Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, and confirmed by Eddy, (yes vote is therefore unanimous) that \$1,000.00 be paid for these services; \$500. of which will be paid in April and the remaining \$500. in the fall when the complete analysis of operations has been made.

Motion by Peterson supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy to adjourn at 4:45 P.M.

Flarence A. Hensh
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

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March 16, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Bob Smith of Smith and Eddy present to explain further on the insurance coverage. There are some items in the garage storage building which must be changed in order to keep rates previously quoted. On the pipe that goes up through the roof from the Steam Jenny, it must be an approved "B" type, and that would be okay. The present inspector did not charge for this unapproved installation; the present rate allows for only 5 barrels of oil to be stored in the building; there are more at this time; engineer says same will be remedied to comply. Smith also recommends 2 - 2½ gallon approved Foamite fire extinguishers; as one fire extinguisher for each 2500 sq. ft. is required. \$2.00 per thousand extra on these discrepancies; gasoline and fuel oil as liquids will NOT be under this policy; will have to write a separate policy on this, but will be with the same company so that no coverages will overlap. The 2 storage tanks underneath the ground are covered under this main policy, but the liquids have to be under a separate policy.

The coverage will be \$189,289.00 on the main policy at a premium first year of \$1,407.8 and next four years at \$1238.88; the policy itself will not show the breakdown of the coverages but a schedule will be furnished for the benefit of the auditors. This schedule of coverages under this plan is available only to government, school districts and churches.

Discussion on car wreck with #236, which has not yet been repaired. Clerk instructed to call Herman Deake, Local Mich. Mutual representative, and he says Wierenga at G.R., the claims adjuster would have to give us the status of this matter. Clerk then called G.R. and received the following information: Report filed was not on the regular form and W had intended to contact Lumde on this. On Feb. 8th, a form letter was sent to the Cobbs who were the people who caused this damage, and were reportedly uninsured.

They were notified that there would be a claim against them, but the insurance company had taken no further action since telling the Rd. Com. to go ahead and have the car repaired at the Benedict Bump Shop in Ludington. He had to order the parts and had not yet notified Engr. that same had been received. Engr. then checks with Benedict and finds that parts have been there for about a week. Insurance company says until they have a bill for these repairs and have actually paid out money for same, they have no basis on which to try to collect from the Cobbs. The estimate of the damage is \$215.29, of which \$50.00 would be deductible under the policy, the repairs might be more. Road Commission could take a cash settlement of \$165.29. The present book value of the 1958 Ford is \$488.54. Discussion on whether to repair this car; take cash offered and put it towards a new car; Peterson not in favor of this; matter tabled.

Engineer shows commission on county maps that Freesoil Twp. has requested in the way of new construction for 1962. This township still owes the Road Commission on the Freeman Road and the Hilden gravelling which was supposed to be paid up by the end of 1961, but which still shows a balance of \$1,308.60. Mgr. instructs clerk to send them an itemized bill of the original amount, the payments made, show the balance and also quote the original agreement. Statement is made and sent to the supervisor, clerk and treasurer.

Meeting adjourned for lunch and after lunch the following trip was taken: - inspected ~~(1)~~ ~~the~~ The mile north of Bachelor Cemetery, on which Sherman Twp. wants a grading agreement.

~~(2)~~ Went to Sherman Twp. and up ~~the~~ into Freesoil, Sec. 28 & 29, Tottle Road. On this road, the township is asking for drainage and gravel surfacing.

~~(3)~~ On the Darr Road, to the Sauble River crossing bridge; on which Freesoil Twp. is asking for an estimate on necessary repairs.

Over into Grant Twp., Freeman Creek culvert crossing, Section 26; Grant Twp. is asking for an estimate on repairs on this culvert.

Went over to the Dennis Road, Section 8, Victory Twp., and looked at the culvert on which concrete is being laid.

Went over into Hamlin Twp; to look at blacktop South Bayou to M-116, on Lakeshore Drive.

Went over to South Fisher Road, got stuck once; then over to Sugar Grove Road and really got stuck; came east on Sugar Grove road which has been newly gravelled over to Highway US-31; some very bad spots in this 3 miles. Motorgrader had to be summoned to get No. 236 out of the mud.

After return to the office, all muddy and mad, a letter from the Employees Union was introduced requesting a meeting for the purpose of discussing changes in the working policy. Clerk is requested to reply to this stating that when a letter is received setting forth the specific points which they want to discuss, the meeting date will be set approximately two weeks after the receipt of this complete information.

A petition has also been brought in while commission were absent, presented to Robert Wing, who brought it up to the clerk. This was a petition containing 58 ~~sign~~ signers from Freesoil Twp. who want the Koenig road gravelled. This petition was referred back to the signer, Geo. Osmaloski, with suggestion that this be taken up with the Freesoil Twp. Board, since any local construction must be done by funds other than those of the Road Commission, and must originate with the township board.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, and supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy to adjourn at 5:00 P.M.

Stearns J. Henk

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

March 19, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Payroll checks signed by Chairman and reviewed by other members. Clerk read minutes of previous meeting and same were approved as read.

Since this meeting was held a day early in order for commissioners to attend the annual Highway convention in G.R. starting on March 20th thru' 22nd, no bills were signed except for Joe O'Farrell's gravel (\$895.50) and commission share of hospitalization \$449.54 to Michigan Hospital Service.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson to adjourn meeting at 2:30 P.M.

Stearns J. Henk

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

March 30, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Clerk read minutes of previous meeting and same were approved as read.

Ins. bids had been advertised with opening date set as Apr. 5th, at 2:00 P.M., but extension is now given of one week and a day upon motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and ~~unfix~~ confirmed by Eddy, in order to give insurance companies more time to compile their quotations.

Motion by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, for Chairman to sign the permit for the Consumers Power Co. for a pole line along east side of Piney Ridge Road as suggested by Engr. after original request was received.

Performance bond in the amount of \$2,000. taken with the St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Co. of St. Paul, Minnesota by the Porter-Mulder Land Co. has been received. Engr. checked with local Smith and Eddy Agency and finds that this is a good company; signing of the plat having been contingent upon the receipt of this bond. Commissioner Gamertsfelder's name is not correct and the name of the former County Clerk is there on instead of the present one.

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Motion by Peterson and supported by Gamertsfelder that performance bond be accepted and plat be signed for the Sauble River Shores Subdivision.

Grant Twp. Supervisor Helminiak, wants comment from commission on their feeling about selling some of the 20 acres now a county pit in Grant Twp. which they ~~want~~ would like to obtain for a township dumping grounds. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, that road commissioners do not want to sell any part of it, and it is unanimously rejected.

Grant Twp. also wants an estimate on the Freeman Creek Crossing and it will need at least three 6-foot culverts and they will be 40' long. This would be plus head-walls and guard rail. The three tubes would be \$1200 plus the collars. If Grant Twp. would buy the materials the road commission would do the installation. Commission agrees that this should be done as has been done for other townships.

Engr. reports that Ed. Larsen, his Ass't is up in Freesoil Twp. this date, checking drainage and gravel on the mile that they want done; they also ask for repairs on the bridge north of the Darr School; this is a local road; Sorenson of Yeager's brought figures on this today. Would take a 12-ton load when it was down according to these plans; cost of materials estimate for steel only, would be around \$3700. Asphalt decking would be extra of about \$300. Labor and equipment would be \$1800. more if they do the work; total estimated cost would be \$5800. and another \$250. to paint it. Up to commission whether to go ahead on this basis.

Engr. says he has a bid on No. 26 pickup which is now in the junk pile; when this was received, he placed a notice on the bulletin board giving others a chance to bid. This bid from Melvin Davies, Route 1, Custer was for \$50.00 as is, but without the tires. Only one other bid was received after the posting, and that from Louis Lund, who bid \$10.00 without the tires, or \$25.00 with tires.

Commissioner Peterson does not think it well that Louis Lund, an employee, should obtain too much from the Road Commission, even on this bid basis, as it does not look right. Discussion as to whether the tires would be used if retained. There are five other pieces of equipment which could use this size 600 x 16, but three of them are mowers, and Peterson is doubtful if they would be put on instead of buying new when the time came. Engr. says he will look at tires and see if they are worth more than is being offered for them on the pickup. Peterson says ask at least \$75.00 for No. 26 with tires and bidder can take it or leave it. (No report on the tire inspection after lunch)

Engr. presents a request from Hanson Subdiv. residents about the traffic situation up in that area. About 90 children in the area of Bryant street which is a regular speedway. They want signs put up, and this becomes another round-robin with the Sheriff's Dept. to whom it is being referred, and also to the ~~twp.~~ for action.

Two Amber Twp. Residents, Louis Osborn, and Burton Carter, were in to see about the township dump situation, asking why the dump in Amber was closed; what did they do ~~was~~ wrong and what could they do to have one again. They were told that closing of county pits for dumping grounds was instigated by the Board of Supervisors, and they felt every township should have their own. The Amber dump has cost the Road Commission \$225.20 in the last year for filling, closing and fighting fire. Part of this bill is to be billed to Amber Twp. Filling dump - \$88.70; cleaning and closing - \$54.05 and fighting the fire, \$82.45; the filling and closing will be billed to Amber Twp. for the amount of \$142.75.

Roy Sorenson is present for Yeager Bridge and has presented the only bid for the McCumber bridge on Anthony Road over South Branch of P.M. River, Sec. 23 and 26, Logan Twp. Their bid is \$3,194.00 to furnish the following materials:-

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1. 8 pieces 10" WF 21# x 28'-6" stringers.
2. 3 pieces 10" WF 21# x 27'-6" stringers.
3. 6 pieces 10" WF 21# x 14'-9" stringers.
4. 8 intermediate posts for guard rail.
5. 150' Galv. Guard rail and four terminals.
6. 964 sq. ft. 10 ga. structural plate bridge flooring.
7. 10 pieces 10 ga. end dam x 12'-0" long for floor.

For the quoted sum of \$3,194.00, the material is to be furnished, fabricated, shop painted and delivered. Included with the proposal is a stress analysis for the above structure. If the materials are installed in accordance with an erection drawing to be furnished at the time of the delivery of the materials, the structure is expected to be capable of carrying one lane of H-15 traffic with an allowance of 33-1/3% of the live load for impact.

Sorenson tells the commission these materials can be supplied in a maximum of two weeks. Recommendation by Engr. that this bid be accepted. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy, that this bid be accepted.

Engr. reports that on his trip to Lansing on Thurs. with No. 236, there was two inches of water in the back floor pockets. He has talked with Widmark of Ford Co. in Scottville, and he advised that on a trade, the condition of the car would make a difference in the trade-in allowance. Peterson says get the car fixed only to the extent that the insurance will fix it. Benedict can take it on Monday, April 2nd and have it done by Wednesday April 4th. The repairs are estimated at \$215.29, and there is only \$50.00 deductible on this car insurance instead of the \$100. as previously advised.

Bill Nicholson appeared before the board to ask about the old Amber Dumping grounds being used again. He is told the same as the two men in the morning session.

The bids on the various items of salt, asphalt, guard rail, blades, etc. were tabled for study with no date set for decision. 8 representative were present for the opening of these bids.

After the discussions on township dumps and its problems, Engr. instructs clerk to write to the State Health Dept. in Lansing for any rules and regulations they may have on township dumps. Also ask where authority and responsibility lie for providing such dumps.

Motion to adjourn at 4:36 P.M. was made by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy.

Storance A. H. Hensh
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

April 5, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting are read and approved.

Motion made by Peterson and supported by Gamertsfelder that a chain or cable be put up at the Amber Dump within one week from this date. Confirmed by Eddy.

Freesoil Twp. Bd. Present, Supervisor Maue, Clerk Lenida Sobaski, Treas. Frank Rybicki, Trustee Roger Anderson. Twp. Board asked about the possibility of putting tubes in instead of a bridge on the Darr Road; they are told that two tubes would cost \$177.00 per foot. Maue says forget the bridge project for time being until the Board of Supervisors put more money in the bridge budget which is not yet set up since any balance left therein at the end of the year would have been put back into the General Fund. They have the petition for work on the Koenig Road and Anderson says the estimate is too high on the Tuttle Road on which they have previously requested work on.

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Treas. Rybicki is asked how much they think they can pay on this work per year, and he replies, \$2500.00. Township of Freesoil has requested the programming of the Tuttle Road bet. Sec. 28 and 29, at the estimated cost of \$4,083.54. Twp. ~~keep~~ requests that schedule of payments for this project be set at \$2500.00 per year. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that this program and schedule of payments be accepted. This will be formally recorded on an agreement form as soon as the new form is received and approved by Aud. Gen'l's Dept.

Twp. Board also asks that a culvert be extended; this culvert is 1/4 mile west of Village Limits of Freesoil. This is promised for immediate attention. When this is done, the willow stumps along the road west of this culvert will be removed. These have been cut once but are sprouting up again.

Bids on bituminous non-skid surfacing are opened. Bids are received from Yockey Construction Co., Thompson-McCully, Bekman Co., The Hicks Co., Gilliland Constr. Company, and Williams Bros. Asphalt Paving Co. Bids are tables for study by Engr. Thompson's bid different than the rest. Would take from stockpile to the chip spreader. Otherwise road commission would haul direct to the chip spreader. Will be discussed again on the 13th of April. Work is set up for August.

The Bids were: -	Prime Stone Surf.		Double Seal		Single Seal		Emul
	Gal.	cu. yd.	Seal gal.	Stone cu.yd.	Asph. gal.	Stone cu.yd.	Gal.
Yockey Constr. Co.	.02	.67	.0225	.67	.0225	.67	.02
Thompson-McCully	.029	1.44	.029	1.44	.029	1.44	.029
(Includes Contractor hauling stone from stockpile to spreader)							
Bekman Co.	.04	2.00	.04	2.00	.04	2.00	.05
The Hicks Company	.04	2.00	.04	2.00	.04	2.00	.04
Gilliland Constr. Co.	.03	1.90	.025	2.00	.025	1.90	.025
Williams Bros. Asphalt	.22	2.75	.22	2.75	.22	2.75	.24
(Possible error in decimal place)							

Joe O'Farrell, comes before the board to see about balance he claims is due on his gravel. Engr. Lunde says according to Robert Wing's figures, there is a difference in the figures which were used from the gravel book and in O'Farrell's claim. He reports 6,055 cu. yds. gravel and 1400 yds. sand screenings. O'Farrell says he will settle for 7,000 yds. total or 945 yds. more at 15¢ per yd. O'Farrell has been paid for 5970 cu. yds. and the additional 1030 yds. will be \$154.50.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that Joe O'Farrell be paid the additional \$154.50 for the extra 1030 cu. yds. of 'now-called' pea-gravel at 15¢ per yrd. This is to be the FINAL financial settlement, but the county agrees to fill the hole as waste material becomes available by the stripping of gravel in Jones Pit.

Motion by Peterson, and supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy, that NO FURTHER AGREEMENTS OF ANY KIND be made without the full knowledge and consideration of the Board of Road Commissioners.

After lunch the commissioners and engineer went to the Manistee Road Commission for a joint meeting with their board. No minutes were given concerning this meeting, they returned to their office in Scottville at approx. 4:00 P.M.

Commissioners are to meet with the Board of Supervisors on April 10th in the afternoon, so they will come in that morning and look over the annual report before going down to present same to the Board.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn at 5:30 P.M.

Flarence A. Hunk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

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April 10, 1962 - Special meeting held to go over annual report before meeting with the Board of Supervisors in the afternoon. All commissioners present.

Clerk read part of the minutes of the meeting on April 5, 1962, inasmuch as Freesoil Twp. clerk had requested a copy of that part of same which applied to their meeting with the commission and request for work to be done. This excerpt was approved by the Board for transmittal to the Freesoil Twp. Clerk.

Engr.-Mgr. Lunde went over the annual report with the commissioners.

Motion made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson to rescind the motion of Feb. 2, 1962 relative to meeting with Road and Bridges Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

Adjourned for lunch, and went to Courthouse for meeting with Board of Supervisors. Mgr. read the annual report to the Board of Supervisors and upon motion by Robert Hunter and support by Glen Wallace, the report was unanimously accepted.

Commissioners returned and adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

Harcourt I. Clerk
Clerk

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

April 13, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of April 5 were read in their entirety, and also those of April 10th, by the clerk, and approved as read with the following correction: - adding to the record concerning motion made to pay Joe O'Farrell for the additional 1030 cu. yds. of gravel at 15¢ per yard, "That it was the recommendation of the Engr.-Mgr. to pay this additional amount", at which time, the motion was made.

Engr. Lunde commended by Chairman Eddy, for the speedy and nice job that was done in putting the cable up at the closed Amber Pit dumping grounds. This was under supervision of Ben Coolman, and the commission would like to see the same done at the dump in Grant and Branch Twps. Commissioners and Engr. plan to visit the Branch Twp. location at noon after lunch.

Mgr. reports that a new low-boy trailer is necessary. Will shop around for a used one, and commission is unanimous in approval of obtaining prices as this is practically an emergency.

Mgr. also reports that Motyka can have a new brine tank built by May 1, 1962, if he receives authorization immediately. Motion by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that Motyka be authorized to build a brine tank for \$990.00. This will later be mounted on our axle at a cost of \$695.65.

The City of Scottville would like to buy the old dump box in the yard. Motion by Peterson, supported by G mertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, that this 3-4 cu. yd. box be sold to City of Scottville for \$100.00.

William C. Martin, (with whom Rd. Com. has an agreement to obtain gravel from his pit in Oceana County) has an elevator which he wishes to sell for \$800.00. He would like to buy a V-plow from us. He would give \$100.00 for the V-plow against the \$800.00 which he is asking for the elevator and which Mgr. Lunde thinks is a good buy. No decision.

Seal coat bids tabled at the Apr. 5th meeting are tabled again for further study by the engineer.

Two letters received from the Regional 37 office, District 50, UMW of A., one postmarked April 9th, 1962 with 8 requested items; this was supplemented by another postmarked April 10, 1962, with an additional request. The latest one reads as follows: -

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1. Shorten Probationary period from 6 months to 30 days.
2. Three (3) weeks vacation after ten (10) years of service.
3. Indefinite accumulation of sick leave.
4. All monies built up in sick leave to be paid in cash upon retirement.
5. Sick leave to be effective on first day of absence.
6. Dues Check-off.
7. Union Shop.
8. Complete discussion on safety.
9. 23¢ general increase.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to participate in publicity during National Hiway^a Week, May 21st to May 25th, 1962.

The three commissioners had been contacted individually at home by a prospective insurance bidder, namely O. Glen Davidson, Nationwide Insurance Company, as to the possibility of postponing the bid opening date for insurance coverages. This has already been postponed one week and one day from the originally advertised date of April 5th. Engr. shows March 17th issue of Michigan Contractor and Builder in which the bid advertising appeared which was approximately one month before the opening date. This would have been in plenty of time for Davidson of Nationwide to prepare his bid. He is contending that it should have been advertised locally. His first call to the office to pick up the bidding forms was on April 4th, 1962.

The General Telephone Co. is going to put in new cables from Oceana County up along US-31 to take place of the pole lines. They want permission to cut through the gravel roads and tunnel under the blacktop roads. Commission is shown route on the map by the engineer which roads would be involved. Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that the General Telephone Co. be permitted to bury a 25 pair 19 gauge telephone cable through Summit and P.M. Twps., approximately parallel to US-31.

Engr. says another inquiry has been made regarding speed signs desired in Hanson Subdiv. Told that speed signs are all right, but someone should buy them other than the road commission. Inquirer says she will see what they can do with Twp. Bd. "Thank You" letter received from the people who wanted same type of signs on Virnet Drive, saying that they have worked out very effectively.

Commission and Engineer left for lunch at 11:50 A.M.; then went to the Branch Twp. Dump where situation demands immediate action. Will notify Branch Twp. Supervisor get this dump cleaned up before the 1st of May, 1962, at which time it will be closed by the Road Commission by cable and fence the same as has been done at the Amber si The Branch Twp. dump is in the Walhalla Pit, Section 11, of Branch Twp.

Engr. contacts Byron Masten and Robert Hunter who are attending the session of Board of Supervisors, to stop in on their way home. Mr. Masten, Logan Twp. Supervisor was supposed to have shown agreement for the McCumber Bridge to the Road and Bridge Committee and get a letter from them showing that this project had been approved for participation by the County at Large, and showing that money was available in the budget for this purpose, so that the steel for this bridge can be ordered.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, to close the Branch dump located in the Walhalla Pit, Section 11, of Branch Twp., and the Grant Twp. dump in Section 27, of Grant Twp., by May 1, 1962.

Letters are to be addressed to Robert Hunter and John Helminiak, Supervisors in Branch and Grant Twps., respectively, telling them that the dumps must be closed by the 1st of May, and if they want the Road Commission to do this work, they should authorize same by letter from their Twp. Board, showing that the 100% expense in cleaning up and closing these dumps will be borne by the Townships involved.

Insurance bids are opened at 2 P.M. Only two bids were received, one from the pres carrier, Michigan Mutual Liability Co. and one from Nationwide Insurance, whose local agent is O. Glen Davidson of Ludington. Michigan Mutual representatives,

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William Connelly from Grand Rapids, and Herman Deake from Ludington, were present at this time, but Davidson did not appear. Davidson's bid was not completed as to rates and breakdown of coverage costs. The workman's compensation must bear identical rates and therefore would result in the same premium quotation, however, Nationwide quotation was \$343.36 lower than the bid of Michigan Mutual. Since rates were not given, it could not be determined how they arrived at a lower figure. Their representative was NOT ~~present~~ present to explain. The other two sections of coverage were also lower, but also no rates or breakdown of coverages were given. There would be no way of knowing what MIGHT have been omitted in arriving at the figure given, and the auditors might well question the consideration of this incomplete bid.

Quotations were also requested on collision coverage on automotive and non-automotive equipment, coverage for which is available under the Contractor's Equipment Floater. Peterson says he would like to think this over for a week before deciding on the coverages to be purchased. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that ins. bids be tabled for a week.

Commission agrees to attend the S natorial group meeting to be held at the Park Place Hotel in Traverse City on the 19th of April, next Thursday. R. E. Lunde is Secretary of this group.

Robert Hunter and Byron Masten appear before the board as requested by the Engr. earlier in the day. Masten says there is \$6,000. in the bridge appropriation, altho' at this time thi is just a tentative budget for the purpose of the tax allocation meeting on Monday, April 16th, 1962. He says the balance of \$3,285.00 left from the previous appropriation went bac into the General Fund at the end of the year. Road Commissioners want a letter from the Road and Bridge Committee showingg that \$2,409. will be immediately obligated for the McCumber Bridge in Logan Twp. from this budgeted amount.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that the meeting be adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

Harmon J. Lunde

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

(O. Glen Davidson, of Nationwide Ins. Co., appeared about 20 minutes after the meeting adjourned, inquiring about the insurance bids. He was told that the bids were tabled until April 20th, 1962; also that his bid was NOT complete)

April 17, 1962 - Special meeting held with all commissioners present together with Engr. Lunde and Clerk. This is subsequent to the commissioners meeting with the Board of Supervisors on April 16, 1962, at which time the Road and Bridge Committee recommendations were discussed.

Re crossing at Freeman Creek crossing in Grant Twp; cut one tube only from estimate, makes a difference of \$400.; this will mean that two tubes will be installed instead of the 3 originally figured on; 2 - 40' long tubes. Therefore, the minutes of March 30th are amended to "two (2) 72" culverts 40' long plus other materials necessary for this installation." Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that this change be made in the estimate given Grant Twp.

\$2,256.90 quoted on the three~~x~~ (3) tubes and other materials; taking \$400. off as the estimate for the two tubes would then be \$1,856.90. This was based on the possibility of obtaining more tubes from the City of Ludington at \$10.00 per foot. If new culverts were bought for this project, the cost would be \$2,484.00. Mgr. Lunde called Mgr. Cartier of the City of Ludington during the meeting, and reports that this material is available at the same price of \$10.00 per foot.

Supervisor Hubbell of Amber Twp. has brought up the matter of the tree in Sec. 32, on The Fisher Road, at the Backus Bridge, which is near the townline bet. Amber and Victory Twp., and has been used as the marker between these townships. The commissioners are NOT in favor of removing the tree, however, they would like to see some

warning signs put up there. Motion by Camertsfelder, and supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, to properly sign the Backus Bridge on the hill in Section 32, Victory Township.

Engr. Lunde shows commission Grant Twp. map; road between Sec. 2 & 3. Grant would like to have this road extended north to the second row of 40's, ~~west~~ north of Melminiak's; turnpike and put on topsoil.

William Hasenbank is questioning the amount shown on the report for gravel patihing in Meade Twp. in the amount of \$1900.

Chairman Eddy says commissioners talked with both Grant and Branch Supervisors on April 17th in the A.M., and they know about the May 1st dump closing and no letter to them will be necessary. This was a unanimous decision.

The commissioners are shown the forms and replies received by the clerk from approx. 18 counties regarding their agreements with the townships on participation on local road construction projects, and in some cases maintenance (snow removal and dust layer). The answers are varied and for the ones who do not have a specific form, they accept a letter from the Twp. Bd. signed by the clerk of the board, requesting the work they want done and stating how much they will pay for it. The three forms which were identical from Isabella, Clare and Alpena were considered to be the most desirable as to simplicity and completeness, and a motion was made by Peterson, supported by Camertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy, that this type of form be ordered immediately.

This meeting adjourned upon motion by Peterson, supported by Camertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, at 3:45 P.M.

Stearns H. Hunk

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

April 20, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved with correction regarding adjournment, motion was made says commissioners.

Supervisor Hubbell of Amber Twp. appeared before the board protesting the bill for \$143.75 which was sent to him as Amber's share of closing the Amber Dump. The bill was for the filling in and closing; the fire fighting was NOT charged for, and the recent erection of a fence and cable was NOT charged for, but he claims he could get the work done for \$50.00 elsewhere. Motion by Camertsfelder and supported by Peterson confirmed by Eddy, that \$50.00 be accepted as full payment for road commission work of filling and closing the dump during the months of June and July 1961, which was considerably prior to the time the fence was erected and the cable put across in April of this year. The balance will have to be charged back into Twp. Maint. from Account Receivable.

Mr. Hubbell also mentions the danger and responsibility involved in someone going up this dead-end road which leads to the dump, now closed, and then coming back on the twp. or the road commission for damages ~~who~~ should they run into this cable or fence. Motion by Peterson, supported by Camertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, that the road going into the township dump, Sec. 10, Amber Twp. be closed and abandoned. *this was later rescinded*

Mgr. Lunde reports that Hamlin Twp. and Victory Twp. wants a meeting with board on April 28th, a Saturday, at 10 A.M. at the Ann Sutherland place on townline road between Hamlin and Vicotry Twp.

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Davidson of Nationwide Ins. and Deake of Michigan Mutual appear to hear the decision on the insurance bids. After great protests by Davidson that his 'incomplete' bid should be considered, and upon recommendation by Mgr. Lunde that the complete bid of Michigan Mutual Liability Co. be accepted, a motion is made by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, that the complete bid of Michigan Mutual be accepted since the Nationwide bid was NOT complete at the time of the opening. This motion confirmed by Eddy, and is therefore unanimous.

Pere Marquette Board, consisting of Theron Ingersoll, Supervisor, Leonard King and Patricia Schula, Trustees, were present ~~xxx~~ with two requests: (1) Want the street of Russell, Ellis and Gary in the Hanson Subdivision, blacktopped; (2) Want speed signs in Hanson Subdivision, and Bryant Streets.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to request the State Police to make a survey of these places, Hanson Subdiv. and Bryant St. for 35 mph zone on Bryant St., and ~~x~~ 20 mph zone in Hanson Subdiv. Unanimously agreed that the speed signs only are road commission responsibility.

P.M. Board presents petition from Hanson Subdiv. residents asking for 'children playing' signs; Leonard King asks when 'Old US-31' is going to be repaired; Engr.-Mgr Lunde reads the letter from Pleasant View School regarding their desire to have guard rail around Swanson's Pond. No action thought necessary on this.

Mr. Ingersoll is asked for the name of the person he mentioned to Commissioner Eddy as one who had purchased tires up here and was not given a receipt. He refused to give the name, so that clerk could check on the receipts for this sale.

Commissioners then request that the recommendation of the Road and Bridge Committee to the Board of Supervisors which was accepted by the Board as a whole, be recorded in minutes of the Road Commission: - (this was copied from the copy given (and carried by Com. Eddy) by Irving Pratt who had written the copies by hand and did not make carbon copies) - "(1) That there be a Manager, also an Engineer with the duties of each defined; (2) That a Supt. be appointed to have charge of all the men with a possible combination of the jobs of Manager and Superintendent. Approved by Eddy and Peterson, NOT approved by Gamertsfelder - dated 4/16/62"

Signed: - Ingersoll, Master^N Monton, and Stewart. (This was not signed by Pratt)

Discussion with Engr.-Mgr. Lunde regarding this recommendation, at which time Mr. Lunde informs the board that he will be taking his vacation the latter part of June; he says he feels that they have no confidence in his abilities either as Engr. ~~and~~ and/or Mgr. and it would be better for them to start out anew.

Meeting for employees union set for 3:30 P.M. on April 27th, 1962. The requested items are to be discussed the morning of the 27th when commissioners assemble at 10 A.M.

Motion to adjourn was made by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy at 5:10 P.M.

Harmon H. Link
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

April 27, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the April 20th meeting read by clerk and approved as read with the exception of the recommendation of the Road and Bridge Committee on the copy carried by Chairman Eddy, which Com. Gamertsfelder says is NOT identical with the copy given to him. Therefore, the minutes of April 20th are to be corrected as soon as official minutes are received from the County Clerk Jerome Jorissen who has been requested to furnish same from the minutes of the Board of Supervisors meeting at which time this resolution was ~~officially~~ adopted.

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Board requests that clerk put an advertisement in the local daily paper, The Ludington Daily News, also in the Michigan Contractor and Builder and the Michigan Roads and Construction, advertisements to appear two weeks in each magazine and for two weeks in the local paper, on alternating nights. *for Equip. Corp. Clerk & Manager.*

Engr.-Mgr. Lunde presents three requests he has had for surveys by the State Police for the necessity of speed signs in the following locations:-

1. Bryant St.
2. Hanson Subdiv.
3. S. Lakewood Drive

Commissioners agree unanimously to ask for this survey by the State Police.

Discussion on the work necessary on the road north of Helminiak's, the father of the Grant Twp. Supervisor, which location is the potential new dumping grounds for Grant Twp. There should be a tube installed and the road should be raised. Not much to do except to turnpike it; the road is sandy now and would have to be clay stabilized. Estimate of this work is given by the engineer to be approx. \$600.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to approve the estimate of \$600. for the work to be done on the road to the new Grant Twp. dump. Claying work is being done in this area now and the claying on this short spur should be done while road crew and equipment are in the area.

Letter from Robert Hunter, Sup. of Branch Twp., read to commission by Lunde and since letter was signed only by printed initials, it is thought that a signature should be affixed since it is a promise to pay for the work done in the Branch Twp. dump closing procedure. Suggested that the township clerk be contacted and requested to verify the minutes of the twp. meeting as to the closing of the dump and agreement thereon. Engr.-Mgr. is instructed to take the letter to Robert Hunter for signature. (Letter later returned signed by the Twp. Clerk only)

Discussion regarding a culvert, 1/4 mile west of the Logan Townhall on Anthony Road. Guard rail would take care of this and the material alone would run about \$190.00. This would be Logan Twp. maintenance. This was approved by all three members of the commission.

Chairman Eddy reports that the Freesoil swamp project, extension of culvert at the village limits (west) looks good, all cleaned up and looks fine, willow stumps have been removed and hauled away to the old pit in Grant Twp., formerly the dump.

Engr. authorized to place an advertisement in Michigan Contractor and Builder for a 20 Ton (minimum) low boy gooseneck trailer with a 5th wheel pin. The old trailer will be traded in on this.

Discussion regarding Victory and Hamlin Twp. meeting requested by them for work to be done on road near the Ann Sutherland place. They have requested that Engr. Lunde meet with them but he is loathe to do so without the confidence or presence of the board members. Decision is that the board as a body will accompany engineer to this location meeting at 10:00 A.M. Saturday, April 28th.

Engr. Lunde mentions work that John Brandt wants done near the Backus bridge. Wants drainage to the river. He claims that a bunch of elm trees he had there are half dead now due to the water standing in this field. He wants this drained. Engr. says he would like to set the ditch back far enough so that if road is fixed up at some later date, the ditch would not be disturbed.

Adjourned for lunch at 12:30 P.M.; reconvened at 1:30 P.M.

Opened three bids received from scrap dealers. These were invitational bids: -

- (1) Henry Marek - \$15.00 per net ton, as is
- (2) Brody Bros. - \$15.00 per net ton for scrap by garage; \$10.00 per net ton for scrap truck and bridge iron in the field.
- (3) Don Renwick - \$18.00 per net ton ~~for scrap truck~~ (#2000) as is.

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The bid was awarded to Renwick who appeared before the board, and signed an agreement to pay for each load as it is hauled. The material to be weighed at the Stokley plant scale and weigh-slip and check for same to be delivered to the Road Com. office before the load proceeds. Further agreed that no loads will be hauled on Saturdays or Sundays when the office is closed. All of the scrap is to be cleaned up and hauled out within 60 days from this date. /s/ Don Renwick.

A meeting had been scheduled by the commission for 3:30 P.M. with the employees committee in response to their request for such meeting. However, no one appeared by 3:50 P.M. and upon investigation it was found that they had not been notified of the time set for the meeting by the Mgr. A letter had been forwarded to them at the time of their original request for a meeting, that a meeting date would be set approximately two weeks after the receipt of complete information as to the points to be discussed. When this information was received, the tentative date of April 27th was confirmed by the commission and the time set at 3:30 P.M. but this time element had not been passed on to the employees representatives and therefore no one appeared. The date is now set for this meeting for the afternoon of May 4th, at the time of 3:30 P.M., and a letter is prepared by the Clerk for Manager's signature to the Recording Secretary of the Local Union, Louis Gimbutis, an employee, and delivered in person by the Manager.

Meeting was then adjourned upon motion by Com. Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, and confirmed by Eddy at 4:06 P.M.

Larence A. Henk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

May 4, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present.

Herman Deake, Mich. Mutual's local agent was present to discuss the addition of the Contractor's Equipment Floater on Non-Automotive equipment coverage. Upon recommendation of Engr.-Mgr. Lumde, a motion was made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson confirmed by Eddy, that the Contractor's Equipment Floater be added to the insurance coverage on Non-Automotive equipment with \$100.00 deductible, at a premium of \$582.93 on a value of \$129,540.00.

Deake is shown the letter received from the Aud. Gen. stating that a complaint had been received as to the way the insurance bid had been awarded. Inasmuch as there were only two bids, the complainant apparently was O. Glen Davidson who had submitted an incomplete bid for Nationwide Ins. Co. Deake was asked what reasons he would give for such a decision and he said for one thing he is a full time agent for his company, whereas the other agent is only part time, holding a regular full time job on the railroad; and also that the commission has the right to accept or reject any bid for the best interests of the county.

The minutes of the April 27th meeting are then read and the Engr.-Mgr. requests that they be corrected regarding the pricing of the adv. for a lowboy trailer in the Ludington Daily News instead of Michigan Contractor and Builder as previously indicated.

Report was then given of the April 28th meeting, Saturday, at 10:00 A.M., with the Hamlin and Victory Twp. Boards, by the Road Commissioners and Engineer. They made an inspection of the road on the townline between Victory and Hamlin Twp., west side of Section 7 of Victory Two. After the inspection, the various problems were discussed by the group at the Hamlin Townhall. Mrs. Ann Sutherland was called in and the discussion centered upon the obtaining of a right-of-way from the end of the present county road, north, to the top of the hill. After considerable discussion, of the merits and necessities of this road, further action is pending a survey of this road and an estimate of the cost of improvement for a year around road, including the cost of replacing the existing culvert. This information should be ready before the June meeting of the township board.

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Request from Sargent Sand Co. for permission to install new railway crossing just south of Amber Junction, crossing First Street, north and south. The road commissioners authorize this requested crossing, to be made by the Sargent Sand Co. of Saginaw, Michigan. Sargent Sand Co. shall furnish and install all necessary railroad crossing signs, including cross-bucks and the approach panels; the length of the planks in this crossing shall be at least 24 feet in length.

This crossing shall be maintained in first-class condition at all times. The road commission further requests that snow fence be erected along both sides of the road to prevent sand blowing onto the roadway, this fence to be in the pit area. This should be done by them. Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, to allow the above actions.

Engr.-Mgr. presents the commissioners with thermo-copies of financial status sheets showing improvements in conditions over the past three years; how much construction was done, how much equipment purchased. etc. Also presents a new organizational set-up which he favors.

At 3:30 P.M. the employees committee consisting of William Gordon, Harry Bedker, and Matt Dereski, with their regional representative Roy McNich, from Cadillac, ~~xxx~~ came to the commission room to discuss their previously submitted written request for 9 items.

Mr. McNich has a copy of the schedule given out by the County Road Assoc. each year showing wage scales of the 83 counties together with other phases of operations. He is leafing through this schedule and stating where other counties are ahead of Mason County, but being familiar with this schedule, it is known that he cannot make a true comparison of fringe benefits in addition to wages because this schedule does not indicate what part of any of the coverages are paid by the commission or whether they merely have the coverage and it is paid for by the employee in its entirety.

Commissioner Peterson mentions the high cost the road commission has absorbed in the production of gravel and McNich is immediately up in arms at the insinuation that the men are not good producers. Commissioner Peterson says we have a limited revenue and are not producing profit making goods on which to make up our losses. McNich then asks what the policy is on insisting that the men take out equipment which is not safe. He says he has heard this, but does not know of specific cases, the employees with him do not elaborate on his hearsay information. Mgr. Lundie says the door is always open for discussion on safety.

Chairman Eddy tells McNich that the answer to all other items on the request is NO. McNich cannot believe his ears. He appears aghast at the idea that the commissioners have discussed this among themselves and come to the conclusion that their answer is no on all issues without discussion with the committee and himself. Inasmuch as that was the idea of getting the issues stated ahead of time, so that a private discussion could be held, it would save time to have the answer ready. McNich reads off each item separately and Chairman Eddy answers NO, to each one individually with the exception of the previously discussed safety item. McNich records each NO, then slams his papers in his ~~briefcase~~ briefcase and departs with the remark that 'they will be hearing more from him, with other people'.

Clerk retired to her office to finish the letter being written to the Aud. Gen. in regard to the inquiry from him as to ~~whether~~ whether his recommendations were being put into effect, so that the commission could sign same before adjourning. The answer to the inquiry about the insurance procedure had been answered in a separate letter during clerk's lunch period. During this time, the discussion on the matter of organization presented by the Engr.-Mgr. were again taken up, but no information passed to the minutes as yet about this later discussion.

At 4:56 P.M. motion was made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, and confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn.

Flora E. Eddy
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Chairman

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May 11, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting were read by the clerk and approved as read.

Only one bid was received for Lowboy trailer, and this bid was received from F. W. Domres, Manistee, Michigan, offering one LaCrosse Lo-Boy trailer 9'9" wide with hydraulic operated gooseneck, air brakes on tandem axle, at \$2400. less trade-in of one ~~land~~ lowboy tandem axle trailer for \$600. leaving a net cost bid of \$1800. No action was taken on this pending trial operation.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that Robert Wing be made Superintendent of all operations. Commissioner Gamertsfelder votes no on this action.

Commissioners adjourn for lunch and after lunch they are joined by Engr.-Mgr. Lundie who was not present during morning session. Commissioner Peterson asks question of Mgr. Lundie regarding Robert Wing's status; Lundie says Wing would be with the Foremen, not over them, or in other words he is on the same basis as the other Foremen. Clerk then asks if Mgr. had been advised of the action taken in the morning and Com. Peterson said, No. Clerk then reads the motion regarding Robert Wing's status as made in the morning session to Mgr. Lundie; he only nods acknowledgment of having heard the motion read, and makes no comment.

The tabled bids which were opened on March 30, 1962, were then brought back for action as follows:-

1. The one bid on concrete pipe was accepted from the Cadillac Concrete Pipe Co.
2. Rock salt bids received: Dow Chemical Co. - Cubidow-\$10.60 per ton, net 30 days
Morton Salt Co., "CC" Grade-\$12.60 " " " "
Diamond Crystal, "CC" Grade-\$13.60 " " " "

~~Superintendent of the road work~~

The bid of Dow Chemical, for Cubidow, at \$10.60 per ton, net 30 days, was accepted.

3. Grader Blade bids received: -
(These prices were to be firm, and a delivered price)
 1. Shults Equipment Sales - 1/2" x 6" C."DB""E.P" - .95 per ft., net 30
 2. Yeager Bridge & Culvert-1/2 x 6" D.B.C. - .96 " " " "
 3. Gregware Equip. Co. - 1/2 x 6" D.B.C. - .96 " " " "

The bid of the Shults Equipment Sales was accepted.

4. Metal culvert bids received:-

Bids received from Armco; Yeager Bridge and Culvert Co., Beach Mfg. Co., Shelby Culvert Co., Jensen Bridge and Supply Co. and Wheeling Corrugating Co., all prices were firm; same terms 1/2% - 10 days, net ~~net~~ 30.

Identical prices - round pipe - per foot - 12" galv.-16 gauge - \$1.97
24" galv.-14 " - 4.40
Multi plate - 7'0"x5'1" - 10 gauge - 33.55
12'8" x 8'1" - 5 gauge - 77.79

ALL culvert bids were accepted.

5. Asphalt and Emulsion bids received: -

Bids received for asphalt from Leonard; Great Lakes; Standard Oil & Industrial Fuels (Grand Rapids); all prices were identical; with net 30 day terms; SC - .1170; SCA - .1220; MC- .1370; RC-.1395 per gal.

Bids for Emulsion were received from American Bituminous; Seneca; and Bituminous Materials Co., with identical prices and terms.

AE-1P - .1395; AE-3AE-1M - .1395; RS-3 - .1395 and RS-3K - .1495
Bituminous Materials Co. of Bay City would charge \$30.00 for holding truck overnight, no mention of this condition on other bids.

6. Steel Beam Guard Rail bids: -

Bids received from Beach Mfg.; Anchor Fence Div; Anderson Safeway; and Yeager Bridge and Culvert Co., and Armco.

- (a) Beach quotes straight rail at \$1.09 per foot, with flared ends each \$2.50, in ANY QUANTITIES.
- (b) Anchor quotes \$12.99 to \$12.50 on straight, (less in larger quantities) per section; \$2.85 to \$3.10 on flared ends; with freight EXTRA.
- (c) Anderson Safeway - quotes \$1.20 per foot on straight rails; no quote on flared ends.
- (d) Yeager Bridge and Culvert from \$1.16 - 1.25 - \$1.31 ~~per~~ per foot according to quantity taken with \$2.67 each for flared ends; this is 12 gauge; 1/2% - 10 ~~days~~ days, net 30 days.
- (e) Armco quotes from \$1.21 - 1.30 - 1.36 per foot according to quantity taken; no quotation on flared ends; 1/2% - 10 days.

ALL are delivered prices EXCEPT Anchor Fence Div. Baltimore, Maryland.

Beach Mfg. Co. has the LOW BID and Engr. ~~mgr.~~ Lunde recommends that the Beach Bid be accepted.

Motion by Com. Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that the bids be accepted as recorded above in detail.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn at 4:36 P.M.

Florence J. Lunde
Clerk ~~Shack~~

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

May 18, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting are read by the clerk and NOT approved by the Board in regard to the status of Robert Wing as Superintendent.

Motion by Peterson, that Robert Wing, as superintendent be considered over all Foremen; this motion is supported by Chairman Eddy, and Commissioner Gamertsfelder votes NO on this motion.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Eddy, that notice be placed on the bulletin board ~~gr~~ regarding the status of Robert Wing's supervision over all Foremen. Commissioner Gamertsfelder votes NO on this motion.

Adjourn for lunch, and after lunch re-assembly, Robert Wing is present for this meeting. Notice has been prepared by the clerk for posting on the bulletin board and is as follows:- NOTICE - The following is an excerpt from the minutes of the meeting of the Mason County Road Commissioners on May 18, 1962, in their office at Scottville, Michigan: - "Pursuant to the action on May 11, 1962, at which time Robert Wing was officially designated as Superintendent of all operations, a motion is now made by Commissioner Peterson, and supported by Commissioner Eddy, that as Superintendent, Robert Wing be considered over all Foremen." - signed by Chairman Floyd Eddy, and Julius Peterson, Member. Commissioner Gamertsfelder did NOT sign this notice since his vote was NO on the action taken.

Discussion then held regarding the State Hwy. Contract which now names Robert E. Lunde, Engr. ~~mgr.~~ as State Highway Supt. over Harry Brankett as State Hwy. Foreman. Clerk requested to notify the State Hwy. Dist office at Cadillac, that in order to maintain order in ranks of men and equipment to be used most efficiently, that since a new superintendent has been appointed, it is the desire of the commission ~~xxxx~~ to include him on the present state contract which expires June 30, 1962.

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The lowboy which was advertised for previously in the local area daily paper, and which was on trial operation as the only bid received, has not proved satisfactory, and therefore re-bidding is now necessary. Also there is immediate need for a front end loader.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that bids for a lowboy trailer and front end loader be placed in the two magazines, Michigan Roads and Construction and Mich. Contractor and Builder; bid for the lowboy to be opened at 10:00 A.M. and front end loader at 2:00 P.M. on June 1, 1962.

Another letter having been received from the Aud. Gen. office, requesting further substantiating papers in regard to the insurance bid taken for new May 1st coverages clerk now retires to her office to answer this letter so that same may be signed by the commissioners before adjournment. Therefore, the continued discussion on procedures regarding the new superintendent and his duties was not recorded at this time

Board adjourned on motion of Peterson, and support by Gamertsfelder, with confirmation by Eddy at 4:45 P.M.

Florence A. Hask
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

May 25, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the May 18th meeting are read by the clerk and approved as read.

Leo Sobanski, Supervisor of Hamlin Twp. was present. He had a letter from the Forestry Service regarding the property they wish to purchase in Grant Twp. for a new State Park. Also had other questions he wanted answered. Engr. Lunde was not present at this time, being out with gravel drilling outfit on the McKerracher property in Grant Twp., therefore Mr. Sobanski retired to the downstairs office to await his arrival.

Additional letters of application for the position of Manager were opened and read by the commission and added to the summary list by the clerk.

Further discussion was held on the equipment expense accounting clerk job. Commission requested that Edward Larsen be asked to come in and talk with the commission about this job as he had applied for same. He is experienced in this work and also with other details of the clerk's work and would therefore be of immediate help in this office. His transfer to this job would reduce the force in the engineering dept. and fill the job required established with a minimum of additional expense and adjustment. Mr. Larsen is interviewed by the commission and advised that a salary of \$4800. had been discussed for this work. Being familiar with all the details involved and the responsibility attached thereto, Mr. Larsen says he believes the job is worth \$5000. per year. This would be \$447. more than he is now receiving on an hourly basis and the responsibilities would be greater.

Motion by Commissioner Peterson, supported by Commissioner Gamertsfelder that Edward Larsen be given the job of equipment expense accounting clerk, at a salary of \$5000. per year. He is to start on this job immediately, as of May 28th, 1962. This motion was not confirmed by Commissioner Eddy. The job, at the salary stated in the motion was accepted by Edward Larsen.

After lunch, Mr. Sobanski again meets with the board. He says Hamlin Twp. wants to rent or buy a piece of the clay pit in Grant Twp. as a dump for Hamlin Twp. This has previously been refused to Grant Twp; and refusal to this request is unanimously agreed upon by the board.

Regarding the letter from the Forestry Service which mentions access roads to the potential location of a new State Park, Mr. Sobanski thinks the road commissioners should be present when the representative of the Forestry Service comes to talk about the park to be developed in Grant Twp. along Lake Michigan in the Manistee National Forest.

Hamlin Twp. Supervisor also wants permission to set some signs along Lakewood Dr. and Lakeshore Drive, just across the bridges, regarding "NO LITTER" with a \$100. fine warning thereon. These are to be six foot long and two feet wide. Sobanski wants to get these up before Memorial day to take care of this situation.

Sobanski also asks that the Drain Commissioner and the Road Commission meet with the complaining party from Hamlin Twp. in regard to water standing on property of Mrs. Anne Peterson, near the Hamlin Grocery.

Hamlin Twp. also wants the island at the 'Y' on 116 removed, and wants an arrow put up pointing to the west side of Hamlin Lake also.

A Mrs. Wanda Carlock, at the North Bayou, needs 'no parking' sign on highway in front of her place. She claims mail man cannot get to her mailbox and snow plows cannot turn around.

Sobanski asks if anything has been done on the Hamlin Project as yet. This is the graveling which was on the agreement signed in 1961. He says he has a meeting next week and would like to have some report for his board. This is project No. S-1661 and Bob Wing, Supt., says this has been brined and is being gravelled and will be done this date. Wing also says that they are running short of gravel for this job and have been taking it from Summit Twp. from the Peterson Pit.

Engr. Lunde is now present, and Mr. Sobanski again goes over his questions with him. Lunde says that the island at the 'Y' belongs to the state; Sobanski tells of some place where they are getting 2" of hot asphalt mix for what the county puts on a double seal. Engr. Lunde says Sobanski can put up the signs, but if they are not in the right place, they will have to take them down. Sobanski asks what the township responsibility would be regarding the Trailer Park on Piney Ridge Road. Lunde says it would only be necessary for them to post the roads for lengths and widths of the vehicle travelling thereon.

Engr.-Mgr. reports that the state police will be down June 8th for the survey of traffic conditions in the three locations previously referred to them.

Engr. reports that the McKerracher gravel prospects do not look good. Said the test showed sand and clay only. Middle of the pit showed some stone, the rest was pure clay. Hit the stone about 15 feet from north side of Sauble River.

Engr. Mgr. to advertise for bids on gasoline, to be taken for three months instead of a year this time, bringing the next bid period into the fall, when better prices can be obtained. Also advertise for a truck, approximately 25000 g.v.w.; also for a sand box similar to the Anthony spreader No. 84; Also for a tandem truck of approx. 45,000 g.v.w. These bids to be opened on June 15, 1962.

Matt Dereski is in to notify clerk that he has terminated employment with the Road Commission as of May 18th, 1962, and would like a refund of the deductions made from his pay for the pension fund. He would like his final check and the refund of the premiums on the 1st of June.

Engr.-Mgr. says he has had inquiries from Sheridan and Sherman Twp. regarding road name signs. Some salesman has apparently been talking with them and they ask about buying the signs themselves, but still expecting the road commission to erect them. It is the unanimous decision of the board that the townships shall continue to get the signs through this department the same as has been done thus far.

Some discussion on settlement with State Highway Dept. on the Oceana-Mason bridge across Ruby Creek. They have figured that it was a 50-50 proposition whereas Oceana County should be billed for the approaches beyond what the original agreement stated. This would make Oceana's share of the \$8,913.00, \$5200. and \$3,714.00 for Mason County.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn at 4:50 P.M.

Flourance A. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

June 1, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the May 25th meeting read and approved as read.

Bids were opened at 10:00 A.M. for Low-boy trailer with the following representatives present: Miller Equipment Co. - Kainz; Michigan Tractor and Machinery - Symonds; Don F. Nickel Co. - Bennett; Contractor's Machinery Co. - Schoenwandt; Vox Equipment Co. had a bid in but was not represented.: - Bids were as follows: - New trailer bids: - Don F. Nickel - Birmingham Trailer - 30 T - \$ 4,995.00

Don F. Nickel - Birmingham	35 T.	- \$ 5,310.00
" " "	25 T.	- 4,640.00
" " "	20 T.	- 4,570.00
Miller Equip. Co. - Rogers	30 T.	- 6,388.00
Contractor's Machinery - La Crosse	35 T.	- 6,000.00
Mich. Tractor & Mchry.	35 T.	- 6,040.00

Used trailer bids: -

Vos Equipment Company - Assembled	35 T.	- \$2,950.00
Miller Equipment Co. - Rogers	35 T.	- 4,000.00

No decisions were made at this time, bids were tabled for study and tabulation.

Robert Wing, Supt., says he was contacted in regard to the notification of the change to be made in the State Hwy Contract, and Cadillac wants a letter naming both the new superintendent and also showing that Harry Brankert is continuing as State Hwy Foreman. This letter is prepared by clerk and put in the mail this date.

In the afternoon at 2:00 P.M. bids were opened for a front end loader as follows:

Hasper Equipment Co - Nelson loader	-	\$20,153.
Don Nichols	Pettibone 204	25,545.
Earle Equipment Co.	Allis Chalmers	21,805.
Miller Equipment Co.	Michigan	24,035.
R. G. Moeller Co.	Trojan	25,325.
Wolverine Equipment	Hough H-70	20,998.
Vox Equipment Co.	Lorain ML-250	21,950.
Mich. Tractor	Caterpillar	25,725.
Contractors Mchinery	Euclid	23,000
Vox Equipment	Lorain ML-309	26,950.
Wolverine	Hough H-90	23,200
Don Nichols	Pettibone 440	25,430.
Wolverine	Hough H-100	28,700.
Vos Equipment	Lorain ML-333	34,950.

No decisions made, bids tabled for study, observation of demonstrations, etc.

Supt. Wing says No. 50 should have new rails, pins and bushings, and rollers; No. 52 needs to be re-pinned, rebushed, have rollers re-built up, and new drive sprocket teeth. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy to have this work done on the two bull-dozers as indicated.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn at 5:20 P.M.

Flarence A. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

June 4, 1962 - Commissioners and Supt. Wing went to Grand Rapids, to Miller Equipment Co. to inspect loaders and semi-trailers. Went to Grand Valley Gravel Co. where Hough pay loader was operating.

Went to Benton Harbor to the Clark Equipment Co. to see Michigan Loader. Visited factory. Went to Kalamazoo to Miller Equipment Co. and looked at a low-boy trailer, used Rogers; went to Vos Equipment Co. and looked at a used Low-Boy trailer; returned to Scottville and adjourned at 10:30 P.M. without any motion.

June 5, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Chairman signed payroll checks, and board reviewed, approved and signed vouchers for other bills. Minutes of the June 1, 1962 meeting were read and approved as read.

Board then went to Manistee to Edel Construction Co. to inspect a Pettibone Loader and Birmingham Semi-Trailer.

From there an inspection of roads around Thunder Lake and Blue Lake was made then returned to the office. Villadsen of Sherman Twp. was in to see Com. about road sign but gave up and left after two hours of waiting.

Stan Hustis and Lester Jersey were present to discuss the possibility of re-building the 1946 Oshkosh at a price of \$11,039.00 plus anywhere from \$2900. to \$4500. for the parts which might be necessary but cannot be anticipated until the truck is completely torn down. Commissioners Peterson and Eddy were not in favor of this re-building idea at this price; Commissioner Gamertsfelder thinks it is a good idea; no definite answer was given, but decision would have to be made within two weeks, otherwise the Oshkosh Co. will not take these re-building job after that date for fall delivery, as their own production would start at that time.

Jack Mitchell of Wolverine Tractor and Machinery Co. was present to discuss the loader bid.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn at 6:10 P.M.

Starence A. Link
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

June 6, 1962 - Commissioners and Supt. Wing went to Port Austin in Huron County; at the Huron County Road Com. saw a Caterpillar end loader working in sand; also inspected a snow plow for this loader; then went to Bayport and saw a caterpillar loader operating in a stone quarry for the Cleveland Cliff Co. Returned to Scottville and adjourned at 8:30 P.M. ~~with~~.

June 7, 1962 - Came in at 10 A.M., met Stan Heustis of the Earle Equipment Co. and went with him to the Barre Pit where he was demonstrating the Allis-Chalmers loader; went to lunch and then returned to the office.

Met with Ed Kainz and Harvey Rogers of the Miller Equipment Co. for most of the afternoon discussing the merits of their products.

Some discussion regarding the complaint of Renwick who bid on the scrap metal pile as to others taking some of the choice scrap from the indicated bid pile. Action on this to be taken on June 8th at the regular meeting.

Letter received from reference check on manager application of Ward Abrahamson, from Engineer DeVette of Muskegon County.

Commission was waiting work from Engr. Lunde that Stan Heustis was at the Barre Pit where they would join him, but Lunde called in to say that no one was there. Therefore motion to adjourn was made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, and confirmed by Eddy at 4:10 P.M.

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June 8, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Bidders on the front end loader were present to explain their wares. After all representatives had been given their turn, a motion was made by Peterson, and supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy that the Hough Loader be purchased from the Wolverine Tractor and Machinery Co., represented by Jack Mitchell at a price of \$20,998.00, less 2% 30 days, leaving a net price of \$20,583.04. This could be delivered out of stock from Grand Rapids subject to prior sale. (A check by phone to the G.R. office by Secretary revealed that the loader Model H-70, one of which had been on hand at ~~the~~ G.R. and another in Detroit, had both been sold. However, a purchaser who had a Model H-100 ordered and who had been using a Model H-70 while awaiting delivery was getting theirs on Monday and the H-70 would then be available for ~~the~~ Mason County Road Commission, until another new loader had been obtained from the factory) Promise to deliver this loader to Scottville was made for Tuesday, for sure, and possibly Monday)

Motion by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that the Sauble Shores Subdiv. roads, now being acceptable, the performance bond is to be released.

In view of the controversy about the scrap pile on which Don Renwick bid \$18.00 per ton, clerk is instructed to post a notice on the bulletin board to the effect that nothing shall be moved or sold from the scrap pile which was bid on by Don Renwick, and for which he has signed an agreement with commission to remove same within 60 days, termination of this time being June 27th, 1962.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson to adjourn at 4:10 P.M.

Lawrence J. Hunk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

June 15, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Alfred Westol, Ass't Dir. of County Audit Div. and Emil Tavohnen, Special Auditor, pay commission a surprise visit in lieu of invitation extended to Auditor General Farnum. Westol inquires about progress on some recommendations in Auditor's report to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Commissioner Peterson asks what is the authority of Board of Supervisors over Road ~~and~~ Commission, and for an answer he is handed a copy of Opinion #390 which says "Road Commission is not responsible to Board of Supervisors except for appointment, salary and audit of accounts. Also, if a ~~the~~ special tax is levied for road purposes, that too should be in road fund and administered by Road Commissioners.

Some discussion then about how bridge appropriation is handled by supervisors, putting it in as budget item and changing it from session to session; also on Twp. contributions, and auditors say 'it is considered on a County wide basis' in spite of advise in their report that all townships should be treated alike.

Bids are opened at 11:00 A.M. on gasoline and diesel fuel: - 10 bids are received

	GASOLINE	Diesel No. 1	Diesel No. 2
1. G. L. Slaggert Oil Co.	14.25 1%-10 da.	12.4¢ net	11.4¢ net
2. Gylf Oil Co.	14.25 "	15.9	14.9 net
3. Rengo Brothers, Inc.	13.73 "	16.4 1%-10 da	15.4 1%-10 da
4. Sinclair R refining Co.	13.38 "	14.8 "	13.8 "
5. Cities Service Oil Co. (Firm)	13.15 "	none	none
6. Crystal Refining Co.	13.14 " -30 da.	none	none
7. Osceola Refining Co.	12.9 " -10 da.	none	none
8. Leonard Refineries, Inc. (Firm)	12.8 "- 30 da.	13.9 1%-30 da.	12.9 1%-30 da
9. Standard Oil Co. (Firm)	12.6 " "	11.93 "	10.83 "
10. Mobil Oil Co. (Firm)	12.0 " 30 da.	Premier - 11.13 - 1% 30 da.	11.9 1%-30 da

ACCEPTED BIDS: - Mobil Oil Gasoline @ 12.0; and Premier Diesel Fuel @ 11.13 (Standard)

Motion to accept the aforementioned bids was made by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to accept these low bids.

Riverton Twp. wants⁽¹⁾ culvert on Schwass Road, bet. Sec. 10-11, and commissioners unanimousl agree to let work proceed on basis of Twp. paying for materials and road commission to do the work. This would be about \$300.00 each, or a total estimate of \$629.39 by engineer.

- (2) Morton Rd. - bet. Sec. 4 & 9, one mile (a) pull shoulders - maintenance
(b) raise approaches to slab culvert - maint.
(c) Regravel with 800 cu. yds. processed gravel at twp. expense @ \$2.11 per yd. - \$1,688.00
- (3) Harrison Road - one mile (a) trim shoulders where needed - maintenance
(b) Regravel with 800 cu. yds. processed gravel at Twp. expense @ \$2.11 per cu. yd. - 1,688.00
- (4) Schwass Road - Bet. Sec. 34-35 (a) clean out ditch & brush from county drain north, drain commissioner has authorized \$300. for this work.
(b) trim shoulders as needed - maintenance
(c) regravell with 800 cu. yds. processed gravel @ \$2.00 1,600.00
- (5) Hogenson Road, Sec. 23 & 24, south 1/2 mile (a) clean out 24" culv.
(b) regravell with 400 cu. yds. processed grav. @ \$2.00 800.00

(5) (1) Further information on No. 1 here -

Jack arch concrete culvert - with 2 ft. grade level over deck.

- (a) build concrete curbs right and left to hold the fill and prevent washouts - materials only cost to the Twp. (County - 271.89) 358.50

(5) Kinney Road - Stiles to Morton - one Mile -

- (a) Grading and drainage
(b) Gravel surfacing
(c) Double Seal

Cost to Township - 7,775.60

Total cost - all 6 jobs -1962 \$ 13,910.10

EDEN TWP. - wants grading and gravelling of 0.6 mile on Ordway Road:

Clearing - estimated two days work	\$ 240.00
Grading - " five days work	1,750.00
Culverts - 12' of 15" @ \$2.84 -	\$ 28.08
1 - 15" collar -	2.84
20' of 12" @ \$1.97	39.40
Gravel Surfacing - 900 cu. yds. @ \$1.76	1,584.00
Estimated cost -	\$ 3,643.82

This was later reduced by reg. of Sherburne & Council of Conn. to 2000 cu. yds. of work.

Engineer reports Contractor Domres didn't know when he could do work on Round Lake Road therefore grade crew was moved down to road by Holmes School in Sheridan Twp.

At 2:00 P.M. - Bids were opened on the two trucks. These were tabled for study and tabulation and will be recorded when decision is made.

Rd. & Bridge Chairman, Irving Pratt, called to ask if the commission favored the idea of having checks of their own with which to pay the bills other than payroll. This has been discussed previously and upon motion by Peterson and support by Gamertsfelder with confirmation by Eddy, it is unanimous that Rd. Commission have their own checks printed, thereby necessitating only one blanket check from the County Clerk's office, same to be deposited in the State Savings Bank of Scottville and checks under Road Commission heading be drawn against this deposit; and that the Clerk-Secretary of the Commission, Florence I. Klenk, be designated as an authorized person to sign checks drawn against this account.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 P.M.

Irving Pratt *Floyd Eddy*

June 20, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Payroll checks were signed by the chairman and vouchers for other bills were reviewed, approved and signed by commissioners. Engr. Lunde on vacation; Supt. Wing present. Minutes of the June 15th meeting were read and approved.

Dick Symonds of Michigan Tractor and Machinery Co. was present to tell the commissioners of a quotation he has from Hendrickson Co. for rebuilding the No. 20 Oshkosh, a 1946 truck. He ~~states~~ states the labor and a new engine could be furnished for \$7,500.00 plus any necessary additional parts, and this would be unquotable until the truck was torn down. This ~~work~~ does not include a new cab as their man had inspected the cab on No. 20 and said that it was still good.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that a notice be put on the bulletin board to the effect that no one shall be allowed to ride with the driver on the county trucks other than county employees being transported to and from the job, due to the insurance liability, in the event of an accident.

Peterson is perturbed because there are still no Stop signs up at the ends of the west half of the Sugar Grove Road going onto the Stiles Road and on the east end going onto the US-31 highway. Said this was brought up to Engr.-Mgr. several times and he had just that morning had a report of a near-accident there within the last day or so. Supt. instructed to have Ben Coolman put up these signs this date or June 21st at the latest. (Signs are put up June 20th, shortly after noon)

The truck bids are brought back to the table and tabulations made by the Engr.-Mgr. studied by commission and supt. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that the bid of the Grand Traverse Tractor Co., M. Jerry Pratt, Sales Rep., for a Model C-800 Dodge, with a Weston Sander Box be accepted, at a price of \$5,597.00 as recommended by both the engineer and the superintendent be accepted. Clerk to check on delivery date which was not given. Via phone, delivery is promised in from 30 to 45 days.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, but NOT confirmed by Eddy, that the bid of Al Chinnery, for a Model VF 192-A, International Tandem truck at a price of \$11,471.94, (with Daybrook body,) be accepted. Delivery was promised in from 3 to 5 weeks. Peterson says quicker service than expected was obtained previously from this company.

Commissioners and Supt. went to Blue Lake to inspect the road work there, to see if plat may be signed; also went to Tamarac Marina for inspection, same purpose; inspect Sugar Grove Road and found that stop signs were already up on each end of the west section. Commissioner Peterson smiles.

Discussion regarding the hiring of a manager. Clerk reads the letters of recommendation on Ward Abrahamson received from Brendan Daly, Oceana Co. Rd. Com. Engr.-Mgr., and also from Sidney Young, Project Engr. for the MSHD. Clerk is instructed to write to Abrahamson and ask him to come in for an interview with the commissioners on the 29th of June in the afternoon.

Chairman presented communication from the Rd. and Bridge Com. as follows:- "Regarding the request to this Committee for approval of Robert Wing as Mgr. of the Road Department the Roads and Bridges Committee would approve this appointment providing that the appointment was for at least one year to allow for necessary changes in Administration to become effective.

We believe the original plan approved by the Road Commission and this Committee for a completion separation of the duties of the Mgr. and the Engr. should be followed.

Regarding the request for approval of Robert Lunde as Engineer, we would concur in the judgement of the Commission." /s/ Pratt, Ingersoll, Stewart, Monton, Masten

Attached to this recommendation was a personal note to Mr. Eddy from Mr. Pratt stating that the committee had interviewed Don Villadsen, a Supervisor and former member of the Road and Bridges Committee, and offering him as a candidate for the job as manager, and asking that he be given a copy of the requirements so that he might submit his application immediately.

Both the recommendation and suggestion were tabled without action or comment.

Commissioners agree to meet on Tues. June 26, to consider the approval of the Blue Lake Subdivision if Sheridan Twp. Supervisor can be present.

Commission accepted the bid of Don Renwick of the Northern Salvage Co. on the GMC and Dhev. pickups in the yard which he is cleaning up, at a price of \$50.00 each as they are.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, to adjourn at 5:55 P.M.

Harmon
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

June 26, 1962 - Special meeting held with all commissioners present. Engr. on vacation, Supt. Wing present.

Riverton Twp. Bd. was in with signed agreements on three projects on which they had asked estimates. Present were Supervisor Guy Birdsall, Clerk Clayton Marrison; Treas. Elmer Hedstrom; Trustee Donald Harmon and Al Dittmer.

Three jobs are: - Culvert on the Schwass Road; gravelling on the Morton, Marrison and Schwass Roads; and gravelling on the Hogenson Road. Inasmuch as these agreements did not mention method of payment, this was inserted by the clerk as 'Payment for the above described work will be made upon the completion of the job.'

Riverton then asked when they were going to get the work requested on the south side of North Oxbow Lake. This work was on the agreement signed the 14th of July, 1961, but since it involved obtaining additional property this seemed to be stalemated; Harmon said he had approached the owner of the land, but they were not willing to sell any of it. Mr. Birdsall said he had never talked to them about it but would do so immediately. Board ~~xxx~~ stated that they could go up to \$500. on this job. Harmon asked about the double seal promised on the Hawley Road from Townhall corner west. He doesn't think the double seal has been applied and the road is breaking up now.

Marrison Road has to be graded, then blacktopped. Supt. Wing says he doesn't have a work schedule, that is up to the Manager. He cannot tell when to promise work.

Sheridan Twp. board is in with Supervisor Florian Kaminski, Clerk Helen Budzunski, Treas. Nettie Morse, Trustees Corliss Gulembo, Jr. and Frank McQueen, present.

They want to know what the road commission intends to do about the Blue Lake plat; they feel it is up to the road commission to decide if road is ready for acceptance as a county road. They do not want any expense to revert to the twp. on the maintenance of this road if it is not satisfactory when accepted. George Towns, contractor, who is placing the gravel on this road is present, and on the discussion on the hill, he says he cut it down lower than originally agreed. Commission says they do not want to sign the plat unless it is satisfactory to the township; and the twp. says they do not feel they should be the judge of the road being satisfactory since the road commission will have to be the ones to maintain and spend money on it. George Towns says he will speak for the owner that they did the only two things which were required of them, and that was to cut the hill on the south side, and place the 6" tube draining the 'Y' at the Freesoil Road. Towns says that someone from the county gave the okay on the grading job last fall; Towns called the owner and asked who gave this okay on the grade and Johannsen said "Lunde".

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After much discussion, motion is made by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that the Blue Lake plat be accepted and signed. Plat copies were also signed by the Clerk of the Twp. Board at this time. Plats were immediately picked up by the wife of the County Surveyor, Ken Stephens.

Sheridan inquirers about the work they wanted done, and Supervisor Kaminiski says he told Lunde how much money they had to spend and he was supposed to come out and go over the roads with him and see what could be done for this amount of money. No amount was mentioned or offered at the time the Twp. Board was in on the 16th of February. On the Morse Road bet. Sugar Grove Rd. and Dewey, an estimate was made of the work necessary, and same was delivered to them on the 20th of March by Ed Larsen in time for their annual meeting. In checking the Engr.'s file on this estimate, it was noted that he had a notation on this estimate that they wanted to spend \$900. against the estimate of \$5,310. Apparently the matter was not discussed further in view of this financial deficiency.

Geo. Towns inquiries about the speed signs requested for the mile north of M-116 and the order has just been received from the State Police commissioner to post this road for 4 MPH, and a letter from the State Police at Traverse City recommends that the residential area beyond this mile be posted for the regular residential 25 MPH speed. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy that 25 MPH signs be posted beyond the mile ordered for M-116 at ~~40~~ 40 MPH. Signs are to be erected Wed. June 27th.

Don Villadsen, Sherman Twp. Supervisor was present. Said they will have about \$3,000. per year for construction in Sherman Twp. Is told that 1 mile of grading, drainage, gravel ~~ling~~ surfacing and eventual blacktopping would be about \$7,500.

Commissioner Peterson suggests that the matter of Villadsen being interested in the job as Manager as initiated by the Road and Bridge Committee be discussed. Villadsen says he had not seen the advertisements and had not considered it too much. He was approached by the Road and Bridge Com. out of the blue and altho' he was interested in the work, he had to give it quite a bit of thought because of his present commitments which he would not like to give up unless he were sure the change would be a permanent one. He is told to submit a regular application as is requested in the advertisements, a copy of which is given him from the pocketbook of Commissioner Peterson.

Matter of Lo-Boy trailer is brought to the table, and clerk calls Don Nickel Co. in G.R. to see why the representative had not arranged for the commission to see the demonstration of the Birmingham trailer as was last discussed on June 8th, when rep was last here. They promised to get in touch with him and have him call the office on Wednesday morning.

Motion by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn at 4:45 P.M.

Lawrence J. Kaminiski
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

June 29, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by clerk and approved as read.

Ed Kainz of the Miller Equip. Co. and Don Crabbs from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, were present to discuss the Low-boy ~~trailer~~ trailer again. The commissioners had previously visited the Miller yard in G.R. to view a used Lo-Boy on which they had quoted \$4,000. and found it to be in worse condition than the one we are offering as a trade-in. Miller's now want to recondition this trailer, put all new tires on it and offer it again at the \$4,000. Commission does not favor this idea. Appointment is made to meet Kainz on Monday to look at both types of trailers, the gooseneck and tilt-top owned by the Williams Brothers of Ionia, if Kainz can get locations of same.

Howard Bennett of the Don F. Nickel Co. is present to also discuss trailers. He was unable to locate a Birmingham trailer of the type the commissioners wanted to see in the immediate area. He thinks that they asked for too big a trailer in view of the crane being the biggest thing they have to move. The adv. asked for quotations on a 30 to 35 ton trailer and his first quotation of \$4,995.00 was on a 30-T. trailer with optional quotations on the 35, 25 and 20 tons. Bennett says Birmingham has only had distributors in Michigan for about two years, but they are a good company of long standing. He says his price was shaved very close for this reason to get more representation of this trailer in Michigan. Commission feels that as long as the appointment has already been made with Kainz they should wait and make their decision after seeing these two types in operation.

Two representatives of the Michigan Tractor and Mchry. Co. and one from the Hendrickson Co. are in to discuss the rebuilding of the Oshkosh 1946 No. 20. Their price after looking the truck over very carefully is \$11,400. plus any parts possibly necessary for the drive units. Their guarantee on the engine is 100,000 miles or one ~~year~~ year whichever occurs first. They would need the truck for about a month for this work which they do the year around. They will present their quotations in writing.

Ward Abrahamson was interviewed for the job of Manager. Upon Motion by Gamertsfelder supported by Peterson and confirmed by Eddy, Ward Abrahamson is hired as Manager of the Mason County Road Commission with full control over all departments and personnel and responsible only to the Board of Road Commissioners, at a salary of \$8000.00 per year.

He will talk with his present employer, the Ocean Road Commission Mgr., as he does not want to leave there until everything concerning his work is in order and completed to their satisfaction. He will inform the commission when he can start employment here.

Chairman brings up the matter of a raise in salary for Supt. Wing. Motion by Peterson, supported by Chairman Eddy, and NOT confirmed by Commissioner Gamertsfelder that Supt. Wing be given a salary of \$5,500. the same as Supt. Englebrecht was getting when he retired.

Don Renwick appears before the board to ask them to do something about the material on which he bid having been stolen or taken by others so that there is not the amount there that he bid on, and that which was taken has reduced the value to him of the original bidding price. He feels the road commission should have the sheriff look ~~into~~ into this matter, not only for his sake, but their own in a continuous loss of yard items. He has mentioned the names of Howard Nelson and Web (Wilbur) Leonard of Ludington as two possible sources of additional information on this matter. Clerk is to contact the sheriff and ask him to appear at the meeting of July 3rd, and then notify Renwick so that he can be present at this time.

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In order to somewhat compensate for the loss of material obtained by Louie Lund an employee, and his brother, which was part of this bid pile, motion is made by Peterson, and supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, that Don Renwick be given one ton of scrap metal free.

He thanks the board for this gesture, but says it cannot begin to compensate him for his loss of profit making materials he had figured on. He promises to clean up the pile as originally agreed, but that there is considerable tin on which he will get nothing. Therefore, in addition to the 1 ton of free scrap iron, the commission will not charge Renwick for the tin, providing he will clean it up as originally promised.

Flarence A. Hunk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

July 3, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Payroll checks were signed by the chairman and reviewed by the others. Vouchers for other bills were reviewed, approved and signed.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read with exception of correction regarding the compensation offered Renwick in regard to his loss of profit making materials from his bid scrap pile because of sales to others and apparent loss by stealing. (Previous minutes were corrected before being entered in book and are correct as stated in June 29th recording)

Sheriff Anderson was present in response to request by Road Commissioners, and Renwick also present to see what could be done about comprehending the persons responsible for material removed from the scrap pile without Renwick's or Road Commissioners consent. The Sheriff will try and look into this.

Commissioners reported on their trip on Monday, July 2nd, to the Clarksville Rd. south of Portland, where the Williams Bros. contractors had a Rogers Gooseneck trailer operating. Ed Kainz of Miller Equipment Co. is to call at 11:00 A.M. today to verify the quotation given the commissioners on Monday. He had offered to install the rear wheel covers (\$185.00) and 16 side brackets (\$335.00) which were optional accessories, and include them without charge. In a phone conversation with Chairman Eddy, he also mentioned the hydraulic pump necessary on the truck tractor which was \$255. and had not previously been mentioned but appeared to have been included on the original bid. Kainz is contacted by the clerk and requested to appear at the July 6th meeting to get this misunderstanding straightened out.

In the afternoon the commissioners and Supt. went to Ford Lake to look at a road the called Lakeview Street, this is a township problem. Also visited Thunder Lake plat and good progress is being made there. The Koselski Road in Grant Twp. is supposedly finished and twp. is to be billed for the balance due. Inspected the west Sugar Grove Road and the good job done at the south side of North Oxbow Lake. Riverton said they would spend UP to \$500. for this job.

Gamertsfelder made motion to adjourn at 4:30 P.M. and Peterson supported same.

Flarence A. Hunk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

July 6, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Newell Baker of Ford Lake wants change in road location so he can develop property. This is called Lakeview St., in the Noud Subdiv. at Ford Lake. He wants to do this work at his own expense and wants permission from the road commission to re-locate this road to its original route. The property owners on either side of this road are objecting to his use of this road as it is in the development of his property behind theirs. Com. Gamertsfelder says the Pros. Attorney should be consulted to see whether the road commission can give Baker the authority to proceed with this work on our present county road. He is advised to see Pros. Attorney, explain the situation and return to the commission meeting in the afternoon.

Ed Kainz of Miller Equipment Co. is present to straighten out understanding of his offer made to the commission on July 2nd, and confirms the accessories to be included in the original bid price of \$6,388.00 will be rear wheel covers ~~at~~ (\$1.85.00;) hydraulic system for truck tractor (\$155.00) and side brackets (16) (\$335.00) or a total of \$675.00 for accessories at no extra charge.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that the 30-Ton Rogers Lo-Boy Trailer as presented as above complete by Miller Equipment Co. be accepted at the original bid price of \$6,388.00 less 2% in 30 days, including the trade-in of the old LaCrosse trailer. Invoice is to contain the gross price and show trade-in allowance. Purchase order to be sent for this unit.

Jerry Laman of Laman Asphalt Co. wants to sell the commission the tamper he now has for \$850. If they want this machine he will have it all re~~g~~-conditioned and fixed up for this price, but he would want their acceptance on it before going to this expense. Supt. Wing is present at this time, and he says that this machine would be just as inconvenient to our use as it is to Laman as Laman wants to get a smaller unit which is easier to handle. The commission therefore instructs the clerk to call Laman and tell him that they are not interested in his machine.

Pros. Attorney Gavigan calls Chairman Eddy and tells him that Newell Baker is in his office and he advised that the road commissioners could give him the authority to do this road work providing he will take all responsibility for any damages or any occurrence during this work. There are 7 trees to be removed from the R.O.W. of the present road, and his responsibility would cover the removal of these trees.

An agreement was made for Newell Baker covering this work, and is in the Sheridan Twp. file. Motion was made by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy to allow Newell Baker to proceed with this work under the conditions of the agreement.

Commissioner Gamertsfelder reports that Ward Abrahamson, the newly hired Manager plans to come to his new position on the 23rd of July, 1962.

Regarding the request of the Consumers Power Co. for some representative of the Rd. Commission to meet with their man Beidelman on Monday, July 9th, to go over the stakes they have laid out on the Piney Ridge Road line, commission requests that Edward Larsen meet with him to see if these stakes are okay.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson and confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn at 4:40 P.M.

Lawrence J. Henk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

July 13, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Paul Sherburn, Sup. of Eden Twp. was in alone, to discuss the estimate given Eden Twp. on the 0.6 mile on the Ordway Road, east side of Section 29, from the Marrison road, going north. Engr. Lunde had given them an estimate of \$3,643.82 which included \$240.00 for clearing; \$1,750.00 for grading; \$69.82 for culverts, and gravelling at \$1,584. which covered 900 cu. yds. of gravel at \$1.76.

Eden Twp. thought this was much too high in view of the previous work on a half mile on which the cost was \$1,900. of which they paid \$1.704. just last year. They have \$2000. to put on this road and do not want the cost to run over that. Therefore upon motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, it was agreed to cut down the amount of gravel to 500 cu. yds. which at \$1.76 would amount to \$880.00; place the culverts at the estimated \$70.00; include fringes on labor which would be approx. \$105.00 and then place the balance of the \$2000. or an amount of \$945.00 on the grading. Grading work is NOT to go beyond this amount. An agreement is to be made up on these terms and sent to Eden Twp. immediately.

A property owner at Ford Lake was in to see about changing another road there and was told to see the Twp. Supervisor.

Tom Wiseman, Dist. Maint. Engr. from Cadillac was in to explain the new 1962-1963 Maint. contract to the commission and to answer questions which had been pending for some time, clarifying the matter of an insufficient budget, but assuring the commission that they would be reimbursed for any and all work done under the terms of the contract even tho' the original budget did not cover same.

Leo Monton was also present and questioned Mr. Wiseman about the dump situation on the R.O.W. in the twp of Custer.

Monton had previously brought in the agreement on the Tuttle Road in the Black Creek drain area. This is estimated at \$1,560.00 for the grading and gravelling at \$480. with 240 yds. of gravel at \$2.00 per cu. yd.

Monton wants the commissioners permission to cut some trees along the road in front of the Everett Lynn farm and then let Lynn have the trees for wood. The stump removal would be the expensive part. Commission says if twp. does this work it must be a complete job including the removal of the stumps.

Roy Sorenson was present to make date for commissioners to visit their plant in Port Huron the second or third week in August. He inquires why he never gets any culvert orders, as their bid is identical with the others and as all bids were accepted he thinks he should be awarded some of the business. He is reminded that he got the bridge work without competition and that would equal quite a number of culvert orders. He says they have given the commission a lot of free engineering on those quotations that otherwise would have been an extra cost if materials had been bought piecemeal. He is told that he may fare better when the new mgr. takes over.

Commission says it is all right for the Sargent Sand Company to barricade First St. for one night if necessary in putting in the new crossing there, just so that proper precautions are taken to protect the travelling public.

Clerk asks permission to buy extra folding chairs for commission room to accommodate overflow crowds; the answer is NO; Clerk also asks about the purchase of an additional desk for the new manager, and is told that he will be expected to take over the office now downstairs occupied by the Engr.-Mgr. and labelled Supt. on the door. Organizational set-up to be decided upon after arrival of the manager who may have some ideas of his own on the subject.

Letter received from the Labor Mediation Board reporting a petition had been received from majority of Mason Co. Rd. Com. employees asking them to intervene in a dispute between the Road Commission and the employees involving wages, hours of work and other conditions of employment.

Mediation Bd. asks for an alphabetical list of the name, addresses and classifications of all employees who were on the payroll as of July 10, 1962, exclusive of x supervisory and executive personnel. They ask whether or not any meetings were held between the petitioners and their representatives and the Mason County Road Commission and if such meetings have been held, please state the dates of such meetings, matters resolved, if any, and the issues which in their opinion are at this date unresolved. They would appreciate a reply within 7 days. Next meeting of July 20th would be first date signature would be obtained on this letter.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, and confirmed by Eddy to adjourn at 4:20 P.M.

Lawrence St. Luke
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

July 20, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read with correction regarding trees in front of the Everett Lynn farm in Custer Twp. which the twp wishes to remove. Commission says the twp. can do this work if they do a complete job INCLUDING the removal of the stumps. (this was corrected on the minutes of July 13th also before being entered in the book)

Payroll checks are signed by the chairman and reviewed by the others; other bills are reviewed, approved and signed with the exception of the voucher for the new Loader. Chairman Eddy says he wants to see the loader work first before approving payment.

Reply to letter from the Mediation board was read by the clerk and signed by the commissioners.

Stan Heustis was present to discuss the rebuilding the Oshkosh No. 20 on which L.B. Jersey had previously submitted a quotation, and which Com. Peterson and Eddy did not favor, until discussing experiences with these rebuilt trucks with Leelanau and Manistee County personnel at the Leelanau Senatorial District meeting. These counties have had this rebuilding done several times and are very well satisfied.

Engr. Lunde presents the negotiated proposal for 23' aggregate surface course and 22' prime and double seal to be placed on the East $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the Sugar Grove Road as Project No. CS 53-34, C4 S 1529 (2).

A motion is made by Commissioner Peterson, supported by Commissioner Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Chairman Eddy, to authorize the Chairman to sign the above-stated negotiated proposal and contract.

On the Millerton Road, bet. Sec. 13-24 in Sheridan Twp., a 14' culvert, crossing the Sauble River has been damaged by truck traffic and is an emergency. Upon motion by Gamertsfelder, and support by Peterson, confirmation by Eddy, the commission authorizes the replacement of this jack-arch culvert with a steel beam metal deck, asphalt surface and wooden piling, to a width of 20 feet road clearance; this work to be started immediately. New steel beams should be purchased, the balance of the material is available in the yard.

Motion by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that the Oshkosh with the dump box removed, be sent to Oshkosh, Wisconsin, via carferry to Manitowoc, where it will be picked up by the Oshkosh Company and it is to be delivered back in the same way by December 1st, 1962 without fail.

The road commission agrees to pay extra for the dismantling and remounting of the snow plow frames and wings.

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Clem J. Stevens and Charles J. Roberts and their engineer Mr. Howard are present regarding the Thunder Lake plat. Certification from Wallace Blohm received regarding the performance bond in the amount of \$2000. being taken out with him by Stevens and Roberts guaranteeing to remove brush, stumps, and debris from the 4-rod R.O.W. on road around Thunder Lake, this being a part of Thunder Lake partnership Subdivision. (This performance bond issued by Auto-Owners Ins. Co. was received and filed in the Sheridan Twp. file before this entry was made.)

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy, to accept the plat of Thunder Lake and the performance bond for the clearing of refuse and debris from the R.O.W. This Subdivision is part of Gov't. Lots; One of Sec. 4, Two, Three, Four of 5, one of Sec. 8 and one of Sec. 9 and part of north 1/2 of South 1/2 of N.E. 1/4 of Section 8. All in T 19 N, R 15 W, Sheridan Twp., Mason County, Michigan.

Motion made by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn at 4:00 P.M.

Laurence Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

July 27, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Ward Abrahamson, Mgr. is present for the first time. Minutes of the July 20th meeting are read by the clerk and approved as read.

Reply from the Mediation Board read to the commission stating that they had the names checked on the list of employees furnished them, against the petition, and it showed that a majority of the Mason County Road Commission employees had signed that petition. They say they will contact the commissioners in the near future, no definite date mentioned.

Clerk brings the invoice of the Wolverine Tractor and Mchry. Co. for the new loader back to the table which was pending Chairman Eddy's desire to see same in operation before signing the voucher,. Inasmuch as the invoice is dated June 27th and the 30 days discount period would expire on this date, it should be signed. However, clerk has written for reconciliation of this date since the machine was not shipped until two days after the invoice date, and not received until July 6th here. Ordinarily an invoice does not bear a date prior to delivery. Mgr. Abrahamson reports that Supt. Wing expressed satisfaction with the operation of this loader and he is willing to take his word for it that it is doing a good job, however, he again checks with the Supt. on the radio and re-affirms this satisfaction and commissioners therefore sign voucher.

Mgr. brings up the matter of a non-maint. authorization (R & IC-490) received from the State Highway for work which they want done down by the Ludington Fruit Exchange in putting an extra lane there due to the congestion of traffic at that point.

Mgr. has message from Engr. stating that the Harbison-Walker Co. in Ludington would like to rent our Barber Green conveyor for one week. They will pay \$132.00 for this week's rental; (\$3.65 per hour is the State rate) Commission agrees to the rental of the equipment on basis of remuneration offered by them for the one week.

L. B. Jersey wants to know what the commission wants to do about getting back the old radiator, motor and clutch from the No. 20, now being rebuilt. If these are returned, it is necessary to add \$200. to the quotation. A new radiator for the amount of \$350. was installed in this truck in 1959 (Dec.) but even if returned might not fit anything and eventually be sold for junk, therefore, the commission recommends that all the old parts be left over at the factory.

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Mgr. says he has to have a desk and he would like it to be located in the commission room. He feels there is not enough room downstairs now. Ed Larsen will locate in the clerk's office and he will take the space now occupied by Larsen. Commission is agreeable to this arrangement and tells him to go ahead and get what he needs for his office equipment.

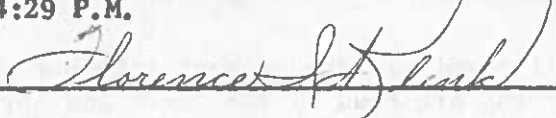
Motion by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson with confirmation by Eddy, that bids be taken for a new passenger car for the commissioners. This should be a 1962, 4-door sedan, asking for 6 or 8 cylinders as alternate bids; straight stick; manual steering; and a conservative color. Advertisement for bids shall be placed in the Ludington Daily News immediately, for two nights, and the bids will be opened on Aug. 10, 1962.

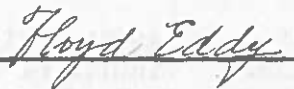
The commission wants it very clearly understood at this time that this new car shall be for commissioners use only, and that it is not to be used for transportation by anyone to and from work.

Together with the Manager, the commission visited the grading site at Round Lake; observed operations at Jones Pit; and visited the grading job that Freesoil wants done.

Information having been received from the County Road Association in Lansing, that each road commission should contract their local representative to Con-Con in ~~xxxx~~ regard to the issues vital to the road commissions' welfare, motion is made by Peterson, and supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, that Raymond Plank be requested to support the Con-Con issues as set forth in the letter from the County Road Association

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn at 4:29 P.M.


Clerk


Chairman

Aug. 3, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present together with Manager. Minutes of the preceding meeting read by the clerk and approved as read.

Chas. Hubbell, Sup. of Amber Twp. was present, and he was protesting the estimate of \$1,961.00 given him by the Engr. for the work Amber wants done on the east end of Sixth St., leading to the Ole Cline farm which has been purchased by Atherton's who have a ceramics shop there and have asked for this work on the road leading to their place of business. Mrs. Atherton called while Mr. Hubbell was present to inquire on the progress of this program and Mr. Hubbell talks to her on the phone.

Hubbell also wants a slow sign put on the Hansen Road, just off Stiles Road about 1/2 mile to the West near Wagner's. Twp. will pay for this sign if necessary, to slow down the traffic coming from the west.

Mgr. reads letter from L. B. Jersey, in response to letter regarding the radiator put on the Oshkosh in 1959, and he states, "service dept. of the Oshkosh Truck Co. have agreed to return your radiator without any charge to you; I think it is the new type and can be used in both your Oshkosh trucks."

Frank Guske (?) is in and wants grass and weeds cut on roadsides south of Custer. He protests so much mowing on the state trunkline and none on the county roads.

Discussion on State Trunkline Maint. contract. Motion made by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, with confirmation by Eddy, that the contract with the State Hwy Department for the period from July 1, 1962 through December 31, 1963 be accepted and signed. For the first time the contract required the signatures of all three commissioners, rather than just the Chairman as has previously been required.

Discussion regarding the controversy over the driveway situation at Mrs. Olsen's farm

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just north of Scottville. This has been taken up with Mr. Wiseman and he is to send a letter in on this Monday, Aug. 6th, 1962.

A request has been received for the rental of the air hammer by the Methodist church in Freesoil by Frank Eddy, rental for which will be paid by them, at state rental rates. Our operator must go with this equipment, be paid direct by them, and equipment is to be rented out only when not needed by the Road Commission. Another individual was in asking for this same equipment, but was referred by Com. Gamertsfelder to the City of Ludington Mgr. as he wanted it right away. Methodist church wants this equipment on Saturday and Kenneth Gilmore will accompany same.

Com. Gamertsfelder asks Mgr. about a road just west of John Atherton's place, a lane back to his 40, in Riverton Twp., and Mgr. says it is NOT in our county road certification, therefore, it is a township matter.

Mgr. and commission visited the following projects after lunch before returning to the office. (1) - P-1162, culvert on the Millerton Road; (2) S-462 - the McCumber Bridge (3) S-962 - grading in Eden Twp., just started; Mgr. says one day's grading was \$185.00

Dick Symonds of Mich. Tractor and Machinery Co. called regarding decision on the Oshkosh rebuilding job. Was advised that the Oshkosh had been sent to Wisconsin for rebuilding.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, to adjourn at 4:10 P.M. Eddy adjourned at 4:12 P.M.

Norman J. Henk

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

Aug. 10, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present together with Mgr. and Clerk. Minutes of the Aug. 3rd meeting are read by the clerk and approved as read.

Com. Peterson brings up a matter of a road in Victory Twp. between the farms of Sydney Bolton and Delmer Appledorn. They say this road is in bad condition and they both want this road closed. Records show that Bolton was in this office in April of 1954 with this same request and at that time he was told what the procedure was to abandon a road and nothing has been heard from him since that time. The commission and manager go and inspect this road and decide that the bad hole in this road shall be patched and the tube cleaned out. Mgr. says this will be taken care of on Monday, Aug. 13th.

Letter was read to commission by the clerk from Leonard Gavigan, Pros. Attorney, who has been asked to collect the balance due from the Del Ray Beach Subdiv. work. At the time of the letter, it was pending the return of the officer of their company in charge of finances; in the noon mail on this date, the check was rec'd in the full amount of \$ 191.40, thus closing the matter on this Subdiv. work.

Mgr. reads message from the clerk regarding a telephone call from C. Jerry Ford of the Labor Mediation Board who had previously written about a petition received from Mason Co. Rd. Commission employees regarding unresolved issues from the May 4th meeting. The tentative date of Aug. 24th is accepted by the commission and he is to be notified of this date when he calls back this coming week.

Mgr. reports that the study made by the state police regarding the speed sign situation in Hanson Subdiv. of P.M. Twp, states that this being a residential area the 25 miles per hour limit would apply and would not be their jurisdiction. P.M. Twp. wants these signs put up.

Motion by Peterson and supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that speed signs be put up in this area as directed by the State Police at county road commission expense, but ALL OTHER SIGNS BE CHARGED TO THE TWP. INVOLVED, FOR MATERIALS ONLY.

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Mgr. reports he went to see Mr. Ingersoll, the P.M. Sup. regarding the amount of money owing to the Road Commission for past construction work. He professed to know nothing about the promise of the \$3,000. as received in a letter from the Twp. Treas. Mrs. Hul and talked about a lot they have down by the Marquette memorial which they want to sell, and if they do they will pay that money to the road commission. In regards to the sales tax and intangible monies just distributed by the county treasurer, he is very vague as to their purpose and professes to think they are for school purposes. Mgr. says he will see him again as to the real use for the monies they have just rec'd

Bids were opened for a new passenger car: - Bids were received from Urka Chev; Steingraber ~~and other dealers~~ Auto Sales; T. D. Smith Ford Co., and the Mottl Ford Sales in Ludington.

Chev. submitted only one bid with a gross price of \$2,235.91 less \$400.91 for trade-in leaving a net price of \$1,835.00 - Delivery date would be Aug. 11th.

Steingraber submitted two bids, one on a 6-cylinder Dodge Dart at net price of \$1,236. plus trade-in; and on an 8-cylinder Dodge Dart at net price of \$1,317.54; both for immediate delivery from stock.

T. D. Smith quoted \$2,179.64 less \$530.00 for trade-in, or net \$1,649.64 (6 cylinder). Also quoted on a used 1962 (driver's training car) 8-cylinder, automatic transmission, all accessories and luxuries, with about 6000 miles on it; at \$1,799.65 net, with \$560 allowed for the trade-in.

Mottl quoted on two models of 6 cylinders at net prices of \$1,495.00 for the Fairlane and \$1,715.00 for the Galaxie; also \$1615.00 for the 8-cyl. Fairlane and \$1,695.00 on the 8-cylinder Galaxie. Trade-in on the old car on each of the above was \$400.00.

Mgr. and commission went and looked at the Dodge and Fords at T.D. Smiths at noon and had demonstrations on both makes. After return to the office a motion was made by Peterson and supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, that the Dodge Dart V-8 be purchased from the Steingraber Auto Sales for the bid price of \$1,317.54. net. This car is a dark maroon color, is in stock and available immediately.

Steingraber did not quote terms, but during check with him on the telephone by the clerk he stated that he could allow 30 days for payment. Mgr. also talked with Steingraber and arranged to have the car available before the trade-in so as to remove the two-way radio from the Ford and install it in the new Dodge as soon as the radio serviceman can be obtained.

Discussion regarding building up the tracks, etc. on the D-7 Bulldozer. Mgr. says there was an old set of tracks and rails in the yard which might be used, but a check with a couple of operators reveals that something is wrong with these old rails and may not be any good.

Meeting adjourned upon motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, at 5:55 P.M.

Therence J. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

August 17, 1962 - Regular meeting hwd with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Gamertsfelder brings up matter of renting out the equipment to individuals and says arrangements were made before policy was discussed by the board.

Motion by Peterson and supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that the resolution of July 14, 1961 regarding free work for Fair Assoc. be rescinded in accordance with Auditor Generals recommendations and Fair Board be notified by letter accordingly.

Discussion on P.M. Twp's overdue account. Mgr. says he talked with Ingersoll regarding P.M. Subdiv. blacktop and he understood Commission would be willing to go ahead w. with this work if even one of the thousand dollar payments was made. Commission say Ingersoll should come to the office and speak his piece and give commission a definite and signed agreement, something that commission can depend on.

1. Commissioner Eddy asks about the Grant Twp. blacktop that they wanted about 3 yrs ago.
2. Mgr. has letter from Mediation Board confirming the Aug. 24th date for meeting at 10:00 A.M. re unresolved issues from meeting of May 4th.
3. Mgr. says about three of the small trucks should be laid up.
4. Mgr. brings up matter of stockroom being locked at night and thinks Gimbutis should have a key and assume responsibility.
5. Mgr. has application from Consumers Power Co. for a permit to erect a wood pole line in Hamlin Twp. on Jagger Rd., Sec. 2, T 18 N, R 18 W, and Chairman Eddy is authorized to sign this permit.
6. Mgr. has notice of hearing re desire of property owners to abandon two roads in Piney Ridge Resort Subdivision, a portion of 17th and 16th Ave. in the First Addition to Piney Ridge Resort.
7. Gamertsfelder brings up road problem in Riv. Twp., Sec. 31, bet. properties of Paul Mnton and William Beard. Says Drain Commissioner gave permission to fill up the ditch there; they want road abandoned.

Commission and Mgr. made trip to the following sites: -

1. Eden job, now finished (Ordway Road) Very good job; Expense in line with \$2,000. offered for this job with additional of a necessary tube.
2. Visited Brown Pit; lots of traffic there; Oceana County also working there.
3. Visited Riv. Twp., Sec. 31, Monton and Beard controversy.
4. Also visited the Piney Ridge Resort road closing location.

Commission inquires about status of insurance on the new passenger car. Clerk called local agent Herman Deake and he says coverage automatically transfers and the premium is picked up at the time of audit.

During commission tour after lunch, Supt. Wing had inquired of clerk about Otto Kollberg's temporary status being change to permanent and asked to be notified when commission returned so he could come in and talk it over. Commission says this is up to Manager and Wing was not called in.

Motion made by Peterson and supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to adjourn at 4:45 P.M.

Harance A. Klenk

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

Aug. 20, 1962 - Regular meeting held with Minutes of the Aug. 17th meeting signed by the Chairman, reviewed

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Camertsfelder reports that some north of Ely's corners. He found it's destination finally was

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General discussion on the town and Mgr. would like to see to whereby the twps. would pay roads by a set percentage, tributions on Primary road laying which is termed special distribution of costs, that they could use for replacing an expense of approximately Supervisors will be approved year's planning.

of same in later years, here as Oceana County has of construction work on local they do NOT accept twp. contributions costs on dustlaying and case in reviewing the 1961 sion about \$30,000. which ements. Also the shading is should be cut down. Board of October session, for next

Ken Stephens, Mason Co. plat called Walhalla Mai 19 of Branch Twp. and owned by owner to come down and try to explain why a road of ingress and egress to and from this property as he is going to sell lots there.

lunch, to try and explain the P.M. River, which is in Section of Walhalla. Mgr. finally call think it is necessary to build

Stephens left and Pineau came to the commission meeting and told of the trails existing there now, but the issue is still confused and the commissioners feel that they should continue to protect the public who might purchase lots in this subdivision by not signing the plat with no guarantee of access to same, as plat is surrounded by Gov't owned land. This evolves into a lengthy discussion. Pineau has consulted Olmstead's Abstract office in Ludington and has a letter from Plat Examiner in Lansing saying that what he has already done in giving easements across this platted land is legal, but they do not know what the Road Commission requirements are. The letters were presented to the commission by Ken Stephens, but taken with him so that nothing is on file regarding same.

Representative of the Michigan Tractor and Mchry. Co. is present to discuss quotation on repairs to the No. 50, D-7 Tractor-Dozer. Mgr. compares this quotation with another he has from the company at Hudsonville, Michigan. They are fairly close as to cost, however further comparison will have to be made. Michigan Tractor rep. says parts will be picked up and delivered free, however, the mileage for their repair man is 11¢ per mile and his wage is \$6.75 per hour, from G.R., to Scottville and return, portal to portal pay.

Some discussion on the forthcoming meeting with the Mediation Board on Friday, August 24th. Mgr. declines invitation to Port Huron in lieu of many details of work to be tended to before the 24th. Commissioners and engineer will depart on the 22nd for a two day visit to Yeager Bridge and Culv. Co.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Camertsfelder, that the meeting be adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Lawrence A. Kent
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

August 24, 1962 - Special meeting held with all commissioners present together with Mgr. and Clerk. Also present were the Employees Committee Frank Milvert, William Gordon, and Homer Molyneux, with their union rep. Roy McNich. The Mediation Board was represented by C. Jerry Ford from Grand Rapids.

Minutes of the August 20th meeting were read and approved as read, with the possible revision regarding the claying participation by the townships inasmuch as much of this claying has already been done in the past several years, it may be too late at this point to start participation on this particular category of work.

McNich says there are unresolved issues, but he does not have his list with him. Mediator Ford copies down list of items from list given him by Mgr. Abrahamson. McNich then goes over the entire list of original requests and asks if decision on any of them has been altered since the last meeting. Chairman Eddy says "NO". Manager then takes up the discussion and tells that: - (1) Gravel is a big and expensive problem as it has to be brought in from other counties; (2) That there are lots more bridges to be fixed; (3) and that maintenance of Mason County roads has been far above that of Oceana County, and maintenance is expensive.

Mediator and McNich trade remarks about Wexford being a union shop, McNich says it is NOT. Mediator asks union rep. and employees to step downstairs. Mediator asks about the dues check-off. Is told that it was given them for a limited time only, instigated by Attorney Christman as a peace offering even tho' they had NOT even asked for it at that time, and Christman was SUPPOSED to be appearing FOR the Road Commission. Chairman Eddy again brings up the matter of having to pay the clerk for making the dues check-off, and is REMINDED by the clerk that she would NOT expect additional pay IF DUES CHECK-OFF WAS LEGALLY ROAD COMMISSION WORK, and that the Fact Finding Board Chairman, Mr. Hyman Parker, gave the recommendation that the dues check-off should NOT BE GRANTED in his decision of 1959.

Mediator advises the commission that neither he nor the Fact Finding Board can do more than make recommendations, they cannot force the recommended actions onto the Road Commission, the Road Commission does NOT have to grant any of the requested items. Mediator then goes to talk to the other side downstairs.

The Mediator and Employees and their Union Rep. return upstairs. McNich says they are working for wages that are less than adequate, they deserve more. Commission has a responsibility to these employees that work for the county. He says, "You are neglecting the people that are working for you." McNich then expounds on the lack of brakes on the low-boy, is told that a new one has been ordered and that we are momentarily awaiting delivery of same. McNich says he does not understand how they can sit there and ignore the people who ~~are~~ so desperately need more money. SILENCE. McNich then says, "This will have to go into Fact Finding and we will publish the results. Townships should know what wages are being paid over here."

Then the matter of probation versus temporary status is brought up. McNich says, "Continuous service, what is it"? He then reads his own answer from the working policy. Mgr. Abrahamson says a seasonal employee is a seasonal employee. McNich says it doesn't say whether it is a seasonal employee or a full time employee in defining continuous service.

McNich then brings up the question of an employee (referring to Don McFarland) having to pay for his own defense when he has an accident, having to hire his own attorney, etc. for his own protection. How come Road Commission ins. does not cover this? Clerk then checks via telephone with the ins. rep. and he says, "Because that part involving the built or innocence of the driver causing the accident is a criminal matter between the people and the man, not between the insurance company and a road commission employee." Mr. Deake says the road commission could not buy this kind of protection if they wanted to.

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McNich then asks for a meeting on Monday, April 27th at 3:00 P.M. with the Mgr. and with the three employees present at this time, on some issues which he hands him on a list, not known at this time.

Commissioners and Manager went on tour after lunch:-

1. Millerton Bridge job.
2. Tuttle Road, Freesoil job.
3. Freeman Creek culvert
4. Grant Twp., new dump road
5. Stiles road where clay is being put on.

Adjourned at 4 P.M. per notification by Manager, upon motion by Gamertsfelder and support by Peterson.

Thomas J. Hunk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

August 31, 1962 -

Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of Aug. 24th meeting (special) with union reps. read and approved as read.

Mgr. tells commission of his meeting with McNich and the same three employees on Monday Aug. 27th. Otto Kollberg's status as temporary or permanent employee discuss Commission Peterson says he would like to have a talk with Kollberg. Commission say he was re-hired for a specific purpose of helping with the mowing and he should be laid off as soon as the mowing is done. Temporary status to stand.

Discussion on suits for men who do occasional work in the shop. Gust Keson is up to explain about use of the rental overalls. All the day men take the same size and the two night men are of the same size, therefore they can use fewer changes. Commission says NO EXTRA SUITS for occasional shop workers, they can put on one of the dirty suits.

Everett Thorne requested that his permit for the County clay pit be renewed for his bait business for the year from June 1962 to June 1963. Granted.

Mgr. says John O'Neil wants to put a gas line down the Walhalla road; a 2" line and wants to lay it in the right of way and leave it on top of the ground. Unanimous refusal by commission who say it should be buried at least one foot.

Mgr. says McNich says they HAVE to have the fact finding board in.

Letter from Prosecuting Attorney in response to a telephone call from the Clerk setting forth the reasons why an insurance company would not write a coverage policy to cover the criminal aspect of a case in which an employee might be involved because of an accident, the criminal action is between the employee and the people; a civil action would be covered by road commission's insurance. This letter is to be posted on the bulletin board for the clarification to the employees, especially to one of the committee, William Gordon, who has been expounding on this matter in the downtown poolrooms.

Matthew Mazeika's rate of pay is discussed. On Feb. 20, 1961 clerk and timekeeper were notified in writing by R. E. Lunde, Engr.-Mgr. that Mazeika's rate of pay would be increased 10¢ per hour as of that pay day and would remain so as long as he was in the shop. This made his rate \$1.70 and then in June of 1961 when the 5¢ blanket raise was given he then received \$1.75. Union is now saying he should have the same as the other mechanics, \$1.85.

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Arnold Pineau met with commission at Walhalla Subdiv. site, and he will re-plot this on the idea drawn up by Engr. Lunde, so that all lots have the same frontage on the river.

The Branch Twp. Dump job is satisfactory to the commission and they may now be billed for this work which was in the amount of \$138.50.

Adams on Ordway Road says 100 feet of his fence is gone. Road Commission will give him 15 posts and he will do the work.

Commission and Mgr. went to Lakeshore Drive to see the seal-coating being done at this time. As soon as this is finished, a bill can be sent to Summit Twp. showing the cost of the Olmstead Road; and they should then send us the money for the Sunset lane extension as promised.

At the dead end of the Dennis and Hansen Roads, there should be double arrow placed there. Visited the Sugar Grove road in Victory.

Mgr. returned and gave adjournment motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, to clerk at 4:50 P.M.

Harance A. Lusk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Sept. 5, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Payroll checks were signed by the Chairman and reviewed by the other commissioners. Other bills in the amount of \$3,955.56 were reviewed, approved and signed. The new checks were used for the first time wherein a blanket check is obtained from the County Clerk's office and deposited in the State Savings Bank of Scottville, and then checks drawn against it signed by the Clerk of the Road Commission as an authorized signature. This allows the checks to be sent out the same day the vouchers are signed, whereas before, it was necessary to get the vouchers signed, obtain the blank checks from courthouse, then make them out at the road commission office, then again go to the courthouse for the signature of the County Treasurer, then return to the road commission office for mailing them out, delaying the mailing of the checks by three days in some cases where payday occurred on Friday.

Max Blohm is offering \$100.00 for the motor and frame formerly used on the Little Giant broom. Bill Kirschner was in and wanted the old International Truck (No 34) and a snow plow. Max Blohm will be requested to submit a written bid for the motor and frame of the old power broom for consideration by the commission. The same is to be requested of Bill Kirchner on the Int'l truck with snow plow.

Mgr. reports that Grant Twp. wants road name signs, agreement signed by commission.

Commissioner Peterson reports that he talked with Otto Kollberg, and he is satisfied with his wages and his status and it was only at the instigation of William Gordon and Frank Milvert who called at his home and told him that they could get him more wages and more fringe benefits.

Mgr. reports that Everett Dumas also said he had not complained to the union committee about his wages.

Mgr. reports some delegation of men were in on the 4th of Sept. to talk about the Round Lake road, and they don't want to make that a Primary Road.

Mgr. says the time slips need more room for equipment hours, as this is important in view of the records which have to be kept.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that the meeting be adjourned at 2:30 P.M. and be resumed in Prudenville, the site of the Northern Mich. Rd. Com. Assoc. convention.

Commissioners Eddy and Peterson do not plan to attend, Commissioner Gamertsfelder Manager Abrahamson, Engineer Lundé and Secretary Klenk plan to attend.

Florence A. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Sept. 14, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Discussion on Renwick's junk agreement. McLouth of Shelby offers \$15.00 per ton for the junk left in the yard. Renwick wants to clean it up for \$14.00 per ton and would do it at this price in two weeks.

Mgr. says we have been offered \$250. for the old Oshkosh engine. It would cost \$200. to bring it back and commission thinks it should be worth another \$100.00 before going to the trouble of bringing it back.

Monton and Beard controversy explained to the commission by the Mgr. Mgr. and Drain Commissioner Tyndall looked at this and called in Charles Stewart, Summit Twp. Supvrs

Wm. Kerschner again appears to get his answer on buying the International Truck No. 34 and snow plow. He is told that we are going to advertise for bids in the paper and he can then put in his bid. Kerschner is not happy with this decision.

Three men are in regarding permission to lay a gas pipeline for 5 miles from the Sippy Oil Fields in the road R.O.W. and on top of the ground, as they claim it would cost 50¢ per foot to bury this line which would cost \$13,100. and they do not know how much gas there is there. They want a permit for one year to keep this pipeline on the top of the ground. Commission is reluctant to act on this until they have all the facts and especially concerning the liability attached to any possible accidents involving the pipe-line.

Mgr. and Commission visited the following locations after lunch before returning to the office:-

- (1) Emerson Lake Subdivision (Smedley's) stumps and brush have not been removed from the R.O.W. yet.
- (2) Went to Ford Lake to see about the pike-spawning pond which was discussed some time ago.
- (3) Visited the site of the new Grant Dump.
- (4) Visited Freeman creek crossing where new culvert is being placed.
- (5) Went to Mrs. Huffman's in Grant Twp. where she claims our new lo-boy trailer was backed onto her newly seeded lawn. Find complaint very trivial, but cannot understand why it was necessary for the trailer to be turned around here.
- (6) Inspected the blacktop being put on the Piney Ridge Road.
- (7) Visited work at North Bayou.
- (8) Visited the Gurney Creek Crossing.

Further discussion on Kerschner. In view of the sale made to Max Blohm without competitive bids, it was decided to let Kerschner offer what he would on this and after this sale, everything else will be offered in a classified advertisement in the Ludington Daily News. Commission says that if Kerschner offers at least \$175.00 for No. 34 and snow plow they will accept it, but nothing less. This truck is NOT in running condition, but No. 7 is, and there is to be no confusion on which Kerschner is bidding NO. 34 ONLY.

Motion by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, that the meeting be adjourned at 4:35 P.M.

Florence A. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Sept. 20, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners and manager present. Chairman signed payroll checks and bills in the amount of \$18,053.45 were reviewed, approved and signed. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Henry Marek was in regarding the junk left in the yard which he ~~is~~ is willing to clean up for \$15.00 per ton for the junk by the garage and \$10.00 a ton for the junk left in the east yard. Motion by Peterson, supported by Camertsfelder, and confirmed by Eddy, that Henry Marek be allowed to clean up the junk at the above quoted price in said locations.

Gas pipeline people were to get in touch with Attorney Christman and he was to come up and explain to the board what their liability would be. So far he has not done so.

Mgr. presents a petition for the closing of the road between Paul Monton and Wm. Beard. Mgr. saw Pros. Cavigan and in 20 days we have to act on this petition. If Beard would sign the petition, then it would not be necessary to serve notice on anyone as he is the only other person involved. Supervisor Stewart of Summit Twp. is trying to get Agreement between the two men on settlement of this argument. If he is able to do this then this road could be declared closed by a resolution on the minutes of the road commission. Stewart thinks Beard might sign if the agreement definite says the ditch will be kept open.

Comr. Peterson reports that Mrs. Heyse wants a tube across the ditch on Amber Rd. 1/4 mile south of Sugar Grove Road, so she can get Christmas trees out; this location is two or three rods down from ~~the~~ an electric light pole.

Matter of the pike rearing pond at the S.W. side of Ford Lake; letter in Dec. 1961 by R.E.L. notified them of the limitations and what the road commission would do on Twp. Maint. and the acknowledgement letter of understanding the terms of the work. Manager says the project construction work should be finished before this maintenance work is done.

Commission and Mgr. visited the following locations after lunch:-- Logan Bridge site; Millerton Road Culvert (P-1162) Gravel on this.; pike-rearing pond; Freeman Creek culv; Blacktop in Hamlin.

Adjourned at 4:10 P.M. without reconvening, notified by Manager of adjournment.

Flora A. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Sept. 26, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present; this meeting was two days earlier than usual on account of the Harvest Festival on Thursday and Friday. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Owners of Emerson Lake West Shore Subdiv. want plat approved and they want to clean this up temporarily by throwing junk on the lots.

Mgr. reports William Beard was in and says he would sign petition only if Monton digs the ditch and agrees in writing to keep it open. Monton went in and closed the road without any legal proceeding. Monton said he would dig this ditch.

Reviewed the preliminary sketch of plat as re-drawn for Walhalla Main Branch Subdiv. on P.M. river; S.E. 1/4 of Sec. 19, T 18 N, R 15 W.

MANAGER REPORTS TO COMMISSION:-

Hole in the culvert in Riverton Twp. three or four hundred feet west of Paul Monton's. Estimate is presented to Board for the replacement of this culvert in Sec. 10 on the Kistler Road. This has been patched before and must now be replaced. There is very high water here in the spring, will need to build this road up about one foot.

1. Riverton - Corner of Blundell and Norton Rd., farmer would like to have these trees on the corner taken out and widen this corner. (Jim Blundell)
2. Stanley Morton called about stone on the road on the Blundell road near Dick Bryes.
3. Bruce Stewart said two weeks ago, Wing came out and said he would fix it right away; on the south side of Lost Lake; culvert is too low. This was put in by a contractor, name unknown.

Manager says they are starting Monday on Fountain Road, when some telephone poles are removed. Been working on the Sugar Grove Road.

Gas pipe-line representative John O'Neil and Attorney Christman are present to talk over agreement drawn up by Christman. Chairman says insurance coverage quoted at \$50,000/100,000. is a little light and he thought it should be doubled.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that the contract be accepted as presented upon the conditions that the insurance be increased and will be effective as soon as the evidence of this insurance has been received. John P. O'Neill, is representing Long and Wetzel, the pipeline owners.

Commission returned to the office after lunch and signed plat for the Emerson Lake West Shore Subdivision.

Considerable discussion on the efficiency or inefficiency of the Supt. Commissioner Gamertsfelder says he makes promises and the road commission gets the blame for it. Mgr. states from observation he would say that Wing is doing a good job and seems very interested in his work. Gamertsfelder says he is getting a lot of help.

Com. Gamertsfelder brings up the matter of Otto Kollberg again. Kollberg does not seem to be satisfied in spite of his conversation with Commissioner Peterson on which he reported on September 5th, 1962.

Meeting adjourned upon motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, and confirmed by Eddy, at 4:15 P.M.

Staurance A. Klenk

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

Oct. 5, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Mgr. reports that the Beard vs. Monton controversy is not coming along too good. Pros. Cavigan says as long as negotiations are being worked on, the 20 days notice for serving the papers would not be too binding.

Arnold Pineau called to see if that road up on the hill in his Walhalla Main Branch P.M. River Subdiv. had to be gravelled. Commission says there is no reason to make exceptions on these road specifications in subdivisions, no matter where they are and the policy of requiring the graveling specifications be the same for all plat owners.

Leo Sobanski, Hamlin Twp. supervisor, called about the road south of Barnharts. The road commission has dumped stumps there and people are now dumping rubbish there. He says township board will pay \$150.00 toward filling this hole. Mgr. says he told Sobanski that it would be too small a job to go up there especially for, it would have to be done when the equipment was in the area for other work as \$150.00 would not pay for it and the balance would have to be on twp maint.

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At 10:30 A.M., as advertised, the coal bids are opened and read:-

- Three bids were received -
1. Walter T. Beyer - bids \$13.75 per ton.
 2. Abrahamson-Nerheim bids \$13.70 per ton.
 3. L. A. Hawley and Son bids \$13.75 per ton.

These bids are tabled for further study by manager as to B.T.U. of coal and other factors.

Commission says townships will have to pay for cemetery plowing and the order for this work will have to come from the Twp. Supervisor.

Bids for gasoline and diesel fuel advertised for opening at 11:00 P.M. are opened and read at this time:-

	<u>Gasoline</u>	<u>Diesel #1</u>	<u>Diesel #2</u>
Cities Service Co.	.1294 - 1%-30 days	none	
Crystal Refining Co.	.1349 - "	"	
Leonard Refineries, Inc.	.1330 "	"	
Naph-Sol Refining Co.	.1289 1%-10 da.		
Osceola Refining Co.	.129 "		
Pure Oil Co.	.1425 1%-30 da.	.1405 1% -30 da.	.1385
Sinclair Refining Co.	.1227 "	.1373 1% -30 da.	.12738
G. L. Slaggert & Son Oil Co.			
	.1425 1%-10 da.	.13 1%-10 da.	.12
Standard Oil	.1275 1%-30 da.	.1218	.1108
		Premier - 11.38	1%-30 da
Mobil Oil Co.	.1238 1%-30 da.	.129	.119 "

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, to accept the low bid of the Sinclair Refining Co. for gasoline at a price of 12.27¢ per gal., with terms of 1% 30 days; and accept the bid of Standard Oil, for their Premier Diesel fuel at a price of 11.38¢ per gal., with terms of 1% 30 days.

Victory Twp. Bd. with Sup. Pratt; Treas. Louis Peterson, Trustee Vance Peterson, Robert L. Anderson, Trustee, were present to request some special gravel re-surfacing on the Beyers Road and the Dennis Road, north of the Fountain Rd. They have \$1200. for this work. Since the haul from the Jones Pit is a 22-mile haul and the minimum hauling charge per mile is 8¢, this would allow about 440 cu. yards of gravel to be delivered and spread for this \$1200. Authorization for this work is signed by the Twp. Board and the Road Commissioners at this meeting.

Mr. Pratt is asked to furnish the Road Commission with a memorandum as to the agreement with the State Highway Dept. as to the \$50.00 which they have allowed for the storage of the picnic tables in the building at the fair grounds. He promises to do so. Commission asks why our building where they are stored is not satisfactory; and told that there is no room to work on these tables when they have to be readied in the spring. Down at the fairgrounds there is plenty of room and power with which to do the work.

Commission agrees to allow John Trembl to take the tree tops off the bolts which are in the county pit, upon motion by Peterson and support by Gamertsfelder.

Manager and Commission inspected the work requested by the Victory Twp. Board. Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, and confirmed by Eddy and Abrahamson to adjourn at 4:00 P.M.

Florence J. A. Henkel
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Oct. 10, 1962 - Special meeting held prior to meeting with the Road and Bridge Committee at the Courthouse during the Board of Supervisors session. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Letter from Labor Mediation Board read to commission saying a hearing has been set for Oct. 24th, here at Road Commission office.

Some discussion as to the wage situation. The July 1, 1962 bulletin of wages and other information has just been received from Co. Rd. Assoc.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy that the coal bid of Walter Beyer at the price of \$13.75 be accepted. This is based on information from the Mgr. that the BTU content of this coal is greatest of the three bids.

Clerk instructed that the charges for stone and screenings used from Hones Pit will be \$3.16 per ton for the coarse stone and \$1.00 per cu. yd. for the screenin

Motion by Gamertsfelder and supported by Peterson, to adjourn at 4:00 P.M. after the meeting at the courthouse.

Florence A. Hensch
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Oct. 19, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the Oct. 10th meeting were read and approved as read.

Commission Eddy asks Mgr. Abrahamson about the procedure to get a driveway permit regarding the Olson driveway which has been under discussion previously.

Mgr. says Arnold Pineau called and he is going to have Max Blohm gravel the road in his Subdiv. which has to meet specifications.

Mgr. gives commissioners report on equipment breakdowns; two shovels are broken down, so trucks are putting sand on the Fountain Road. One of them should be back in operation by Monday, Oct. 22nd. Also reported transmission is out on the John Deere Loader.

Edward Kainz of Miller Equipment Co. is in with Catalog of equipment and parts. Mgr. leaves at noon for bird hunting. Commissioners take tour in Dodge with Commissioner Peterson acting as chauffeur. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, to have arm rests put on the Dodge Passenger car, and to have this done before the next meeting which is Oct. 24th, the date of the Labor Medication Hearing.

Itinerary of the Comm:- From road office to the Fountain Road, now being repaired. Visited gravelling job in Victory Twp. on Dennis & Beyer Rds.; then to Sugar Grov Road; and on to Round Lake and north on that new road; south of Custer to Chauvez and went over blacktop that was put in on the Chauvez road and then went to see the culvert which was extended on the Schwass Road; visited Kistler road 1/2 mi. west of Monton's, where the new culvert is being put in.

Motion made by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, to adjourn at 4:00 P.M.

Florence A. Hensch
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

ADA700

Oct. 24, 1962 - Special meeting held with all commissioners present together with Mgr. and Clerk; Hearing Officer Hyman Parker and his steno-typist; Employees Harry Bedker, Homer Molyneux and William Gordon were present. Meeting was scheduled for 10:00 A.M. but Union Rep. Leroy McNich did not arrive until 10:30 A.M.

Mr. Parker reviewed the former proceedings since the original request for meeting in April 1962. The request for the Fact Finding meeting indicated only a discussion on wages was desired or in dispute, however, the entire nine original points were again allowed to be brought forth by the Union Representative William Gordon, employee, is sworn in by Parker, and asked several questions which he cannot answer. No others are sworn in.

McNich says previous meetings were unsuccessful in any negotiations, they only received a flat NO on all proposals except the discussion on safety. He is reminded by the commission that he and the employees have meetings in which to discuss the issues privately and make up their minds for action, and the commission should certainly be entitled to the same privilege.

McNich wants to compare wage rates with industries such as Dows; also compares fringe benefits and wages with counties statewide instead of in the general area. He is asked to produce his information on fringe benefits and cannot do so.

Parker then asks who will be the spokesman for the Commission and Mgr. is indicate Parker asks what is the commission's position on this wage situation and the other issues. Mgr. says that since only the wage rates were mentioned in the letter requesting the fact finding hearing, the other issues were NOT discussed further since the meeting with the Mediation Officer Ford. As far as the wage rates themselves are concerned the commission finds that the financial picture at this time would not warrant any raise in rates. Any increase would necessitate laying off additional men.

Parker asks both sides if they have anything further to say, and since the answer is NO, the meeting is concluded and commission leaves for lunch.

After the lunch, the following itinerary was followed by Comm. and Mgr.:-

Visited east half of Sugar Grove Road; Fountain Road gravelling job;
Visited Victory Twp., gravelling on Beyer and Dennis Rds., clay on the Angling Road; Looked at the Fisher Road drain problem near the Backus Bridge; went to Round Lake Road; looked at Tuttle Road in Custer, where gravelling is to be done; returned to the office.

Motion made by Peterson, supported by Camertsfelder to adjourn at 4:00 P.M.

Florence A. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Nov. 2, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. The regular auditor from Auditor General's office was also present, as was Hamlin Twp. Supervisor Leo Sobanski and Charles Maue, Freesoil Twp. Supervisor.

Mr. Sobanski was questioning the overhead charge made on the blacktop materials. Overhead is defined for him and he maintains that the agreement did NOT specifically mention anything but materials. Auditor Klatt tells him that he realizes that the agreements are going to have to be MORE specific but that since charging overhead is a generally accepted practice that the road commission's position would be stronger in any legal decision. After an enlightening discussion on the agreements and what they should contain so that no questions can be raised after the job is done, and so that both sides understand the same conditions existing, Mr. Sobanski presents his check in the amount of \$12,898.63 and requests that the receipt be marked to indicate that Hamlin's account to date has been paid in full, since there is approximately one-half mile on the Piney Ridge Road which was not done, since it is to be relocated at others expense and later blacktopped by Hamlin Twp.

Mr. Sobanski then gives Mgr. Abrahamson his schedule of work desired done in the future by Hamlin Twp.:- (1) 2 miles north from the schoolhouse bet. Decker and Dewey (the Lincoln Road)

- (2) Blacktop on the Jagger Rd. two miles (Lakewood ~~and~~ ^{to} Lakeshore) where gravel was previously placed.
 - (3) Road on the north side of the south Bayou.
 - (4) Sobanski reports that on the new road S-1661 & 1661/B, there are quite a few washouts and they are right up to the edge of the blacktop.
 - (5) Also there are holes in the road around Indian Pete Bayou; and some of the Piney Ridge Road needs draining in about three places.
- (Manager says there will be a man up there today doing some of the above work)

Auditor Klatt says each agreement should contain a very definite statement that the quoted cost is an ESTIMATE ONLY and that the job may go over or under and same should be understood by both parties.

Chas. Maue questions his bill being over the estimate and he thinks there is not enough gravel on the south end of the Tuttle road. Auditor Klatt says Mr. Maue will have to sell his board on the fact that this was just an estimate and that the Board Commission cannot make money on any job and there would be no reason for them not to present the costs just as they were on the job, and that an estimate IS just what the word says, an ESTIMATE.

Mr. Klatt gives the board an idea about the bridge money which the Supervisors are juggling up and down in their budget from year to year, that perhaps they should not be including this item at all. More definite information will have to be obtained on this before any more bridge building jobs are accepted.

Discussion on item in Aud. Gen'l special report about the gravel screen and Klatt is told that the gravel screen (after the repairs mentioned in the report) was used to crush up the salvage materials from the old blacktop, adding pit run gravel and then relaying same. He notes this on the report.

Klatt says he will meet with the board and read his report to them before he submits it to Lansing.

After lunch, commission and manager went to look at the blacktop jobs in Hamlin Twp. re complaints of washouts on some of them right up to edge of blacktop. Also, to look at the work for the future requested by Sobanski; Looked at the Freeman Creek crossing job; and visited the Thunder and Blue Lake Subdivisions to see how the new grades were working out regarding washouts.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Camertsfelder, to adjourn at 4:10 P.M.

Flaviano A. Klesch
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

ADA700

Nov. 5, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Discussion on Chicago Road show to be held in February. Clerk to write and inquire about possible reservations at the Central Plaza Hotel where commissioners stayed the last time, six years ago.

Victory Twp. now has a bridge which needs repairs, and the engineer is working on the estimate for same, but Mgr. says this should not be started this time of year to get into another expensive project like the Dennis Road culvert, and the previous one in Eden Twp.

Commission and Mgr. went to the Brown gravel pit to see our operations being set up there; cruised the southern part of the county and looked at the Schwass Road drain

Upon motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, meeting was adjourned at 3:25 P.M. without re-assembly in the commission room.

Flourance A. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Nov. 9, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Auditor Victor Klatt was present to read the report to be made to his office as a follow-up of the report made to the Road and Bridge Committee of 3/29/62. It is difficult for him to answer this completely and specifically since some of the item commented on were not fully explained in the original report and the partial comment are not all factual and lead to much misunderstanding. The ideas of the auditor for the Auditor General's office differ from those of the State Highway Dept., both of whom are involved in the auditing of road commission work and the reports to be submitted to same. This is especially true in the case of equipment expense accounts and the cost accounting of gravel production. There are too many details in both operations for spot checking to be factual and fair.

Commissioners and Mgr. inspected the following locations after lunch:-

- (1) The sand lift on the Stiles Road, our Project No. P-1562.
- (2) - Johnson's pit in Riverton Twp.
- (3) - The Ordway Road, in Riverton and Eden Twps.
- (4) - The Yeager Gravel Pit.
- (5) - Inspected east and west Sugar Grove Road.

Mgr. reported that the contents of the letter from the Hearing Officer just received on Nov. 8th, was discussed with the commission during this trip and they will stand pat on their former decisions and hearing officer is to be advised accordingly within ten days.

Adjourned without reconvening in the upstairs office.

Flourance A. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

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Nov. 16, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Clerk ~~and~~ read to the commission from the Ludington Daily News that part of the Official Proceedings which had been entered as the accepted report of the Road and Bridge Committee after meeting with the commission during the Oct. session of the Bd. of Supervisors. As recorded, the report was NOT factual. The commission did NOT oppose the twps getting gravel from a contractor if it could be obtained cheaper, the only objection they had was that the contractor might not spread the gravel sufficiently for safe travel, and the road commission would still have to contribute to this work of smoothing which would be the difference in the price of gravelling in the first place.

Clerk presents copy of statement to be sent to Wadel Construction Co. for their bill of \$93.05 which is over a year old and ordered collected by the auditor. This contains a notice to Wadel that same will be turned over to Prosecuting Attorney unless payment is made in ten days. This is signed by the Chairman.

Mgr. reports on his meeting with the Custer Twp. Bd. regarding the overage on the Tuttle Road job. Supt. Wing accompanied him to this meeting on the 12th of Nov. Orla Allison, Trustee, said there was not enough money in the budget to take care of this overage; Roland Miller, another Trustee, is satisfied with the job and thinks they got their money's worth. No further ~~agf~~ agreement on this was presented or signed. Mgr. thought it was too late to ask for this inasmuch as this job was done, he felt it would cause unnecessary trouble.

They brought up the matter of snow-plowing cemeteries and Roland Miller suggested that each township pay so much per year. Commission unanimously says "Definitely No", on such a set up. This matter was discussed to some length and manager and clerk are to make up a rough draft of a letter to be sent to each township board on policy to be adopted; which was thought to be best by charging a minimum of one hour for this type of work, and anything over one hour then would be the actual time worked. This will keep employees wages, fringe benefits and equipment rental straight on the books.

Mgr. presents a tentative plan and figures on a plant-mix program for next year under Federal Aid program. Sounds too good to be true says Commissioner Peterson. Question arose about gravel from Jones Pit in preference to Brown Pit, when mention was made of stockpiling gravel near the Chauvez Rd. which would then leave about a ten-mile haul to the Sugar Grove Road blacktopping project.

Mgr. and commission take tour in P.M. Gamertsfelder made motion for adjournment at 4:00 P.M.

Florence A. Link
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Nov. 20, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Chairman signed payroll checks. Clerk read minutes of the preceding meeting and same were approved as read.

Discussion on gravel troubles at the Brown Pit. More discussion on the Jones Pit gravel, and the agreement concerning the time allowed for removal of gravel under the contract. Commissioners had thought there was a five year limit on this, but same only applies to a specific description in the contract called Paragraph 2 b, and refers to the S.W. corner near the cottages and lots. Mgr. and Ed Larsen studied maps of this area and Mgr. will make a special investigation to see if there is any more gravel to be removed from this area before the expiration of the five years on June 30, 1963. (Engr. Lunde advised Mgr. that all such gravel had been removed)

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that the culver pipe at the Madisen St. dump in Ludington for which the commission's bid of \$2800. for 15 pieces of 72" salvage culvert pipe should be removed to county road property.

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immediately. Discussion on locking the stockroom and the buying of small tools.

Mgr. reports that on the Piney Ridge Road, they haven't got the deed for this yet. Barthell, Ludington City Attny, is writing up an abandonment procedure for Stearns. He wants this abandonment in the event of future plans for the land in area of present road.

Mgr. reports that he has tried to contact Pros. Attorney Gavigan regarding the hearing for the Monton-Beard fence controversy and Gavigan is deer-hunting.

Frank Domres is present to demonstrate a truck washer to the commission. This is a Greco-Power Flo (10 to 1) washer, a demonstrator, for which he is asking \$465.00. This uses 7 gallons of water with a compound added. Compound comes in 50# pails at approx. \$27.00 per pail. Commission Gamertsfelder was called home because of wife having been injured and therefore the commission do not want to take action on buying this until he is present. Domres made the following statement to the commission: "If you buy this washer and, in two or three months time, you do not want to keep it for any reason, or find you cannot make good use of it, I will take it back at the purchase price."

Further discussion on the stockroom lock situation is resumed. When Auditor Klatt was present and reading his report to the commission for their approval or disapproval before submitting same to the Auditor General's office, he made the statement "the stockroom is now locked, and when the weather demands snow plowing so crew is working at night, further arrangements will be made in regard to this matter." Is that correct?" There were no corrections or comment. However, it is now learned that the night mechanic, Louis Gimbutis, had been given a key. The final decision on this matter is to be discussed further on Friday, Nov. 23rd.

Edward Larsen, equipment expense accounting clerk, who is responsible for the inventories being correct, appeared at the meeting also to protest lack of knowledge regarding the stockroom key. Also discussion on the Motorgrader work being done for Gerald Cameron. On Oct. 6, 1962, 3 hours of work was done for him and he was only charged the state equipment rental rate, which is only \$5.66 per hour compared to \$15.00 charged by Towns for a Motorgrader.

Work for individuals has not been done for quite some time previous to this, but when it was, rates comparable to a contractor were charged to discourage this type of work. However, the Mgr. Maintained we could not be making a profit and had instructed this work to be billed at the state rate for equipment rental, which was done. It now appears a dangerous precedent has again been set, this will be discussed further on Friday, Nov. 23rd.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Chairman Eddy, to adjourn at 4:40 P.M.

Lorance A. Eddy
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Nov. 23, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read, with some reservation as to the exact statement of the auditor regarding the stockroom situation as herein quoted by secretary. This statement will be clarified as soon as auditor can be contacted.

Doc Cole of Cole Bros. in Traverse City was present to discuss a new Model John Deere loader which is a bigger machine than one Rd. Com. has and the new model has more horsepower.

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Reynard Munson who lives in Riverton Twp. was in to complain about a big tree which had been removed from the other side of the Schwass Road near St. Mary's drain and pushed across into his orchard. He says this has been done about six weeks now, and says he wrote in about this about two weeks ago. Mgr. acknowledges receipt of this letter. Mgr. and commission will look into this.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, confirmed by Eddy, that NO WORK BE DONE FOR INDIVIDUALS which could be done by other contractors in the county.

~~NOTICE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MICHIGAN, NOVEMBER 23, 1962~~

Comm. and Mgr. go to lunch and after lunch make the following inspections:-

- (1) - The tree situation on the Munson property.
- (2) - Stiles road construction job.

Clerk requests that the Petty Cash Fund be increased to \$50.00 from the present \$10.00 since considerable shipments of repair parts are coming by bus collect, and with one shipment only taking a payment of \$4.20, the \$10.00 fund is depleted almost every two weeks and has to be replenished.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy that Petty Cash Fund be increased to \$50.00.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson to adjourn at 4:30 P.M.

Flourance H. Leuk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Nov. 20, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of previous meeting are read and approved as read. Clerk read another letter from the Michigan Mutual Liability Ins. Co. claims attorney, saying that Mrs. Gilbert Cobb did not have any coverage on her car at the time she struck the county car on Dec. 8, 1961 he is therefore going to proceed against her in other legal manners.

Mgr. reports that the petition which was presented in the Monton-Beard feud was declared illegal by Pros. Attorney. It should have contained the names of the land-owners involved. No hearing necessary because there are no buildings on the property in question.

Grant Schaffer, real estate man wants to know if there is any objection to naming a road into the Subdiv. at Buttersville, the Speer Blvd. The road is now being built. Since there is no similar name involved, there is no objection.

Mgr. reports he went to the Sauble Motel to ask them to move their sign for better visibility and they APPEARED very co-operative.

Geo. Meade complaining about culvert at his place on the Custer Road. Commission and Mgr. will look into this this noon.

Agreements for Sherman Road name signs and Sheridan Twp. for work they want done on the Morse Road.

Brought up matter of the Greco washer which Frank Domres left here to be tried out, and Gamertsfelder says as long as he gave a two or three months trial period, it may as well be taken advantage of before deciding on it.

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Mgr. and commission visited the following locations in the afternoon:-

1. Ordway and Hawley Roads - sink holes on these roads.
2. Visited the south Stiles road where the sand lift is being put on, in Center Riverton.
3. Looked at the Fountain Road and declare it to be a nice job.
4. Visited the east and west sections on the Sugar Grove Road.
5. Looked at the Tuttle Road in Custer Twp.
6. Looked at Geo. mead's culvert.

Adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Lorence A. Kunk

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

Dec. 5, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Quite a discussion on the stockroom procedures. Key or no key at night still up in the air.

Victory Twp. agreement for repairs of Bridge on Victory Corners Road signed by the commission, but commission says to advise Victory Twp. by letter that no work on this project will be attempted this year nor until after the high water goes down next spring as previous experience shows actual costs too great on two bridge projects started at this time of year.

Manager informs commission about the vandalism being perpetrated on our highway signs throughout the county. Stop signs are being turned around, or taken entirely, holes are being shot in them, and other acts of vandalism which are costly and might get road commission into trouble.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson authorizing Chairman to sign the blanket tree trimming permit requested by Consumers Power Co.

Discussion on bridge repairs and who shall get guard rail order per bids.

Gas company wants to make out a layout on the gas heating for the garage.

Geo. Towns in to see where Mgr. wants gravel to be put that he is furnishing for the State Highway Department. This 23-A is \$1.85 per ton, which would be \$2.77½ per cu. yd. This will be weighed on the scale at Stokely's.

Commission and manager went on the following tour after lunch:

1. Went down Custer Road south, and when across on the Wilson Road that Custer Twp. wants to fix.
2. Visited Stiles road sand lift.
3. Chauvez Road where culvert is being widened.
4. Lakeshore Drive, looked at this year's blacktop.
5. Virnetta Drive is rough and has big chunks of asphalt in. Twp. will have to gravel this.
6. Checked Towns' plat.
7. Fountain Road and Custer Road - checked stop signs missing.
8. Visited east end of Sugar Grove Road.

Adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Lorence A. Kunk

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

Dec. 14, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved as read.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Peterson, that Chairman sign the blanket permit for tree trimming by the Michigan Bell Telephone Co.

Vouchers signed by commission for Wm. C. Martin gravel taken from the Brown Pit in Nov. 1962, 7,110 cu. yds. of gravel and 325 cu. yds. top dirt taken in June 14, 1962 to Eden project and not included in previous payment of gravel produced by contractor, for a total of \$1,487.00; also signed voucher for rebuilding of Oshkosh to L. B. Jersey for \$15,362.49, this is supposed to carry a six-month guarantee the same as a new truck but nothing in writing is received to support same. Commission were informed that one operator reported this truck would not hold high gear; the other operator had not driven it in this gear and therefore could not verify or deny same. Mgr. tells Stan Heustis who is present representing Oshkosh, that they are also having ~~trouble~~ trouble with the brakes freezing up on this truck. Keson has put a vaporizer on the brakes to see if this will correct the trouble, and he should check out the matter of the gear.

Commission goes to lunch and after lunch make the following tour. First to Miney's Corners on the East Sugar Grove road, then to Reek School, on to Fountain, on the the Custer and Freesoil roads, the Hoague Road, where they almost got stuck, on to the Stiles Road, down to the First St. Road and then back to the barn.

Leo Sobanski of Hamlin Twp. was present to talk over three estimates for next year's work with the commission. He is again protesting overhead and the item on the estimates referred to as 'contingencies at 10%'. However, his objections are not so serious that he does not ask for agreements to be drawn up for him and same is done on the three projects and signed by the commission.

1. West of Barnharts -	Estimated at	\$781.00	
2. Illinois Street	"	1,470.00	
3. Jagger Road blktop-	"	7,534.00	
			Total Est.- \$9,785.00

Sobanski also asks to have the Twp. dump plowed once every two weeks the rest of the winter. He is told that the minimum charge for this will be one hour, and actual cost if over one hour. He is agreeable to this charge.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, to adjourn at 4:30 P.M.

Florence A. Klenk
Clerk

Floyd Eddy
Chairman

Dec. 20, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Mr. Arthur Voxx, newly appointed road commissioner was present at this meeting. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the clerk and approved as read.

Payroll checks are signed by the Chairman and accounts payable vouchers are reviewed and signed by the commissioners.

Commissioner Peterson questions the pay for the top dirt used in June 1962 on the Eden job which was included in the current payment to Wm. Martin, owner of the Brown Pit.

Mgr. brings up the matter of the status of Otto Kollberg, employee. Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Eddy, that Otto Kollberg now be considered a permanent employee as of this date, and that all fringe benefits such as vacation, sick leave, holiday pay, etc. shall start to accrue one year from this date, and that Blue Cross coverage would be available to him after three months in this status.

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Edward
Edward Bretschneider and son were in regarding the condition of a culvert on the Brye Road near where they live on the Dennis Road. He wrote in about this and mgr. reports letter was received and Ben Coolman went out and took a look at it and said it was beyond repair and would have to be replaced and this is now on the agenda for fixing when weather will permit.

Bretschneider had previously complained to Commissioner Peterson about not getting proper snow-plowing, but when questioned about this said that his road had been plowed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and commission felt that he had received unusually good service. He agreed.

Mgr. states that the gravel test at the Brown pit by state inspectors had shown this to be good blacktop gravel. Asks commission's approval to haul this to a stockpile site $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of Scottville; this will be about 8000 cu. yds. for next year's blacktop work.

Reported that the culverts being purchased from Ludington have not been brought up yet but are to be hauled up as soon as there is a break in the weather..

Frank Domres who left the truck washing machine for trial wants his money or to pick it up, and commission says let him pick it up, manager is to notify him of this decision. Compressor we now have is not adequate power for a good job with this machine and mgr. is not satisfied with place trucks have to be washed.

Motion by Peterson and supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Eddy, that 10% of the MVHF Primary fund be transferred to the Local Fund as same is overspent by a considerable amount whereas the primary fund shows a balance, and maintenance on the local roads has been excessively high, especially in regard to snow removal the first part of 1962.

Commission and manager, together with the incoming commissioner, took a tour of the county and adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Indefinite to him 1/21/63
Laurance Link

Clerk

Floyd Eddy

Chairman

Dec. 28, 1962 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. The newly appointed commissioner, Arthur Voss, was also present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Commission was advised of Wm. Martin garnishment served by Sheriff on Dec. 27, 1962.

Bob Smith of Smith and Eddy Ins. Agency was present to see about the renewal of the coverage on the buildings and contents. This is on a 5-year basis, the first year of coverage having been in 1962, effective Jan. 1st. The policy did not contain a schedule of coverage breakdowns and none was received by the clerk, therefore a thermo-fax copy is made from the original in Smith's file and he says he will send us one to attach to our policy. The minutes show that in the proposal, the coverage was \$15,000. on the metal storage building, and there was no mention of outside storage items. In the schedule itself, the coverage on the metal storage building is listed as \$13,000. with the other \$2,000. shown as being on the 'contents in the field'. Smith says there will be no change in the rate unless there is a change made in this schedule of coverages. He will make a change in this schedule as soon as the 'B' type flue is installed over the Steam Jenny.

Motion by Peterson, supported by Gamertsfelder, that the Chairman Floyd Eddy, sign the form for the renewal of the insurance coverage on the buildings and contents with the Smith and Eddy Agency for the year Jan. 1, 1963 to Jan. 1, 1964, at a premium of \$1,238.88.

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Smith says the law says that the insured shall make a survey of the premises and if the rating man of the Michigan inspection service out of G.R. gives us a bad time about not having done this, tell the Inspector that we are not quite ready yet and then give Smith a ring and he will come up and do this for us. Any change that is desired at any time, just let him know.

Commission was informed that an agreement has been signed by Fred Holz, south of Scottville, for the space to be used for stockpiling gravel from the Brown Pit for \$50.00 from Dec. 1962 to Dec. 1963. Signed by Holz, Abrahamson and Wing, and is in accounts paid voucher file with payment to Holz.

Frank Guske, was in to complain that his road to his farm 9 miles south of Custer, has not been plowed out. No one lives on this road and he is told that we do not plow roads on which no one lives, unless specifically requested to do so. He just wants to get in there once in a while.

Commissioners and Mgr. toured county to view snow-plow work and Commissioner Petersor admits that a good job has been done.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M. without reconvening in the office.


Clerk


Chairman