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Jan. 3, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present, also Mgr. and Clerk Minutes of Dec. 27th, 1963 meeting read and approved as read.

Mgr. reports Sheridan Twp. has requested their dump plowed. Chairman says that this matter was discussed last year and because of the inaccessibility of this dump, it was then decided not to bother with it anymore. This is a bad place where people dump their rubbish all along the sides of the road and it would actually be cleaning up the dump to try and plow this stuff back from the road.

Mgr. reads letter from Brendan Daly, Mgr. of Oceana Road Com. who is suggesting that the 26th senatorial district start a group meeting with Manistee, Lake, Mason, Newaggo and Oceana Counties participating. There would be no dues collected and each county who was the host county would act as Chairman of the meeting. Daly asks for comments on this suggestion and further suggestions.

Comr. Gamertsfelder asks if Shop Foreman Keson has been down to W. E. Readers to see wh they have that we could use. Mgr. says Gust Keson has a list, but no prices as yet.

Commission and Mgr. adjourn for funch at Ludington, then to proceed to Oceana County Rd Commission to view th ir new b lding. Adjourned from this trip at 4:00 P.M.

Jan. 10, 1964 - Regular meeting held wiht all commissioners present, also mgr. and clerk.

Clerk presents summary of 1963 'unfinished business' as far as evidence is shown in subsequent minutes. Board reviews summary with some found to be taken care of and some not yet, while some are not for the commissions action as yet. This summary filed with this record this date. Com, loss asker about Wadel Gravel '59; Clf instructed to send bill for 1000 yet. @ 1.60 per yet.

Mgr. reports that he called Geo. Walters Pros. Attorney about the condemnation pro-

ceedings of the Walters property and he is swamped with court cases.

Chairm, requests that snowplowing be discontinued on the Prusinouski Road, this land belong to the state, and plowing it encourages people to try driving in there.

Discussion on the snowplowing being done for Dr. Kellawan in making the turn around in his circular driveway as he requested earlier. Gamertsfelder reports that Dr. Kellawan's wife told him that when county trucks were turning around at end of county road just at the starting of their property, before agreement to make it a circular tur around their driveway, that it took a truck 45 minutes to turn around where county time road ends.

Chas. Maue, Supervisor of Freesoil Twp., was in to report that his board thinks *they should *k not have to pay for the Tuttle Road except according to the estimate instead of the actual cost. Discussion then got off at a tangent about the Yoh Company tax appraisals. Return to subject at hand revealed that Maue had brought a check made out in the amount of \$583.54, which they had labelled *balance of Tuttle Road work*. Board says balance of \$407.26 whould be paid, as Maue was told by the auditor during his last visi

In the presence of the three commissioners, mgr. and clerk, Maue then crosses out the words 'balance of Tuttle Road work' and places his initials C.M. after same, this check was No. 102, dated Jan. 6, 1964, and signed by Michael Tybicki, Twp. Treas. Receipt No. 3505 dated 1/10/64 was issued to FreesoilTwp. showing the balance of \$990.80 due, less the payment of \$583.54, leaving a further balance due of \$407.26.

Maue mentions paying more in February; they owe this balance and \$1,113.11 for the Darr Bridge.

Maue asks for an estimate of work on Stephens Road, from East Ext limits of Village of Freesoil, north to the bridge.

Also mentions that Tom Zerguski, Sec. 34, wants better drainage on the Freeman Road. Says culvert in front of his place needs cleaning out so water can flow down into the ditch instead of crossing the road; wants larger culvert.

Also Steve Waligorski, Sec. 15, on Koenig Rd. and Stephens, has 40 acres and wants a culvert; never needed a culvert but has now built a house out there.

Also mentions that the road between Sherman and Freesoil Twps. needs some work; this is 2 miles south of Freesoil by Charles Jacobson's.

Maue says his Twp. board meets the first Monday of each month.

Board adjourns to go down to look at the used equipment which the W. E. Reader Co. has; shop equipment which Rd. Comm. might be interested in and on which they have now set a price. Chairman does not accompany other two commissioner on this mission. Motion is made by Gamertsfelder and supported by Voss to purchase three items:

1. Brake drum lathe - \$1,950.00

2. Dual Wheel jack and carriage - \$100.00

3. Hydraulic Press - , 600.00

Clerk

Chairman

Jan. 20, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present, together with Her and Cli

Herman Outcalt was in to talk more about Jebavy Drive and try to find some way for the commission to change it back to Lakewood Drive. He says there is still a lot of feeling about the fact that no attention was paid to the rescinding of the motions requesting the change. Comr. Voss said, "When we made this change we thought it was the right thing to do, but I want to say here and now that we should take a long sober look at this thing." Outcalt says he only wants what is best for the most people. Gamertsfelder says the 'state man' said the commission could be sued if they changed back now. (the state man referred to was Clark Neidermeier of the Co. Rd. Assoc. of Mich.) Outcalt says the people who LIVE on that road should have something to say about the name. Outcalt prepares to leave and says to commission, "Will you discuss this a little and see what you could do"?

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read. The Hamlin Twp. agreements (originals)were presented to the commission for signature. The Twp. Boar has signed, but did not return their pink copies for commission signature. Chairman says he thinks all copies should be signed at the same time, and one has to be corrected by Engr. who has Lakewood Drive indicated thereon instead of Lakeshore Driv Chairman says estimate on the work requested by Supervisor Maue of Freesoil Twp. at the last meeting should not be sent until more of their outstanding bill is paid; and bridge was to be paid as soon as bridge was finished.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss, confirmed by Peterson to buy an overhead door for northwest corner xk of the shop which is now in splinters because it is a folding door and swung out as a truck was driving in.

William Beard of the Beard-Monton controversy wants the fence taken down from the road right-of-way and the road opened up as it was in the first place. County road only goes back about 900 feet. Clerk to prepare notice to Monton's as directed by Mgr. (This letter was prepared 1/21/64 to the effect that the fence would have to be removed before March 1st, 1964, as the county wanted to regrade the road, and letter was sent with copy also going to Beard)

Chairman brought up the matter of the road between the Middle and South Bayou in Hamlin Twp.; Herman Attman of Holland, Michigan, wants to know if he would have a right to build there with the road only 25 feet wide. He has previously been referred to Engr. Lunde on this matter. Present status unknown.

Engr. Lunde up to discuss grading equipment needs and the road building program for the next two years.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Peterson, to advertise for bids for two earth-scrapers of the 7 to 12 yd. capacity group for opening on Feb. 201 trade-ins to be the D-6 Caterpillar and the John Deere Loader Also to advertise for bids on gasoline, diesel and motor oil to be opened on March 5th, and for grader blades, asphalt, culverts, etc. for opening on the 5th of April; also for insurance coverages on the same date.

Engr. figures about \$60,000. will be spent for F.A.S. Matching, \$23,000. on the Walhalla bridge, and \$37,000. on roads for a grading program to be followed with a hot plant mix program the same as in 1963; this would be about 11-2/10 miles. Program appears acceptable to the Commission.

Vouchers for bills in the amount of \$12,780.42 were reviewed, approved and signed Commission adjourned at approximately 4:15 P.M. Will skip the meeting for the 24th and meet on Wednesday the 29th.

Clerk

Chairman

Jan. 29, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present together with Mgr. and Clerk.

Mgr. reports that the Monton boys are coming in, also that he has talked to Bill Beard's attorney, Claire, and he will draw up the papers for the easement if there is some agreement for the ditch. Comr. Peterson reports that Beard was at his house and said the only way he would settle now was for the road to be pu back the way it was. Monton promised to fix the ditch and he didn't do it and now he wants the road back as it was.

Gamertsfelder reports that Paul Sherburn, Chairman of the finance committee stop ped in at his house and says the supervisors will not go along with the Register of Deeds doing recording work for Rd. Comm without charge. But if we will bill them for the work done at the Courthouse in disposing of their old records, he i sure that it will be honored.

Motion made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss and confirmed by Peterson, that supervisors be billed for the disposition of records at the courthouse.

Charles and LaVerne Monton appear before the board. They were notified to remove the fence on or before the 1st of March, 1964 as the Road. Comm. intended to regrade the Benedict Road. They are here to protest this action. They do not fee this is a sensible settlement of this matter. They want the road commission to run a ditch in there instead of a road. Voss asked if Montons would put a ditch in there. Monton says the county has collected money on that road and they thin the county should put the ditch in.

LaVerne Monton says he will definitely fight any attempt to put a road back ther He is told that his father, now deceased, promised to put the ditch back the way it was. He says his father never told them that he had made that promise. He i told that the commission has a tape-recording of this hearing. After more discussion, they leave the meeting.

Ed Kainz of Miller Equip. Co. and William Kloss of Clark Equipment Co. are in to take the commissioners, engineer and manager to lunch. They return at 2 P.M. and run a movie showing the earth-scrapers they are trying to interest the commission in.

During the time commission is gone, the clerk has listened to the recording as t Monton's promises. He had said he would put the ditch back the way it was, and maintain same, and if ditch was then put back to the quarterline, he and Beard would then share the maintenance of that part beyond the present road limit.

Commission then listen to the entire tape to hear this for themselves.

Mg reports that the new overhead door for the N.W. corner of the shop will cos \$725.00, the approval motion for this purchase was made at the previous meeting.

Mgr. reports that employee William Gordon wants change in paid holiday policy so they will get a certain number of paid holidays even the they fall on Saturday. Gamertsfelder reports on some compatient from Richard Hansen re hours of work giv him, regarding being called in, sent home, and then not recalled at night.

Engr. comes up re Herman Attman matter in Hamlin Twp. re the width of a road between the Bayous. Engr. writes a letter to Attman in reply to this, which Chairm signs.

Meeting is adjourned at 4:45 P.M

Clerk

Julius Peterson Chairman Feb. 5, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present together with Mgr. & Clk

Herman Atman of Hamlin Lake Resort is present to discuss the road past his property which is in Block 28 and 27 of this resort. Width of the road on both sides to the south is 25 feet and in spots it is wider. He says he has an existing bldg there now and it is beyond repair. He wants to build a new one but before the Hamlin Twp. Bd. will grant a permit, he has to know the width of the road. Atman says if road commission is going to demand 25 feet on each side of the road that piece of property is obsolete as far as he is concerned.

Atman reads a letter from the Reg. of Deeds (Godin) regarding road width; it is 10 feet on the west and 30 feet on the aast. Engr. Lunde says at the time of the Plat, the railroad obtained a 50 ft. R.O.W. and then 15 years later, deeded it back to the township for a road R.O.W. The width of the road is 50 feet. From the Middle Bayou to the South Bayou, it is 50 feet all the way through.

Atman asks if commission wants him to bring plans of a new building and a sketch of it, and is told 'yes.' He says the proposed plans are at Modewegs, he will get ther and be back at road commission office at 1:30 P.M.

Minutes of Jan. 20th and 29th meetings are read, and approved with minor correction:

Mgr. reports he called John Claire, attorney for William Beard and he said to let him see Beard first.

Hubbell, Amber Twp., Supervisor wants estimate on the Brye road south of the Holida: Motel.

P.M. Twp. had requested that a road name sign be erected as Virnetta Drive, althorpart of the road is named Oakwood Drive. The Michigan Consolidated Gas Co. wants this to be made officially Virnetta Drive all the way through as there is an Oakwood Drive in Sun Ray Subdivision. This subdivision was platted by Rasmus Hansen (now owned by Leonard King) in 1954; the Oakwood Drive in Boswell's Subdivision was not platted until 1959.

Payroll checks signed by the Chairman, and bills were reviewed, approved and signed in the amount of \$6,845.92.

Doc Cole and Arkie Loe, representatives of the John Deere Co. were in to promote their equipment. They say Benzie Co Rd. Comm; Wexford and Mecosta have these scrapers.

Motion by Gam., supported by Voss, to authorize the Chairman and Clerk to sign the contract with Scott Engineering Co. for the engineering services for the Walhalla Br

During the afterooon discussion with Atman, the following stipulation was dictated by the Engineer:— The existing garage and boat-house on the west side of Lakeshore Road is now located within 8 feet of the abs edge of the pavement; the road commissic agrees to permit him, with the approval of the Hamlin Twp. Board, to remove the boat house and garage and to erect a residence which will be at least 16 feet from the west edge of the existing blacktop road; there are to be no porches or patios or other obstructions within these 16 feet.

Adjourned at approximately 3 4:45/P.M.

Clerk

Chairman

Minutes of Feb. 5th read and approved as read. Mgr. reports that Riverton Twp. ks going to try and come in the 28th of Feb.

Mgr. says he called Clair, Beard's Attorney, and he hadn't seen Beard since his last call. Papers report that Beard has gone to Florida.

The following resolution was passed upon Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Peterson, that the entire board sign same:-

"Whereas a survey of rights and interests in property now held by the State Highway Commissioner in the portion of abandoned state trunk line US-10 described as: - 2 "US-10 as abandoned 12-29-37" has been completed in accordance with announced policy and procedure for disposal of property rights on abandoned state ranks trunk line highways, and

Whereas it appears that certain of these rights and interests should be transferred to the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Mason to permit proper exercise of the authority vested in said body under provisions of Act 283, Public Acts of 1909, as amended, and

Whereas the State Highway Commissioner has agreed to transfer these certain rights and interests to the said Board of County Road Commissioners by appropriate instruments,

Now, Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Mason does hereby request that the property rights and interests indicated and recited in the Right of Way map and Inventory list attached hereto and made a part hereof be conveyed to said Board of County Road Commissioners.

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS
of the County of Mason
/s/ Julius Peterson, Chairman
Lz Gamertsfelder, Member
Arthur Voss, Member

(certified by the Clerk)

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Paragraph of letter from County Road Assoc. read by Engr. to the effect that the Bd. of Directors of that Assoc. at their meeting in August of 1963, had gone on record as opposing any action to make amendments to the new constitution before the legislature had a chance to put same into effect. The Michigan Good Roads Federation, thrus Don Potter, had requested that toad commissions help collect the necessary signatures of which 345,000 are needed to put the two amendments on the ballot at the November election, to elect the highway commissioner and to safeguard the gas and weight tax for highway purposes only.

Discussion on Primary road which Manistee wants Mason County to participate in continuing on through Mason County as this is the only way the State will allow them to make it a Primary Road.

Discussion on comparison of Lake County and Mason County roads re statement from the during meeting on the 12th. Mason has 930 miles certified, with 172 miles of blackto and 479 miles of gravel; whereas Lake County with 981 miles has 162 miles of blackto and only 151 miles of gravel, the rest are trails.

Commission adjourns at noon to proceed to Manistee County to look at the pusher type scrapers which they have, the La Fourneaus. Adjourn upon return at approx. 4:00 P.M.

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Chairman

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2, 1964 - Commissioners, Mgr. and Engr. made a trip to Wexford, Benzie and Lake Counties to view some equipment and work done by same in anticipation of the earth-mover bids which will be opened on Feb. 20th, at 1:30 P.M.
Commission adjourned this date upon return at 5:15 P.M.
Clerk Chairman
1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners, manager and clerk present.
Mgr. mentions that centerline painting salesmen was in and wants to talk to the commission. Chairman mentioned that he owes us some work on the previous job he did
Payroll checks are signed by the Chairman and bills in the amount of \$8,143.95 are reviewed, approved and signed by the board. Mgr. and Comr. Gamertsfelder object to comment on Max Rahn Jr. sand bill. This notation was put on by Clerk for the exprespurpose of recording hos this account came to be presented at this late date when same should have been part of 1963 business and clerk knew nothing of this indebtedness.
Ed Kainz of Miller Equipment and Walter McNitt of Contractors Machinery are present to peddle their wares regarding the bids to int be opened at 1:30 P.M. Contractors have another representative present, name not known. Kainz talks of a trip to Benton Harbor to view Clark Equipment on which he is offering bid.
Commissioners adjourn for lunch, and upon return, bids are opened for two earth scrapers; upon which bids were as follows:
1. Schamber - Oliver-Hancock Gross price - \$51,090 Trade-Ins -\$6,500 (3 wks. del'y) (no disc) Net - \$43,590.00 Without trade-insNet - \$51,090 -5% 10 Das.
1-b Soil-Mover, Inc. Columbus-Nebraska \$51,800 - Gross less trade ins. \$6,500. & \$1,000. 44_300Net price m/ " ", net 10 days, no disWithout_trade=ins= \$51,800 net price, less 5%_in 10_days
2. Clark Equip, (Miller Equipment) (30 days del'y) \$ 69,810 Gross less trade ins. \$ 8,000. & 2,750. 2% - 10 days.
Without trade-ins - \$59,060 net price, less 2% - 10 days. 3. Telford-Doolen (LeTourneau) \$ 67,180 Gross less trade ins \$7500. & 3500. (4 weeks del'y) Net 15 days. Without trade-ins - \$63,880. net price, 1% - 15 days.
4. LeTourneau-Westinghouse (Telford-Doolen) (3 wks. del'y) \$ 56,078 Gross less trade-ins - \$7,500. & 3.500. net - 15 days.
Without trade-ins- \$ 53,328.00, net price, 1% 15 days.
5. John Deere (Cole Equipment Co.) \$ 54,000-Gross, less trade ins- \$ 14,000. & 4,000 (immediate delivery) net, no discount Without trade-ins - \$ 50,000, net price, no discount.
Euclid (Contractors Machinery Co \$63,020. less trade ins - \$ 8,603. & 3,000. (two weeks delivery) net - 10 days. Without trade-ins - \$ 55,000, net price, no discount, 10 days.

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Clerk retired from crowded room during this bid opening, and results were tabulated by Engr.

General discussion the balance of the afternoon, clerk not recalled for any pertinent business. Discussion re Ben Coolman to act as Supt. on a weekly trial basis during recuperation of Robert Wing.

Archie Whitaker was in for a social visit. Thanks clerk for co-operation received on warning signs on the Meisenheimer Road in bad culvert xintation situation.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:45 P.M.

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Chairman

Feb. 28, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Riverton Twp. Bd. is present, with Supervisor Birdsall, Clerk Clayton Marrison, Trustee Al Dittmer, and Treas. Elmer Hedstrom.

They want an estimate on the following: - (1) On Appleton road, Hawley to Kistler Rd.

years and someone wants to get back in there to their property.

(2) Gravel on Brue Rd., Kinney to Hawley(3) also mentions bump on Stiles Rd., north of Lundberg's.

They have an estimate on the Anthony road in the amount of \$7,425. Birdsall says Yapl says he doesn't want to stand in the way of getting that road fixed; take the sand and even some trees out if necessary; Frank Brye has sand for the Stiles Road. Birdsall also asks about the Lister Road; 1/2 mile west of Morton School and then nort. This is .42 of a mile and is on the certification. Nothing has been done there for

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss, for the Chairman to sign the road mileage certifications for the year 1964.

Gamertsfelder mentioned 18 ton of Chloride being at Manistee; someone contacted him re garding buying this for \$150.00. However, since Manistee had already turned it down, it is undoubtedly unfit for use.

Doc Cole, John Deere representative, is in to elaborate on the merits of the John Dee earth scraper on which he has entered a bid.

Victory Twp. Board is in during the afternoon with Supervisor Williamson, John Ruba, Clerk; Devere Sterley, Vance Peterson, and Bob Anderson.

They want the Victory Drive road put in the Primary system; Chairman says the state we would not go along with this being only one mile from the Fountain Road which is a Primary Road; they say the Fountain Road is not a good road. Discussion between Ruba and Chairman; Ruba says that Victory Twp. does not get any maintenance work; Chairman says Victory has had more than any other township in the past several years; Ruba not convinced; Chairman requests Clerk to verify this, and Clerk presents each member of the Victory delegation with a copy of the 1962 annual report which contains the maintenance chart showing this to be true. Victory had \$3,000. more maintenance than the next highest Twp. Riverton; Victory has had \$21,000. plus, maintenance in 1962 and a tentative figure presented by the Clerk, shows that Victory's maintenance will be approximately the same for 1963. Ruba does not pursue the subject.

Duscussion on the work to be done for Victory; Mgr. brings up profile of the Victory work to show that 'tree' in question is not on the roadway R.O.W. All study map. Discussion re C. Christensen's problem; board states there is a petition being circulated regarding cutting down the hill on the Fisher Road; this will be brought up at the annual meeting of the twp.

Fred Wertzel of the Telford Doolen Co. is in to arrange a meeting with the commissione to visit a demonstration of a Tournapull in some of the counties which have them. This is set for the 10th of March.

Discussion on raise in wages for Ben Coolman now that he is acting as Supt. Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Peterson to give Cookman a 10¢ per hour raise, effective March 1, 1964.

Gamertsfelder brings up mettter of Ed VorderLandwehr, Janitor, wanting the stockroom door left open so that he can hear the phone when it rings. Chairman says the stockroom door arrangement should remain as it is, locked.

Meeting is adjourned at approximately 4:45 P.M.

Mar. 13, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Only minutes to be read were account of bid openings on Mar. 5th and trip on Mar. 12th. Ed Kainz of the Mille Equipment Co. present to show recently made film of Clark Earth Mover in operation in Kentucky.

In further discussion on the gasoline, diesel and lubricating oil bids, decisions were made as follows upon motion by Voss, supported by Gam. and confirmed by Peterson, that the gasoline bid of Standard Oil at 11.55¢ and the manufactured dual purpose fuel at 11.23¢ with terms of 1% 30 days be accepted.

Also, that the Motor Oil, S-l at a price of 46¢ per gal. be accepted from Standard Oil with same terms. The bid of Sinclair for their Allwether Hydraulic Oil for 40¢ per ga be accepted; and the bid of Blarney Castle Oil Co. (Texaco) for Series-3 for 70¢ per gallon be accepted.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss, confirmed by Peterson, that all bids be accepted on Corr. Metal culvert and concrete and wood culverts.

Motion by Voss, and supported by Gamertsfelder, that the bid of the Bethlehem Steel Co. for steel beam guard rail which meets state specifications, and does not have to be purchased if any specified amounts be accepted; shipment will be from Detroit, but the quotation is for a delivered price, of 91 per ft. for straight sections; 1.28 for curved panels; 2.60 for terminal ends; terms 1/2% - 10 days; Detroit source of supply.

BLADES - Decision on this to await discussion with representatives of the Shults Equip ment Co. at the convention in G.R.; as to specifications; this bid tabled pending this discussion.

ASPHALT - Motion by Voss, supported by GAmertsfelder and confirmed by Peterson, that all bids on asphalt material be accepted.

Sherman Twp. Board with Supervisor Villadsen, and Trustees Charles Goff and James Walk er, were in to get estimates on work they want done as follows: -

(1) Darr Road - 300 yards of gravel.

(2) Decker Road - 1/2 mi. west of Custer Rd. (3) Townline Rd. - 1/2 mi. east of Custer Rd.

(4) Poplar Rd., hill south of Gunn Lake, from curve on south to north end of fill.

(5) First 1/2 mi. east of Tuttle on Millerton.

Decker R_d. bet. Darr and Tuttle. Tree on Beyers Rd. (6)

(7)

Upon the recommendation of Engineer Lunde, and confirmation by Manager Abrahamson, the following motion was made by Voss and supported by Peterson, but NOT CONFIRMED by Gamertsfelder to purchase the two John Deere Earth Scrapers from the Cole Bros. Inc. for the net price of \$36,000. This is a gross price of \$54,000. less the two trade-ins of the present John Deere at \$14,000. and D-6 Caterpillar at \$4,000. These were promised on the bid as being available for immediate delivery, however Mgr. Abrahamson tried to contact the John Deere rep. in Traverse City and he was not available

for confirmation and is supposed to call in person at the office on Monday, Mar. 16th.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

Clerk

Chairman

March 20th, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present, together with Mgr. and Clerk.

Re GRADER BLADE BID, which was pending further discussion on specifications, motion is now made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss, and confirmed by Peterson that the bid of Shults Equipment Sales per Dick Patterson, be accepted at the bid price of 96¢ in lots of 50; 93.5¢ in lots of 100; prices are net; and these meet State Highway specifications.

Commission approves change in opening date on insurance bids from April 5th to April 10th, in view of the new equipment momentarily expected, so that the new listing may include the four new trucks and two earth scrapers.

John Wilson was in to request permission to ditch from our roadside ditch on the Meise heimer Road, in Section 15 of Eden Twp. to a pond on his farm, and then out again to the road.

Wm. Shoup, Branch Twp. Supervisor in to see about getting a road fixed, he is to get together with property owners as to the right of way there.

William Hasenbank, Sup. of Meade Twp. was in regarding bridge on the Schoenherr Road, Section 19 of Meade Twp. He will arrange a meeting in about two weeks between Road Commission and Forestry Service.

Motion by Gamertsfelder to adjourn, eagerly supported and carried out. The four new trucks were delivered by Howard Thiel this date, commission inspected same and had pictures taken with them showing acceptance from Thiel.

Clerk

Chairman

March 27, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present together with clerk and manager. Amber Twp. Board with Supervisor Hubbell, Clerk Carl O'Dean, Elmer Frederi and Roy Chilberg.

Leslie Modeweg in regarding his proposed plat in Hamlin; presents drawing for commissi to look at; leaves plat drawing for commission study.

Amber Bd. presents the estimates of the work they want done which have been prepared be Engr. Lunde. The three projects total an amount of \$17,200., and there is discussion on the 60 yards of gravel which were to be put on the Decker Road, at which time Victowas also going to put on 60 yards. Victory's was put in in accordance with agreement with Supervisor Pratt, but Amber never verified their consent and no agreement was drawn up, therefore this work was never done. It is now to be added as a fourth proje

Work agreement forms were prepared on the four projects, and were signed by both board at this time. The 60 yards of gravel to be applied was estimated at \$164.40, making t total of the 4 projects -\$17,364.40.

March 27th, continued -

In the afternoon the manager and board visited the Jones Pit to view the filling—in of the Joe-O'Farrell lot; reported by manager that Chairman and members are well-pleased with this job. Commission also visited job site on the Quarterline road where the two new John Deere Earth Scrapers are operating.

Meeting adjourned approximately 4:00 P.M.

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Chairman

April 3, 1964 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Peterson and Voss present; Gamertsfelabsent. (Florida) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Modeweg in regarding his plat in which he wants to retain a 30-foot width on the road which is now a public road. Engr. Lunde suggests that abandonment proceedings be carried out to clear up the matter of closing this part of the road and to allow for hearing of any grievances.

Ben Brown and Elwood Huggard were in regarding plat in Summit Twp., Birch Harbor Subdiv Gov't Lot 2; T 17 N; R 18 W., Section 36. Commission mentions two low spots which need grave, and they say they will get a performance bond in the amount of \$2,000. so that plat can be signed and then watch for developments regarding these two turn-arounds when ground gets back to normal.

In mentioning this performance bond, question comes up regarding the reneal of bond promised by the owners of the Thunder Lake Plat which the commission requested; no renewal papers have been received, however clerk checked with the Blohm agency in Fountain who issued the original bond, and they said their files showed that the renewal had been made, and clerk requested their office to send evidence of same by a new bond or duplicate, which they promised to do.

Drain Commissioner Caldwell in regarding some drainage problems; and with a special request that a road in Sheridaw Twp., Section 34, between Decker and Fisher Rd., be named Szabo Road, as a favor to Caldwell and to make a very old man happy; he would pay for the signs and the erection of same.

Commission requests a letter to be written to Max Carey, Freesoil School Supt. to have the school bus stop at the Hasenbank Bridge, on the Schoenherr Rd., and have the children walk across, until bridge is repaired or rebuilt.

James Thompson and Robert Porter of the Forestry Service in with William Hasenbank, and Charles Maue; they are to make a study on traffic on Schoenherr Rd., to see what participation Forestry Service could give. This participation to be made on twin multi-plate which cannot be programmed until July 1, 1966; study to be made within a year.

Letter addressed to Clerk-Secretary was received from the regional office of the UMWA requesting a meeting with the commission to discuss the following issues: -

1. Sick Leave raised from 30 days to 45 days.

2. Vacations: One day per year up to fifteen days.

- 3. Insurance: County to pay for all of the employee's Blue Cross-BlueShield
- 4. Holidays: Six paid holidays regardless of when holiday falls.

. Substantial increase in wages.

6. Ask for dues Check-Off. This was agreed to in the past and was carried out for quite awhile. (6 months only)

An unsigned note was attached regarding Proposal 6 - "In reference to Proposal No. 6 (Check-Off) the deputy Clerk is still being paid to take care of the dues".

This statement is UNTRUE IN TWO RESPECTS and should be dealt with accordingly when the meeting is convened. No clerk in this office is receiving pay for this dues collection, nor is there a deputy clerk/present.

Board adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

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April 10, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present together with Manager and Clerk.

Mr. Yost Present from P.M. Twp. to see about East Jagger road where his son wants to build. He is told that the East Jagger Road hdd been abandoned when county to it over and nothing was done about it. Any improvements now would have to be initiated and paid for by the township board.

Gerald Soberalski and Borge Madsen were presnt from Amber Twp. to present a petition that the Conrad Road be hard surfaced. They are told that the twp. has already programmed their work and they say that the annual meeting should have been held before this work was programmed. The names on the petition are those living on the west three miles of the Conrad Road, and 30 of these people work in town and travel this road twice a day.

Madsen says he requested that trees be cut and he was to take care of the small stuff and the commission was to take care of the big stuff. He says there are stumps on the road R.O.W.

Carlton Beckman and P. Wichtoski in regarding the Pike Pond which the Fountain Chamber of Commerce had talked about some time ago. Clerk gets file and minutes on this matter; the road was to be raised by us and dam installed by them so that water would not go against road; dam to be kept away from road. Copy of letter and drawing presented by them was made on Thermo-Fax. Chairman says put this on the agenda as it could be worked on anytime, since this is to be done on Maintenance for Sheridam Twp. Bekeman will get in touch with Mgr; project too late for this year.

Sherman Twp. Supervisor Villadsen in and the Twp. will go ahead with the projects as estimated. Agreements will be drawn up for them to sign. He will see Freesoi members this week at Board of Supervisors meeting and see about co-operation on townline Road.

Villadsen wants road commission to take clay out of Poplar Road and fix road sout of Gunn Lake. Mgr. says make a survey and whether it is practical to stockpile talay.

Chairman Peterson asks for a decision on the Caldwell request regarding a road to be named. No action to be taken on this request for naming a road in Sheridan Tw Section 34, until more information has been gathered relative to possibly other names or objections.

Gamertsfelder asks why there is no tube in Gowan's driveway on the LaSalle Road, as the water runs right down the middle of the road. Mailman asked for this info mation from him.

Geo. Towns called and may need some clay and wonders if he could buy it from road commission pit. He needs about 200 yards Mgr. thinks. To be told to see Kronlei in Victory Twp. regarding clay needs.

John Wilson wants decision on his fish-pond ditch which he asked about two meeting ago.

Sobanski, Supt. of Hamlin Twp., in regarding the breaking w up of some of their n blacktop. He says motorgrader is breaking this up; Chairman says if our men are t blame, then it should be taken care of by road commission.

William, Superivisor of Victory Twp., is in and wants work on the Quarterline Road Section 3, approx. 1/2 mi; also on the Dewey Road., Sec. 20 & 29, he wants gravel He is told the gravel will be approx. \$2.50 per yard. Estimates to be made up on the grading.

In the P.M., only one bid for insurance coverage is received, therefore a motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss, confirmed by Peterson, to accept the bid of the Michigan Mutual Liability Co. for all coverages re fleet and liability.

Fred Wertzel of the Telford Equip. Co. is in with Grad-all literature. Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:45 P.M.,

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Apr. 20, 1964 - Regular meeting held with commissioners present; also clerk and manager. Chairman signed payroll checks and vouchers were reviewed, approved and signed by the board in the amount of \$6,967.54.

Ira Knowles, Prudential Representative was present to request a meeting with the employees regarding their hospitalization plan. Notice to be put on the bulletin board to the effect that he and another rep. of the company will be here at 4:30 PM Thursday, April 23, 1964, for discussion of this plan.

Commission is informed about the matter of the stockroom being left open and lights on on Saturday April 18th. Clerk observed the lights about 8 P.M., called Vorder-Landwehr, Lund and Keson. Lund and Keson not home. Also called Mgr. to promised t take care of the matter. Lund came for Clerk's kep to building at 11 P.M. and returned same about half hour later, at which time he informed her that apparently the man who recharges the fire extinguishers had been in. Mgr. reports that Keson had let the man in and then forgot to come back up and lock things up again and tur off the lights.

Chairman says the blacktop road from Pelton Corners west for one mile, is no good per complaint of Helminiak, Grant Supervisor.

George Thiel is in to request that the ditch by his place on the Tuttle Road be cleaned out.

Robert Wing, Supt. who has been off for three months now from a heart attack, was in to discuss his situation with commissioners. Due to doctor's orders and present ba leg, he is unable to climb the stairs and commission and clerk and mgr. meet with him in downstairs office. Motion by Gamertsfelder, and supported by Voss, confirme by Peterson, that the policy for Wing at this time and for sick leave for salaried employees in the future, be three months at full pay, and then one month at half pa This application of policy would give Wing two more paydays at half pay and take hi up to the 16th of May, 1964.

Discussion on the supervision of the work when Wing returns. Decided that Ben Cool man's status will remain the same until Wing gets back and see what he can handle. Gamertsfelder brings up matter of Mathew Mazeika who is working in the shop at a rate 10ϕ less than the other mechanics who are doing work identical to what he is doing. Motion by Voss, supported by $G_{amertsfelder}$, confirmed by Peterson, that Mathew Mazeika be brought up in rate to equal of the other mechanics, effective as of April 16th, 1964.

After a discussion of the proposed items which the employees committee has requeste motion is made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss, and confirmed by Peterson, that the sick leave accumulation be raised from 30 to 45 days; and that a 10¢ per hour raise be given, providing this rate will hold for two years.

Clerk instructed to inform regional office that a meeting will be held with the employees on April 28th, 1964, at 3:30 P.M. (this is a Tuesday, which will be the commission meeting day instead of May 1st.)

Discussion regarding the absence of Clarence Everson without leave of any kind, and without reporting his intentions to return to work. Manager to contact him.

April 28, 1964 - All commissioners present, also Manager and Equipment Expense Accounting Clerk substituting for absent clerk.

Mrs. Bruce Stuart was in and wants the road south of Scottville rebuilt. Roy Soren son was in from Yeager Bridge Co.

Read copy of letter from Walhalla Chamber of Commerce, theoriginal of which had been forwarded to the State Highway Dept. requesting that they place mileage signs along highway to designate distance to Walhalla for tourist information.

Minutes of April 10th were read, with correction re request of Villadsen regarding Poplar Road.

Mgr. reports that he contacted Clarence Everson, and he said it was his heart that was causing his absence and he had told Everett Dumas. Mgr. informed Everson he should have told Ben Coolman, Acting Supt. or him, as Manager, and Everson said, "If that's the way they (commission) felt about it, to Hell with them." Commission says if that's the way he feels, Okay.

Mgr. says we can pile gravel on Don Rahn's Place, Sec. 35, T 18 N. R. 17 W., Riverto Twp. for the blacktop stockpile.

Mgr. says they would have gotten to George Thiel's place where he wants the ditch cleaned out on the Tuttle Road, but shovel broke down.

Commission was given a complete inventory operations and equipment performance report for 1963 by Edward Larsen. (copy of this is on file with Mr. Larsen) Various recommendations of the previous year were again brought out and others made, but no action was taken on any of them.

At 3:40 P.M. a meeting was held with road commission employees. Present were all commission members, manager, equipment exp. acctting clerk, employees William Gordon Claude Taylor, Harry Bedker and Leroy McNinch, autside representative.

General discussion by McNinch of industrial wages and fringe benefits and other irrelavant items. Chairman Peterson read proposals and answered same as follows:-

(1) Accumulation of sick leave raised from 30 to 45 days? (2) Vacation - one day per year up to 15 days?

(3) County to pay for all of employees premium on Blue Cross, Blue Shield. NO NO

(4) Holidays - 6 paid holidays regardless of when holiday falls? (5) Substantial increase in wages?

10¢ per hour.

(6) Dues check-off?

Commission wants this wage raise to be accepted for two years. Mgr. explains reason for 'NO' on vacation, as our fringe benefits are higher now than most counties. Claude Taylor wants to know if fringe benefits make up for less wages. McNinch suggests accepting the sick leave additional accumulation and the 10¢ per hour for this year, but do something about vacation and insurance next year. Commission not agreeable. Harry Bedker asks about new equipment policy.

Meeting with employees committee adjourned at 4:40 P.M. Motion by GamertSelder, to officially adjourn at 4:45 P.M.

May 5, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Chairman signed payroll checks and board reviewed, approved and signed vouchers for bills in the amount of \$20,320.52.

Discussion on effective date of raise given the hourly employees, which was not previously mentioned. Clerk Larsen had queried the commission as to this date, but they said it had been taken care of, whereas the only effective date previously mentioned was the raise of Mathew Mazeika a shop employee who was being raised to equal rate with other mechanics, and this was to be the 16th of April. Chairman now states that the overall raise for hourly employees is to be June 1, 1964, the anniversary date of last raise.

Discussion on the status of Clarence Everson who chose to absent himself from work, clerk asks for status declaration in view of insurance paid for employees by the commission. Motion is made by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Peterson, that the employement of Clarence Everson be considered terminated as of April 30, 1964, in view of his non-appearance for work and attitude reflected when contacted by Mgr. Abrahamson.

Mgr. reports Bert Butterfield is in regarding painting the remainder of the building a: agreed last fall. Mgr. asks about painting the old barn north of the Road Commission building.

Discussion on Victory work estimate of \$3,000. Chairman says he does not think they have that much to spend.

Discussion on the purchase of two new pickups and a used compactor since borrowing from Jackson Vibrators is not the breeze it used to be. Manager to see about price for the compactor.

Meeting adjourned to tour county, int the afternoon, commission adjourns official-Horence Stenk Julius Determinan Chairman

May 12. 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present, also manager and clerk.

Edward Budzynski in regarding road by Joe Wichtoski's place. Village of Fountain want to turn this road over to the county, wants county to maintain it and take the money # that they get for that road. It is now on the Village system, village cannot afford to maintain it. Gravel was put on there three years ago. Budzynski refers to a verbal agreement but cannot give dates, but says it is in the Village minutes. Commission says they will take a look at the road and see what the score is. Promise to do something about the hole at Geo. Smith's in swamp area. There is 10-ft of water standing there and he can't get out.

Freesbil Twp. Board is in with Supervisor Maue, Clerk Marquadt, Treas. Rybicki, Truste Jerome Rybicki and one other member. Freesoil board wants the Village of Freesoil to take over the first 1/2 mile south of the Village. They say the Village will get more money for it than road commission does.

Chairman calls Sup. Maue's attention to the unpaid balance on the Tuttle Road in the amount of \$407.26. Clerk says she would not be adverse to paying this if they had gotten the gravel they were supposed to have on the south end of the road. Clerk (Rd. Comm.) gets the statistics on this job and they show that 1000 yds. of gravel was put on during the construction and manager says more was put on as maintenance after they complained about it. After much discussion the township board makes a motion and supports it to pay this balance.

A Mr. Barton Sproule is in regarding the cutting of 15 maple trees in front of his place on the Custer Road, Section 10, at corner of Custer and Hansen Roads. He says these trees were 50 years old and he was not contacted before they were cut and not all of them were even in the R.O.W. He wants a survey made of this situation. Mgr. says they won't be able to get out there right away. (Rd. Comrs. and Mgr. do visit this lo cation in the afternoon and make some measurements)

Gamertsfelder reports that Mrs. Hazel Oldt wants a tube and is told she will have to buy it and install it since she already has one on that property.

Commission adjourns at noon to take a tour of the county. Officially adjourn upon return to garage at approximately 4:30 P.M.

Clerk Julius Teterson Chairman

May 20, 1964 - Regular meeting heldwith all commissioners present, also manager and clerk.

A Mr. Havener in to complain about the Piney Ridge Road. He said there are two danger ous spots to watch. Claims people cannot see his sign until they are past it, and they when they back up they cannot be seen by oncoming traffic around a small bluff which should have been removed when road was fixed. He says he will do this work if he is given permission. He is told to see Sargent Sand Co. about removing this knoll as they have all the rights to that property. Commission will visit this location in the P.M. (Comm. did visit this location, Mgr. sick and not present; decision still the same for Havener to see Sargent Sand Co.)

Chas. Hubbell, Sup. of Amber Twp., in with Archie Conrad, Bob Conrad and Albert Kacynski. They present two copies of a petition asking that the Conrad Road be made a Primary Road so that they can get it blacktopped. They are not encouraged in this request.

Request from clerk that one fire-proof file be purchased in order to store valuable papers safely. Motion made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss and confirmed by Peterson, that such file be purchased from Daniel Company of Muskegon, at approximately \$250.00. Clerk also authorized to get some prices on an 80-gallon water heater, preferably gas, but get prices on both gas and electric.

Chairman then reminds board that nothing has been done on an increase for salaried employees in line with the 10¢ per hour increase given hourly workers to be effective June 1, 1964. This train of thought is interrupted by the arrival of Engr. Lunde from downstairs.

Engr. tells board what he wants to do with the Branch Bridge deck, and this is okayed I the commission. He also reads to the Board the answer from the Statem Highway Dept. in regard to the local street which Village of Fountain wants the Road Commission to take over and maintain. Their answer is that this could be done (1) by contract; (2) by specifying which maint. operations the county will do for a designated sum of money. Also specify which operations will cost extra and how much. (3) \$426.00 per mil is the amount the Village gets for maint. and const. on local streets. /s/ by John A. Young.

Commission is to meet with the Rd. and Bridge Committee on Friday, May 29th, and therefore will have their own regular meeting on Thurs. May 28th, at which time the matter theincrease for salaried employees will be considered.

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May 20, 1964 - continued

Motion by Voss and supported by Gamertsfelder to adjourn at 4:30 P.M.

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Chairman

May 28, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present together with manager and clerk.

Leo Sobanski here to see what is to be done with Hamlin Twp. roads, the new blacktop which is in a very bad condition and rough. Chairman says county is responsible for the condition of the road.

Mgr. says fix Piney Ridge Road this year and watch the Jagger road for another year. Sobanski says they put gravel on that road two years before and it should have been a good road.

Minutes of May 20th are read and approved as read.

Mgr. presents estimate of extra work to be done by Bert Butterfield as follows:

Materials and Labor furnished for barn, two coats - roof - \$ 150.00

Red - one coat - barn 100.00

The big shed - roof and sides (two coats on roof and one on side) 250.00

Motion is made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss, confirmed by Peterson, to accept the bid for the above work.

Report by Chairman that there is a hole about 3/4 mi. in, east from the Jebavy Road on the Decker Road. Says blade truck hasn't been in there in three or four weeks.

Mgr. reports that Hubbell wants estimate on the Townline Road gravel.

Discussion on the personal visits Albert Kacynski of Amber Twp. has made to the homes of the individual commissioners regarding the Conrad Road and petition to have same put on Primary system. Law says that county road commission has the right from time to time to increase or decrease the primary road mileage. However, after approval by the road commission, it is then field inspected by the state and then approval either given or refused.

Barton Sproule in regarding his trees which were cut along the Custer Road. Wants to know what the measurement was and Mgr. says the official measurement has not been mad that he can't make any promises when they can get out there as construction work come first. Sproule says R.E.A. said they were there only to see that trees did not fall on the power line. Mgr. says they had four saws there and road commission had three. Commission Voss says "get someone out there to Sproules and see what his right of way is so whatever he wants to do he will know what he can do."

Mgr. says Telma of Consumers Power Co. wants to cut a big white pine up on the Benson Road. Bernie Edel is building there on the Benson Road. (this location was visited by the commission in the P.M. of this date, and verdict is that "this white pine shall NOT be cut.

George Towns complained to Comr. Voss about a tube going through from the pond to the north. Hole big enough for two truck loads of dirt and the dirt might go down in his trout pond.

Gamerts felder brought up a matter about the road from the Reeli School south to the enof the road; then go east; bet. Sec. 36 of Sherman and Sec. 1, of Custer. Puisis wan mowing done on this road.

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After a private discussion among the commissioners, a motion was made by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Peterson, that all salaried personnel be granted an increase of \$200.00 per year, effective June 1st, 1964.

Commission then adjourned about 4:30 P.M.

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June 5, 1964 - Regular meeting heldwith all commissioners present, also manager and clerk. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read with addition of report that a commission looked at the 'white pine' on the Benson Rd. was inspected a it is NOT to be cut.

Appointment and certification of Engineer as required by the state for the \$5,000. reimbursement, read to commission by clerk.

Mgr. reports that James Allen, Supt. from Alpena county was in to promote the Good Roads Federation petitions.

Agreements signed for Custer and Sherman Twp. work: -

(1) Custer, Sec. 4 and Sherman, Sec. 33: - Ditching and filling on road; \$400.00 Screened gravel 500 cu. yds. at \$2.68 on Decker Road bet. Tuttle and Custer Rds.; this is a townline road and costs are to be equally shared by each Twp.

(2) Sherman Twp., Sec. 32 and Custer, Sec. 5: - Fill dirt, salvage and replace gravel, \$225.00; 60 cu.yds. @ \$2.68 - \$385.00; on Decker Road bet. Darr and Tuttle Roads; this work cost is to be shared equally by each township.

(3) Sherman Twp, Sec. 31: - 330 cu. yds. screened gravel at \$2.68 - \$804.00; to be placed on Darr Road from Decker Road north 1/2 mile.

Discussion on the situation at the W. E. Reader property north end of Darr Road into his field. He wants a new driveway. Commission to look at this. (Commission reports on W. E. Reader problem - a USED TUBE is supposed to be placed there)

Commission requests clerk to see if reservations are still available for Blaney Resor convention on 23rd and 24th of June. (Clerk makes phone call to Blaney and is told there are a few left at Camp Nine which is 1 mile south of the resort)

At 1:30 P.M. bids were opened on pickups: - (no trade-ins)

(1) - Al Chinnery (IHC)- \$1,781.90

(2) - Thiel (G.M.C.)- 1,695.00 (#) - Urka Chev. 1,693.83 and \$1,700.38

(4) - Stemingraber (Dodge) 1,619.70 (5) - Mottl (Ford) 1,737.66

These bids will be studied and tabulated as to meeting the requested specifications and discussed at the June 12th meeting.

Call received from Mr. Brickley of State Highway Dept. during this meeting that in the matter of determination of primary and local roads, the policy of the State Hwy. Dept. is to deal with roadx commissions only, NOT with petitions.

Commission adjourned for inspection tour, did not re-convene. lenk Julius Etinson Chair

June 12, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present, also manager and clerk.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved with addition of report that a used
tube is to be placed at the driveway of W. E. Reader property inspected on June 5th
(Used tubes are available at Wadel's and Sorenson's.)

Comr. Voss reports that Contractor Klett who is hauling materials, top dirt, etc., into the airport is tearing up the Johnson Road. Comm. will visit this location and contact contractor regarding repair of this damage.

Tabulation of pickup bids studied by commission. Motion made by Voss, that two pickups be purchased from Steingraber Auto Sales, the low bidder, at the quoted price of \$1,619.70, plus \$10.00 each, for the Sweptline Style, otherwise according to the specifications as stated in the bid; this motion was supported by Gamertsfel der and confirmed by Peterson.

Mgr. mentions a demonstration of an undercoating pressure gun which was demonstrate this past week. Price of gun is \$256.00 less 15%. No action on this.

Motion made by Voss re appointment of Engineer: (see astrached formal resolution as submitted to State Highway Department.)

Gamertsfelder reports that Wm. Beard says Monton boys are making their brags that they have the Road Commissioners buffaloed on the Monton-Beard road opening project

Discussion on the long standing bills of Bruce Wadel for the culvert placed at his business location in 1959 and the gravel which he bargained for with the commission on Oct. 4, 1959, which was stockpiled at the Grove Taylor Pit, and used on the Oceana-Mason Bridge job, but never paid for by him. Bill was sent to him when this matter was brought up by Commissioner Voss, and no reply received to same up to thi time. Documents filed with the State Hwy. Dept. concerning the completion of this job stated that there were NO EXCEPTIONS to the statement that all labor and materials had been paid for by Wadel. The bonding company had also released final payment to him on same statement to them. Commission says to try and make collect this, put it in the hands of attorney, suggest the firm of Wicks and Gavigan since Prosecuting Attorney who is supposed to assist commission appears to be too busy.

Discussion on the letter from the Pentwater Chamber of Commerce regarding a scenic route on which they want the road commission to participate in placing signs, this road to be called Michigamme Trail.

Commission adjourned at noon to visit various job locations, and check on Johnson Road being damaged by contractor Klett. Mgr. reports after tour that Klett has agreed to fix this up. Commission returns and adjourns at 4:10 P.M.

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June 20, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present, also manager and clerk. Minutes of the June 12th meeting were read and approved as read with the addition of "firm of Wicks and Gavigan" rather than referring the matter to Gavigan alone.

Clerk read the letter from the State Highway Dept. to the Walhalla Chamber of Commerce regarding their request for destination signs for Walhalla. The Hwy. Dept. says such a small community could not possibly be designated as a 'hub city' and that is the only designation which would rate such signs.

Bids on the seal coating are opened: The letter from Hicks Co. was not a bid, only advising that they could not meet the completion date.

- 1. Klett bid was 3.7¢ per sq. yd. (coarse) 3.5¢ per aw. yd. (fine)
- 2. McPherson Contractor Co. 1.9¢ per sq. yd. for both coarse and fine.
- 3. Midwest Co. 3.75¢ per sq. yd. for both coarse and fine.

Only Leon TenBrock of McPherson Co. was present. He was awarded the job upon motion made by Commissioner Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Peterson, at the price of 1.9¢ per square yard. This work is to commence immediately on seven miles from Walhalla on the Benson Road to Round Lake Corner, and from Walhalla south on the Walhalla Road.

Ten Brock presented a check for \$500. for performance guarantee on this work, but it was not certified and he is to get same certified and return it to the clerk of the board. He is asked if he has insurance to cover the liability on this work and he says he has. (Certified of same was not furnished prior to the start of the work).

Commission adjourned for lunch, later returning to the office for a short time. Ed Kainz and James Simon of the Miller Equipment Co. were in after the commission had adjourned for the day.

Next meeting to be on July 3rd, with the commissioners away at the Upper Peninsula Road Commission Assoc. at Blaney Park Reosrt, the meeting for the 26th of June was omitted.

read and approved as read.

Reports are as follows: -

John McCumber wants a tube in driveway between his house and barn.

July 3, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the June 20

Ellis Hanson called regarding ditch on Kinney Road. He says 3/4 miles should be ditched.

Custer Village wants to rent a motorgrader; Chairman says only if operator is sent with it.

Mgr. asks about Claude Taylor's status and rate as he has now been on the John Deere for 45 days and should have heavy equipment operator's rate. Commission okays this raise to be effective July 1, 1964, at \$2.00 per hour.

George Towns is in; he says he cannot get through our new section on the Quarterline Road even with his car. He asks if the Road Commission will brine the County Line Road if he fixes part of it so he can get the rest of his gravel out. Towns will call when road is ready for brine.

Mr. Caspersen of Ludington Chamber of Commerce present to ask for help on the Michigamme Trail promotion. According to the strip map which they are having printed to advertise this trail, the traffic will be routed on the county primary road through the Bass Lake resort area, also on Lakeshore Road and the Iris Road.

This road through the Bass Lake resort is not designed for heavy traffic and the commission are reluctant to have this part of the trail. The promoters also want the Road Commission in the 14 counties involved to buy the signs to erect on this trail marking it as such. Commission tables this request for further study and a reply to Caspersen in a week or ten days.

Comr. Gamertsfelder reports that Leo Monton, Custer Twp. Supervisor says Twp. will be responsible for digging the ditch down through the field of Tony Pazeretskis and that this has been entered in their township board meeting minutes. Comr. Gamer tsfelder makes a motion, supported by Voss, and confirmed by Peterson, that the Custer Twp. Clerk be requested to furnish the Road Commission a copy of these minute for Rodd Commission file, before this work is undertaken to make trespass on this man's property. The agreement between Custer Twp. and the Road Commission did not contain this responsibility designation, it was only mentioned on the estimate accom panying the agreement and therefore is not a part of the agreement containing the signatures of the township board.

Edward Larsen, Equip. Expense Accounting Clerk consulted the board about advertising the spare parts on hand for machinery which has already been disposed of, and which is of no use to us but still on inventory, in the Michigan Contractor and Builder and Michigan Roads and Construction, both magazines which get a wider circulation to those who might be interested in these parts. Motion made by Voss and supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Peterson, that bids be taken for next winter's chain supply, and the disposal of these extra parts at a discount of 40 per cent from our inventory price. This amounts to about \$800. worth of parts on hand.

Commission Gamertsfelder leave meeting, and Commissioners Peterson and Voss and Mgr. adjourn to view the seal coat work recently completed by the McPherson Contractor

Co. on the Benson and Walhalla Roads Harence Alenk Julius Peterson Chairman

July 10, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Leo Monton brought in a copy of the minutes of the June 30th meeting of the Twp. Board showing their assumption of any liability in the ditching to be done across the property of Tony Pazeretskis. This copy of their minutes is in the Custer Twp. file. The Twp. copy for this work agreement will now be returned to Custer Twp. Clerk for their records with the receipt of this information.

Drain Comp. Caldwell present, regarding Don Villadsen's property in Section 17 of Sherman Twp., east side of Darr Road, there is a 5 or 600 ft. ditch, wonders if Road Commission would go in there with their equipment and clean up this ditch. The drain is 8000 ft. long and 7500 of it is on Villadsen. Commission will study this Situation.

Borge Madsen, Amber Twp. resident, wants to know when Road Comm. is going to clean u the stumps on the Conrad Road.

Motion made by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, confirmed by Peterson, that a 40-ga water heater be purchased from the Consumers Power Co. as bid to us on May 22nd, 1964 for \$104.95 installed. (After this motion, discussion was to the effect that the electric heater would not have only about half the recovery capacity of the gas htr. and therefore the 40 gal. electric heater would probably not be large enough. Also the electric heater would be installed in the men's room on the first floor and it was thought that there was not room enough for same there. Clerk therefore checked with the Gas Company to see if their price of \$133.46 for 40 gal. installed was still good. They re-confirmed this price and commission okayed the change in the place of purchase due to gas 40 gal. heater having a recovery rate of 31.9 gal. per hour and therefore was thought to be large enough for same there.

Clerk therefore checked with the Gas Company to see if their price of \$133.46 for 40 Gal. heater installed was still good. They re-confirmed this price and commission okayed the change in the place of purchase due to gas 40 gal. heater having a recovery rate of 31.9 gal. per hour and therefore was thought to be large enough for our purpos

Notice was received from Drain Comm. Caldwell, that a petition had been filed with him on the 14th day of June, 1964, asking for the consolidation of drainage district now served by the Mack and Fairbanks Drainage District, the Falconer Drainage Dist., the Tuttle Drainage Dist., the Cassie Drainage Dist. and the "W" Drainage Dist.

The Board of Determination will meet on 29th of July, 1964, at 2 P.M. at the Myrvle Miller Farm, in Section 8, of Custer, Twp. Road Commissioners are requested to be present.

Discussion on the request of the Ludington Chamber of Commerce for commission to buy signs to erect on the proposed Michigamme Trail being promoted by them. Commission sate to notify Mr. Caspersen, Secty of this organization, that the policy of the Road Commission is that the Townships have to buy the signs they desire for their road designations and the commission feels they must abide by this policy also in connection with this request, and any replacement of such signs will also be their responsibility. (Clerk notified Caspersen of this on Monday, July 13th, and he was not pleased, and asked that this decision be given to him in writing.)

Mgr. reports that he went to see Gavigan about the Wadel account, and he will look int the possibility of collection of this amount. Thinks possibility is remote. During conversation with Gavigan, Mgr. learns that Gavigan has been retained by Yaples, a property owner at Bass Lake who is trying to get Montgomery Blvd., extended to his property. Gavigan also feels that if he is to represent Road Commission in other matters, it would be better to have same a piecemeal basis rather than on a retainer fee.

Mgr. reports that two motorgraders were not operating. Englebrecht on vacation and "Bud" Riffle on sick leave due to bee sting between his eyes, therefore, nothing has been done on the road in Monton-Beard controversy.

Victory Twp. wants to widen Victory Drive at the Twp. Expense; the twp. is to do this work and pay for it, they only wanted permission from the Road Commission to do it.

Chairman asks what happened to the agreement Victory previously submitted, which did not contain the right information as to 'actual cost' to be paid, and which was re-mad and mailed to the Clerk, John Ruba, for signatures of the Twp. Board; Chairman said Supervisor Williamson had asked him what had become of it.

At 2:30 P.M. Albert Kacynski and Robert Conrad were in for an answer to their request that the Conrad Road on which they live in Amber Twp. be made a Primary Road. The commission told them that their answer was the same that they did not want to make any more roads Primary until the present ones had been brought up to adequate standards. They are advised that there are about 70 miles at present to be done to meet these make adequate standards and this will take at least from 7 to 9 years to do so. It is suggested by the commission that they try for this road improvement they want through their Twp. Board which could get the work done much sooner than to wait for the Primary System to be adequate enough to add more mileage to it from the Local System.

They want assurance that Conrad Road will be considered for this as soon as possible and in its rightful turn.

Motion was made by Comm. Voss, that NO MORE ROADS be added to the Primary System until all roads now on the system are adquate; Gamertsfelder would not support this motion, as he says three miles have already been applied for to be put onto the Primary System Chairman abstains from voting or commenting on this issue.

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Comr. Voss says he would vote for the Conrad Road before he would go for any others, including the three miles wanted by Manistee, so that their road to the Udells Skix Area can be made a Primary Road and they can build a bridge. The state refuses to allow them to make this a Primary Road unless Mason County would agree to make the extension of this road (Campbell Road in Mason County) a Primary Road.

Comr. Voss says he is in agreement with the policy of not adding any more to the primary mileage at present, but IF there is any attempt to go up into the Ski area and make a road primary there, then the Conrad Road to the Stiles Road, should come before that.

Kacynski requests that he be given their decisions in writing so that he will have an an answer for the group he is representing, since there is not a united front on this matter. Commission maintains that this is not necessary since they have ALL told him that they do not want to add to the present Primary System until same is up to adequastandards.

Kacynski and Conrad depart and commission then adjourns at 4:40 P.M.

**Losence Henk Clerk Chairman

July 20, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners, manager and clerk present. Chairman signed payroll checks and board reviewed, approved and signed bills in the amount of \$16,475.29.

Minutes of the previous meeting are read and approved as read. Mgr. says Commission is invited to visit the Oshkosh factory in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, anytime between Aug. 1st through the 5th; Lunde will not go over the week-end, dated is set as Aug. 3rd, to return on the 4th, inasmuch as payday is on the 5th. Chairman suggests that commission meet on the 29th of july and then attend the hearing on the Drainage Districts which is scheduled for that date at the Myrvle Miller farm in Sec. 8, Custer Twp.

Thunder Lake Plat Owners want commission to take a look at their plat as they have the stumps bulldozed out now. (The performance bond expired on this plat for the second time, and Blohm called to see if it should be renewed. Mgr. called Blohm and told him it should be renewed.)

Commissioner Gamertsfelder left the meeting after lunch for Dr. Bacon's office.

In the after at 1:30 P.M., the Sheridan Twp. Board came in with Supervisor Kaminski, Clerk Helegn Budzynski, Treas. Nettie Morse, Trustees Frank McQueen and Corliss Gulembo, Jr. They want work done on two roads, want estimates on Morse Road and 1/2 mile on the Dewey Road. They say they have about \$2500. for this work.

Much discussion by McQueen leading same, on the Primary Road around Round Lake which they have been promised would be blacktopped for the last 5 years. There is some difficulty withCarl Smith on getting the right width for this road. McQueen says that he is leasing some property from Smith for a road to the beach and if this Primary Road is not blacktopped all the way around, he is going to make that road to the beach all private.

Much discussion on this problem. Mrs. Morse complains on the poor job the blade truck or grader operator is doing on the Morse road near her place. Also wants to know why the Dewey Road from Morse Road west to Schoenherr Road has NOT been brined this year. Gulembo also complains on Motorgrader operator's poor performance. McQueen insists on knowing what is going to be done on that Round Lake Road. Chairman says something should be done right away as this has dragged on long enough.

Chairman leaves meeting at 3/P.M. / Meeting is officially adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

July 29, 1964 - Regular meeting held with commissioners Peterson and Gamertsfelder present Voss entered meeting at 11:00 A.M. Roy Sorenson of Yeager Bridge in for a social vi:

Motion by Gamertsfelder and supported by Voss, confirmed by Peterson that the title sheet of the plan and profile of CS B 1 53-2-23, Mason Co., Branch Twp., Walhalla Road coorsing the P.M. River, 1.3 miles south of US-10 be signed by the board.

Mgr. reports that McPherson Contractors have completed the additional seal coat work on the Stiles Road and Angling Road; totalling 5 miles.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Peterson, that the \$500. certified check furnished as a performance guarantee by McPherson Contractors be released as work is done.

Discussion on Geo. Vitucki's broken leg; he does not have much sick leave accumulated and crew inquired if they could loan him some. Since sick leave is not payable to an employee unless it is used, this could not be done. Commission do not want to set a precedent by allowing extra time, vacation giveaways or sick leave loans; they feel this should be among the co-workers and not involve the commission or the records.

Discussion on work Grant Twp. wants done. Wants 1/2 mile/on the Hoague Rd. bet. Sec. 2 and 11, in their Twp., and also a few hundred feet north on the LaSalle Road (they will pay for this work on the LaSalle Road), the other is Primary.

Commission wants to start action on Round Lake road. Supervisor Kaminski promised to call in and tell what Carl Smith's property was assessed for on the Sheridan tax roll. Has not done so as of this date.

Motion by Voss, that the firm of Wicks and Gavigan be hired to acquire the legal 66 R.O.W. on the south side of Round Lake from the north side of the Primary Road to waters edge now claimed by Carl Smith; motion is supported by Gamertsfelder and condirmed by Peterson.

Commission adjourned at noon for lunch and to proceed to the drain district consolidation hearing at the Myrvle Miller farm, in Sec. 8 of Custer Twp. Clerk Julius Peterson

August 5, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present; also mgr. and clerk.

William Backing is in regarding ditching in Section 4, Grant Twp. and also on Beyers Road, I/2 mi. east of US-31; board to take a look at the situation of plugged tube, re-location, clean-out, etc.

Chairman reports *Ludington Speaks* report of Meisenheimer road badly needs some smoothing up.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss and confirmed by Peterson that clerk notify Henry Marek that unless the balance due on his salvage account be received within 10 days, the account will be turned over to the Prosecuting Attorney for collection.

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Mgr. reports talk with Gavigan on Round Lake matter and Gavigan says Carl Smith has retained him as his lawyer.

Mgr. KXXXXX says if a demurrage bill is received from Great Lakes Asphalt Co. it is to be sent to Leon TenBrock, of the McPherson Contractors, as their truck broke down and his equipment and ours were kept waiting also.

Mgr. reports that he attended a S.H.D. meeting at Cadillac on Tues. and while in Cadillac visited the Gov*t. surplus store and they have two GM-671 Diesel Motors which he thinks we could use in Buckley*s motorgrader. Shop Foreman and Supt. Wing are over at Cadillac looking these over this date. (had been sold prior to this visit

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss, confirmed by Peterson, to remease the performance bond on the Thunder Lake plat.

Commission asks clerk to check with Attorney John Claire and see if he will represent the Road Commission in The Round Lake matter. Mr. Claire via telephone tells clerk he will be glad to do so as the parties involved are in no conflict with his present commitments. Therefore, motion is made by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Peterson, to rescind the motion of July 29, 1964, for the hiring of Wicks and Gavigan for this Round Lake matter, since Carl Smith, the owner of the property in dispute has already retained Gavigan as his permanent representative.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Peterson to employ John Claire to represent the Road Commission in the matter of acquiring the legal R.O.W. to the Carl Smith property at Round Lake necessary for the improvements of that Primary Road.

Adourned for lunch, did not reconvene.

Clerk

August 14, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners, manager and clerk, present.

Raiph Reeds, Scottville Postmaster present regarding a situation at Crystal Lake involving the delivery of mail to certain parties therein beyond the county road. Mailman and snow-plow trucks must have turn-around. This is platted land and at present involves a private road. Commission will look this stuation over.

Bids on chains opened at 10:00 A.M.

1. Brody Bros., Ludington, total bid \$2,212.50

2. Reliable Dist. Co., 1,871.02

3. Hyde Equip. Sales, Petoskey - 2,390.00

4. Northern Culvert, Cadillac 2,015.08

5. Reedsburg Hardware, Wisconsin 2,101.90

Edward Larsen, Equip. Accitg. clerk, presents statistics on several trucks in which rebuilt motors had been installed. The record on these rebuilt motors is NOT good and it had been discussed that to prove the point a new motor should be purchased and installed so that a true comparison could be had. However, the last motor from T. D. Smith in June 1964 was a rebuilt, with all parties disclaiming ordering same.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss, confirmed by Peterson, that John Claire be retained to reply to summons regarding complaint of Barton Sproule for unanthorized cutting of trees on his Custer Twp. Property in May 1964, for which he is demanding compensation in the amount of \$5,000. Reply must be made in 20 days. Copy of this complaint was received by Rd. Com. Clerk on **August 10, 1964, from Sheriff Anderson.

Since Sheriff Anderson was first in the office the previous Friday, August 7, it is assumed that hehad served the original summons on the County Clerk Jerome Jorises as of that date.

Chas. Stewart, Sup. of Summit Twp. wants something done about signs on hill near Kistler's Corners where accident took place the past week.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Peterson to advertise for bids for two Hopper Type Sånders; bids to be opened 11:00 A.M. on Sept. 4, 1964.

Motion by Gamertseelder and supported by Voss, confirmed by Peterson to advertise for six months gasoline and fuel oil supply and winter's requirements of coat; bids to be opened at 11:00 A.M. September 18, 1964.

Commission went to look at a demonstration of Fox Sander before lunch, reconvened and then adjourned about 3:30 P.M. to look at Crystal Lake situation.

Mention was made of probable hiring of another truck driver. Chairman Peterson requests Mgr. to consider Earl Spalding, a former mechanic at the W. E. Reader Co., now out of business. Mgr. says Lyle Taylor, (a former employee from July 9, 1956 thru! March 13, 1959, and took the last week of this employment to go to Veterans Administration Hospital in Ann Arbor for check-up, and was paid 6 days sick leave for this time, was very irate when laid off because sick leave accumulation was not usable or paid to him,) now wants to be re-employed.

Mgr. brings up matter of Glenn Ferris wanting to buy the 1/2 yd. Model RL Page (perforated) bucket which is in the yard. Suggests a price of \$60.00. Commission went to the yard to look at this bucket, found it rusty with a tree growing up thruit and decided to take the offered price.

Did not reconvene after trip to Crystal Lake, time of final adjournment not known.

Clerk

Chairman

August 20, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Mgr. on vacation, clerk present, also Engr. Lunde.

Harold Petersen, of the Reliable Dist. Co. low bidder on the chain bids, was present to assure the commission of the quality of the chains offered. They are weel chains made by the American Chain Co. Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voxx and confirmed by Peterson, that the bid of the Reliable Dist. Co. at \$1,871.01 for winters requirements of chains be accepted. This bid was the low bid of 5, being \$518.99 under the high bid of the Hyde Equipment Co. at \$2,390.00.

Victory Twp. Board in with Williamson, Supervisor, Duane Sterley and Robert Anderson present. They asked if the agreement for the Quarterline Road in Sec. 3, (grading) and culvert replacement on the Beyers Road, had been sent in by the clerk since the revised form had been signed, and they were told it was not in as of that date.

Discussion on work they want done on the east side of the Victory townhall; this ditch needs some fill dirt but not a tube, she want it to slope from the road and not to be filled clear full. Since this is filling up a dangerous ditch on a county road, this work will be considered a maintenance item when done.

Chairman reports William Beard was up to see him at his home. Wants an answer on removing the fence from the Benedict Road. Commission instructs clerk to send following letter to Mrs. Paul Monton and Sons, Route I, Pertwater, Michigan.

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"Dear Mrs. Monton: - In a letter dated Jan. 21, 1964, you were notified as follows: "that the fence be removed from the right-of-way on the Benedict Road, which lies on the North and South 1/4-line in Section 31, Summit Twp., from Marrison Road south 0.17 miles BEFORE March 1, 1964.

To this date this has NOT been done. Therefore, you are notified this date, that the Board of Mason County Road Commissioners expect this fence to be torn down so that grading of this road can commence on August 27th, 1964. (this communication was signed by the three board members and was sent certified mail with return receipt requested)

Payroll checks were signed by the chairman and vouchers for bills in the amount of \$47,697.49 were reviewed, approved and signed by the board. The check for the advance money for F.A.S. project in the amount of \$37,500.00 was included in this amount.

Engr. Lunde is present and tells commission Globe Construction who got the low bid on the blacktopping work in Mason County would start this work on 9/21/64.

Discussion on the work for Grant Twp. which Supervisor Helminiak wants done, black-topping on the Hoague Road and around the corner on the LaSalla Road. Engr. Lunde says this needs some raising up and that it has not been programmed so far.

He asks commission approval of getting new beams for the Sauble River Bridge in Gam's Grant Twp. Wants to put in new structure work and salvage old brook beams for other county work.

Motion by Voss, supported by G4mertsfelder, confirmed by Peterson, to authorize repairs on the Quarterline Bridge in Grant Twp. over Sauble River as outlined by Engr.

Engr. Lunde to check with Lake County ro see if heavy trucks can be detoured thru! Lake County around the Walhalla Bridge.

Some discussion with Harold Peterson on situation at Crystal Lake where Postmaster had requested that a turnaround be made for mail carrier and our trucks. This involved property owned by MacIntyre and Peterson volunteered to talk to him about this situation.

Commission were shown numerous slides in the P.M. by Engr. Lunde. These were of road equipment and various stages of road work. Commission adjourned about 4 P.M.

Clerk

Chairman

Aug. 28, 1964 - Regular meeting held with Comrs. Peterson, Gamertsfelder and Voss present; also, manager and clerk. Minutes of the mtgs of Aug. 5th, 14th and 20th read and approved as read.

Clerk gave outline of calls and business coming through her office the current week. These were reviewed by Chairman to the displeasure of Manager.

Extensive discussion on the Monton-Beard controversy. Monton says he will not take fence down. Pros. Attorney says he would be liable for his own cattle; Pros. Attorney tells Voss that if it is a county road we have the right to know keep it open cattle or not. Mgr. says Pros. Attorney only THINKS we would be safe in doing this work. Voss suggests that Mgr. take enough men to move this fence in short order and complete the job in one operation. Mgr. to do this work as soon as possible; no motion is thought necessary; Comr. Gamertsfelder says it should be within two weeks.

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Re Modeweg plat, Mgr. says we have to have a description of this road before abandonment proceedings can be started.

Discussion on the desire to buy two diesel powered trucks; specs. to be written by Engr., and adv. placed; no motion on this.

Chairman Peterson asks how he shall advise Sup. of Victory Twp. on the Townhall ditcl job, and it is agreed to do this on maintenance as it would be filling a dangerous ditch on a county road; to be done when other work in that direction is started.

Adjourned about 3:00 P.M. to look at new seal-coating being done by county forces.

Clerk

Sept. 4, 1964 - Regular meeting held with Comrs. Peterson, Chrm., Gamertsfelder and Voss present; also manager and clerk. Payroll checks were signed by the Chairman and bill: in the amount of \$6,372.30 were reviewed, approved and signed by the board.

Bids on sand spreaders were opened and read as follows: —

(Equip. Expense Accounting Clerk attended the reading of these bids and took record or same)

(Chain Drive Sanders)

1. Earle Equipment - Hwy Equip. Model *H* - \$2,172.00

2. Michigan Tractor - Swenson-Model EVS 1,850.00 -2% 10 days

3. Contractors Michry - Burch Model SMI 2,257.50
4. Telford Equip - Weston 2,489.50 (see left margin for other 5. Northern Contractors - Anderson FM 2,194.80 1,886.00 - 1% 10 days

Letters from Wickens and Gavigan re Wadel property on Mackinac Island and liens there read by Mgr. to Commission; also, letter from John Claire re Barton Sproule claim against road commission for cutting of the trees on his property in Custer Twp.

After lunch commission and Mgr. visited the Chilberg Subdiv. in Amber Twp. and returne to the office to sign plat. There should be two loads of gravel put on the Chilberg Rein this subdivision.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss and confirmed by Peterson, that Chilberg Subdivision, being a part of Gov[†]t lot 4 of Sec. 2, T I8 N, R I7 W, and a part of Gov[†]t lot 6 of Sec. 3, T I8 N, R I7 W, in Amber T_Wp., State of Michigan, be signed.

Mgr. reports he consulted Pros. Attorney re Rd. Comm. responsibility under workman's compensation re re-hiring of Lyle Taylor. Pros. Attorney says send him for physical and have special X-rays taken of the spine because as soon as he was employed by the Mason County Road Commission he would be under Workman's Compensation.

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

Morence Attent Clerk Julius Telesson Chairman

Sept. 9, 1964 - Regular meeting held at county road garage on this date; all commissioners, Peterson, Gamertsfelder, and Voss present. Also present, William Beard, Mrs. Paul Monton, Art Monton, ward Abrahamson, Mgr. and Edw. Larsen, acting Secretary.

Comr. Gamertseelder explained the agreement made by Road Commission, Mr. Beard and Mrs.Paul Monton, before Paul Monton went to the hospital. LaVerne Monton, son of Mrs. Monton came in, as a spectator.

The following agreement was typed by clerk, and signed by the members of the Board of Road Commissioners and William Beard and Mrs. Paul Monton; the original was retained by the road commission and a copy given to each of the other parties.

"To Whom It May Concern" — The Mason County Road Commission will build ditch with sloping banks for one-fourth (I/4) mile on property line between Beard and Monton's. Montons to take down and put up fence. Driveway to be put into Beard's field by County. Fence to be down next week." (signed as stated above)

Supervisor John Helminiak, Jr., and William Backing, representing Grant Twp. came before the board. Mr. Helminiak asked the question of why some of the work that used to get done along the roads, now does not seem to be getting done. Complained about blacktop on FreesoilRoad and washout on Trem! Road. He said his contract for work was signed on April 12, 1964, to have road graded, nothing done yet. Grass not cut a some Primary roads and now some cutting doen on Secondary roads. Says county line road needs sealing — patch upon patch. Kozelski Road growing back up to brush and needs blading. Hoague Road — why not blacktopping finished this year?"

Mgr. says this is not programmed to be done this year because of prior committments. Chairman Peterson says if FreesoilRoad does not hold up, county will take care of it, not this fall, as there is too much work to finish up.

Motion by Gamertsfelder to adjourn/.

(notes taken and transcribed by Edw. Larsen)

recorded here by Clerk

Chairman

Sept. 18, 1964 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Gamertsfelder and Voss present. Chairman Peterson absent because of illness; Gamertsfelder is Vice-Chairman. Signed payroll checks, and two commissioners reviewed, approved and signed vouchers in the amount of \$31,228.83, which included the payment for Mason Co. share of Walhalla Bridge project in the amount of \$22,350.00.

Ed Kainz and John Hawkins, Miller Equipment Co. representatives, were present to show slides of the Siccard-Brantford Rotary Materials Spreader.

and stoker coal

Bids on gasoline and diesel fuel/were opened and read: — Five bids on gasoline were received as follows: — Standard Oil — 11.2ϕ per gal. terms 1% — 30 days.

Four bids were received on diesel fuel: -

Standard Oil – $10.73\phi - 1\% - 30$ days (Premier dual purpose) Leonard Ref. 11.56 $\phi - \%$ (No. 1)

Sinclair Ref. 11.0¢ - Net (No. 1) 10.5¢ - Net (No. 2)

Blarney Castle – II.2¢ – Net (No. 1) 11.1¢ – Net (No. 2)

Two bids received on coal: -

L. A. Hawley Coal - \$13.15 per ton

Beyer & Thompson - 13.00 per ton (10% fines)

12.65 per ton (20% fines)

Manager is to study these bids relative to the value of more or less fines, since this specification was not mentioned in the advertisement for bids.

Bids were then opens on diesel powered trucks: - as follows:

	(2 trucks)	On 35,000 GVW CI/	On 44,000 BVW 0
International -		\$22,543.62	\$24,506.80
Ford -Grand Traverse		24,277.70	25,328.10
White-Reo (Dermody)		23,751.00	27,744.50
Dodge (Steingraber)		23,937.42	no bid
Duplex		22,410.00	22,020.00

Bids on trucks were tabled for study and tabulation.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, authorizing Vice Chairman Gamertsfelder to sign the Application for Permit to erect a wood pole electric line on the Sherman F in Sec. II, P.M Twp. Mason County, as requested by the Gonsumers Power Co.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder that the Plat of Akesson Resort, a part of Gov't. Lot 7 in Sec. 2, T 19 N, R 18 W., Hamlin Twp., Mason County, State of Michigan which was signed by the commission on November 1, 1963 and which is now re-submitted to the Road Commissioners to be re-examined and re-approved as of September 18, 1964.

After a study of the sander bids opened on Sept. 4th, 1964, motion was made by Voss and supported by Gamertsfelder that commission purchase One - Model 9SH Fox Sand Spreader at the quoted price of \$2,302.67 complete; and One - Siccard-Brantford Rotary Material Spreader at the price of \$2,191.00 plus the cover screen at \$285.00, and less the 5% cash discount; which would be a net price of \$2,352.20; the Siccard is to be given a 30-day trial and the discount is to be applicable for this same period.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder that Standard Oil be awarded the low bid or gasoline at price of $11/2\phi$ per gal, with 1% -30 day terms; and also for their Premier Manufactured Dual Purpose Fuel at price of 10.73ϕ per gallon with 1% - 30 day terms.

Commissioners will not meet on Sept. 25th as that is a non-work day for Harvest Festival, next meeting will been September 29th, 1964.

Letters from Claire regarding Carl Smith property at Round Lake and from Gavigan re Wadel property on Mackinac Island are read to commission by Mgr. Claire will be up some day to explain the former letter mentioned re Carl Smith property. The letter re Wadel property says that same is not worth much and seems like a lost cause as far as his debt to road commission is concerned.

Road commissioners made unanimous motion to adjourn at 3,58 P.M.

Clerk

Sept. 29, 1964 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Gamertsfelder and Voss present; Chairman Peterson absent (in hospital). Comr. Gamertsfelder as Vice Chairman conducts meeting.

Present at this meeting was Coroner Robert Borer, to review his report on the accident of August 13th, 1964, at which time employee, Chester Wanamaker, was killed.

He reviewed his written report mentioning the fact that tracks looked as tho the truc went off the road at an angle, but tracks are too wide and show that it was not at a true angle to the tread, therefore it is his opinion that he lost control and that the truck was sliding. It was 244 ft. from where he lef the road to the point where truck tipped over.

He reports information from various unnamed sources that this lane on thepavement is often greasy and slippery when wet as it was the morning of the 13th. Mentions that the tires on this truck were not the best for road use, as they are primarily a sand tire; the autopsy could not establish that he was unconscious at the time of the accident. He reports two men who were among the first at the scene of the accident say they heard a horn blowing and heard the crash; one could not say whether this soun was before or after the crash; also says these trucks are going by on this road at 50 to 55 miles per hour. Farmers report these trucks are going by 'lickety split'. Reports two phone calls from women, one anonymous and one sworn to secrecy after he recognized her voice, claim trucks wereon the road altho' they were not in a safe condition. One report says truck had no brakes and employee was told to go out anyway. One report from a man stating that it is 'just a chain gang up there'.

States Geo. Meade an independent mechanic looked the truck over and said it looked okay. The left track well-defined, right track not discernible for 10 feet south of driveway; 20 ft. show both tracks. Pavement was wet when coroner was there. North of Dick Patterson's there is a slippery spot that several farmers have reported people have had trouble with:

He recommends and suggests the following: -

- 1. Recommends the installation of seat belts, as he thinks Wanamaker was thrown out of the truck.
- 2. Inquiries about work schedule and how it is et up. Boner says he has been informe that they are expected to make a certain number of trips per day on a gravel haul Says Mrs. Wanamaker told of her husband coming home and reporting a very bad day as he had only made four trips whereas he should have made five.

3. Suggests that they vary their route in order to avoid montony and inattention.

4. Again mentions tires. Says truck tire marks would be about 7° wide, whereas the n marks were actually 11° wide, therefore it is assumed it must have been skidding. Ditch was muddy in the bottom. Says there is extra bounce to these tires.

Coroner Boner than leaves, as Commission and Mgr. have an appointment at II:00 A.M. with William Beard regarding the ditch recently dug along the Benedict Rd. in Summit Twp. over which a controversy has been in progress between Monton and Beard.

Commission did not reconvene in the office but continued on inspection tour of new construction and new blacktop.

Clerk

Oct. 5, 1964 - Regular meeting held with Comrs. Gamertsfelder and Voss present; Chairman still in hospital. Minutes of September 9th, 18th and 29th are aread and approved as read.

Coal bids were again considered, and manager reports that Beyer could not meet Hawley's price on Regular Coat on which bids were requested.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder to accept the bid of L. A. Hawley Co. at a price of \$13.15 per ton on regular coal.

Pahroll checks were signed by Vice Chairman Gamertsfelder; vouchers were reviewed, approved and signed by the board. Inquiry from Stokely Van Camp relative to buying a snow plow; they are told that any thing for sale would be sold at auction.

Board did not reconvene after lunch.

Clerk

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Oct. 8, 1964 - Comrs. Voss and Gamertsfelder, together with Engineer Lunde are in Lansing this date; Engr. attends Equipment Rental committee meeting, and later they inspect heavy trucks at International, Duplex and Reo plants.

October 9, 1964 - R gular meeting did not convene until 2 P.M. this date with Comrs. Gamerts-felder and Voss present, together with Engr., Mgr. and Clerk.

Motion by Comr. Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, that as per bids taken on Sept. 181 the Duplex Taucks be purchased at the price of \$22,020. for the two units, Model LC-600, WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES (I) Re engine – change the HR 6 B to an HRF 6 B at no additional cost; (") Change in CA dimension – from 102 inches to 84" CA with a wheel base of 156" at no additional cost; (3) Change the transmission from the Fuller 5CW65 to Fuller Model 5 H 74 at a cost of \$125.00 per truck; a net increase in the bid of \$250.00; making a total cost of the two units, delivered, \$22,270.00.

It is the understanding of the Mason County Road Commission that these two truck-tractors, when delivered to them in Scottville, will be ready for use and highway operation; one of these is to be equipped with a 36" Holland Fifth wheel or equal; and the other with a manual 23" slide 36" wheel, Holland or equal, with Hydraulic wet lines for trailer.

Ready for highway operations is defined as including all necessary tractor—trailer protection systems as called for in the original bidding specifications.

The top road speed on this truck shall be 55 miles per hour which would apparently require a rear axle with a ratio of 4.41 - 5.91. Duplex Co. is requested to acknowledge the bid acceptance with the changes as shown and advise the earliest delivery date possible.

Motion made by Comr. Voss and supported by GAmertsfelder that the plat of the Cormany Subdivision #2, being a part of Gov't Lot I, NE Quarter in Section 17, T 19 N, R 15 V Sheridan Twp, Mason County, State of Michigan, be signed as of this date. The county road is already in this plat, and no further roads to be built.

Letter from Bernard Dillon, Safety Engr. of the Michigan Mutual Liab. Co., suggesting that seat belts be installed in all automotive equipment was read by Comrs. Voss and Gamertsfelder and Mgr. Abrahamson.

Meeting terminated approximately 3:00 P.M., commissioners proceed to Riverton Twp.

and then return to adjourn at 4:35 P.M.

Clerk

October 16, 1964 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Gamertsfelder and Voss present, also Mgr. and Clerk.

Ted and Stanley Oleniczak were present at this meeting to ask about a permit to lay a gas-pipline in Section IO, Victory Twp., under the Stiles Road. They arem advised of the amount of insurance necessary and other conditions re depth of line, amount of pressure, etc. (reference Long and Wetzel contract).

Charles Stewart called to say that the Road and Bridge Committee want to meet for one day with the commission on November 6th.

Mgr. reports that two new hitches for the new Duplex trucks are necessary, and commission says for Mgr. to order these so that they can be put on before trucks are delivered.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, that two I-Way plows be advertised for in one of the trade magazines. These are to be designated as Ross plows.

Voss reports that church on Morton Road wants signs to slow down traffic. Also that on the STiles Route, south of Riverton store, on the east side of the road there is a big hole.

October 16, 1964 - continued

Discussion on the blacktop work to be done on Sixth S_t. Laman Asphalt Paying Co. has asked for a chance to bid on this work. Mgr. telep**bon**es him to advise him regarding conditions of this work. He says he will bring up a bid by 1 P.M,

Laman's Bid reads: - Re - Bituminous Paving of Sixth Street - 4.09 Mix "Our quotation for Bituminous 4.09 Mix M.S.H.S. is \$4.86 (per ton) This will include 20 B material X.C.5A Laying and Rolling" signed - C. G. Laman

Globe Construction Co, Inc., bid reads:- "Location - 6th St. from US-31 westerly in Masor County. - "We will mix and lay your 4.09 Bit. Agg. Mix 800 tons, plus or minus, for \$3.50 per ton. The County will furnish the 20-8 aggregate and haul the mix. We will furnish the SC 5A. Any priming and bond coat needed will be furnsihed and applied by the County." - signed - E. B. Harmon - Supt.

Motion made by Voss and supported by Gamertsfelder that the bid of the Globe Construction Co. be accepted for the asphalt paving on Sixth Street.

Motion to adjourn made by Gamert/sfelder at 4:45 P.M., carried and accomplished.

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VICE-Chairman

Oct. 20, 1964 - Commissioners Gamertsfelder and Voss, Mgr. and Clerk present at this meeting. Payroll checks were signed by Vice Chairman Gamertsfelder, vouchers and bills in the amount of \$2,991.48 were reviewed, approved and signed.

Minutes of the Oct. 18th meeting were read and approved as read. Edward Larsen talked to the commission regarding **x report received from the Standard Oil Co.

After lunch, commssion returned to the office and made the following motion, — Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder that the following arrangement be accepted from the Globe Construction Co.—; — ** The Globe Constr. Co. will mix and lay cold patch maxe mix for \$2.10 per ton, A.C.—20—B and haul to be furnished by the Mason County Road Commission. Ann Arbor Construction Co. will mix and Globe Constr. Co. will lay approx. 100 tons (plus or minue) on Morton Road from Chauvez road south; the balance of the A.C. to be run as patching by Ann Arbor Construction Co. for \$1.50 per ton, A.C.—20 B and haul to be furnished by the Mason County Road Commission. ——/s/ by E. B. Harmon, Supt. Globe Constr. Co.

Adjourned:

Clerk

Vice-Chairman

Oct. 27, 1964 - Regular meeting of the commissioners was held this date with Chairman Peterso Commissioners Gamertsfelder and Voss present. Minutes of the Oct. 20th meeting were read and approved as read.

Discussion on closing off road north of Ely's Mart, now the Traverse Bay Woolen Co., this is the Meyers Road. Airport Committee wants commission to meet with them regard ing the closing of that road. They want to extend the East and West run-way as there not enough room for a north-and south landing of commercial plans.

Mr. Striker in regarding his plat in Sheridan Twp. on Little Bass Lake. This is called Raypaul Subdivision in Section 23, Gov't Lots I and 2. He.only has a preliminary drawing. He wants to meet with Engr. Lunde regarding the survey of this subdivision.

Ted Cenizak who wants permission to cross the Stiles Road with a gasa pipeline, in again with Bob Smith of Smith and Eddy Agency.

Octo. 27, 1964 - continued.

Olenizak had been asked to have the same amount of insurance as Long and Wetzel, but Smith advises Olenizak and commission that he thinks that much is not necessary due to the difference in the length of the pipeline involved and the amount of property it would cross. Olenizak is to have contract made up by lawyer and decide about amount of xx insurance he would be carrying. He must bury line 36" below the ditch line.

Mgr. advises commission of the park survey request as to any county parks under our jurisdiction or any that we intend to have. The answer is none and Park Survey Commission to be advised accordingly by return of the forms.

Commission inspected progress/of Walhalla Bridge. Chairman Peterson adjourned at 3:00 P.M. and other two comm/ssioners adjourned about 4:45 PM.

Nov. 5, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioner's present, also mgr. and clerk. Payroll checks are signed by Chairman Peterson and bills in the amount of \$13,030.60 are reviewed, approved and signed by the board.

> Mr. Harold Williamson, supervisor of Victory Twp. was in regarding the work being don on the Quarterline Rd. in Victory Twp.

> Agreement does not call for any new gravel on this job; first estimate prepared by engineer contained 400 yards, but Victory Twp. said estimate was too much and cut of the gravel before agreement was signed. They now think they should have gravel if grade is to be done this fall. They do not want to be paying for the clearing and grubbing on the south end of the Quarterline Rd. as they feel this was to express benefit of Rd. Commission for snow-plowing and fill dirt.

Regarding the notation from Engr. regarding naming of a road in P.M. Twp. off the Iris Rd. this is up to the Plat owners to name the roads.

Thairman Peterson adjourned at noon and Comrs. Gamertsfelder and Voss toured road jobs with the Mgr.

Chairman

Nov. 6, 1964 - Commissioners Gamertsfelder and Voss and Mgr. make tour of County with Road and Bridge Committee. No special comments or complaints, says Mgr.

Nov. 13, 1964 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Voss and Gamertsfelder present, also manager and clerk.

Don Hullinger present to ask for tiling between the two driveways at the Nordhouse School, Hamlin Dist., No. 2. He wants Road Commission to furnish the tile and School will do the work of covering it up. Commission to look at this situation. (later rpt that this will not be considered)

Letter received from County Road Assoc. announcing the appointment of Earl Rogers of Huron County as the new Engineer-Director replacing John Barr.

Nov. 13, 1964 - continued

Mgr. has Snow Money report for amounts to be recid on 1963 snow measurement. Mason Co. will receive \$12,730.09, whereas Manistee is getting \$19,713.47 and Oceana County, \$28,619.72. Talk of getting snow gauge to check correct amounts reports for Mason Co.

Riverton Twp. Board wants to do the work on the Blundell Road. They are to furnish Road Commission with minutes of their meeting authorizing this addition to the present project on the Anthony Rd.

Jim Chase bought the Geo. Thiel farm, all excepting the house and ground it is on, and he now wants a culvert on his part of the farm. What he is calling his driveway is a county road on Cuter Twp. certification but it is not shown on the county map. Commissio to look at this in P.M. (Mgr. reports that commissioners think Jim Chase should have a culvert as requested.)

Adjourn for lunch and tour of inspection.

Nov. 20, 1964 - Road commission meeting at garage in Scottville, convened at 10:10 A.M. with Vice Chairman Gamertsfelder, Commr. Arthur Voss, Mgr. Abrahamson and Acting Secty Edward Larsen present. Clerk on vacation.

John Claire, attorney for commission, was present to discuss the r.o.w. problem on a portion of the road on the south side of Round Lake in Sheridan Twp. There are three owners of the land on the north side, or lakeside of the existing road, and each has a bonafide title to the land. Carl Smith is thelargest owner with Glen Powell and Bertha Jen- | kins owning lesser amounts. After much discussion, it was decided that Claire look d up the names of the owners of the lots on the south side of the road, and let the manager know the first part of next week. The manager would then set up a meeting for hi with Florian Kaminski, the Sheridan Twp. Supervisor, to discuss the matter.

Minutes of Nov. 5th and 13th were read and approved. The minutes of the Nov. 6th meeting and tour of Supervisor's Road and Bridge Committee and Comrs. have not as yet been writte up by the Manager.

Percy Gordon of Amber Twp. was in about getting the culvert cleaned out which goes under the road in the Gordon Subdivision at Mackert Lake. He says the water is backing up on his low ground and killing out trees as well as making a swamp hole. The Mgr. said afte Mr. Gordon was in the last time, he had gone and looked, but evidently had looked at the wrong culvert. He was instructed to go and look again, to see what can be done.

The financial report as of Nov. 18th was read. Payroll checked were signed by the Vice Chairman and vouchers for bills in the amount of \$426.61 were approved and signed.

Letter and copy of resolution from Harry Euxford, Chairman of the Mason County Airport Committee of the Board of Supervisors was given to the Acting Secretary for filing.

Adjourned.

Clerk

transcribed by Edw. Larsen.

Dec. 4, 1964 - Regular meeting held at the Rd. Commission office in Scottville, Present were Vice Chairman, Lz Gamertsfelder and Comr. A thur Voss, Mgr. Ward Abrahamson and Acting Secretary Edward Larsen. Minutes of the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Computation of the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Computation of the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Computation of the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Computation of the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and approximately the Nov. 20th, 1964 meeting were read and 20th approximately the Nov. 20th

Motion by Voss and seconded by Gamertsfelder that the contract with the State Highway Department, for the period from Jan. 1 thru December 31, 1965, be accepted and signed.

Also that a copy of a letter from Road Commission to insurance carrier requesting a copy of our liability coverage be sent to the State Highway Dept. to be forwarded witl contract. This motion carried.

Ed Kainz of Miller Equipment Co. came in, also Dick Patterson of Schults Equip. Co. At II:00 A.M., Gamertsfelder opened snow-plow bids and manager read them.

Yeager Bridge and Culvert Co. - FOB Scottville Model OW-700 - \$590.00 ex Model OW-800 - 780.00 ex

Schults - Root Model 541-X - \$700.00 ea.; Model 551-X - \$875.00

Contractors - Ross Model R-23 - 2 units - \$1610.

Adjourned for lunch. Dick Patterson again present in the afternoon session.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, that Edward Larsen be Acting Clerk in the absence of Clerk, Mrs. Florence Klenk. Motion carried.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, to authorize Manager to sign tree trimming permit for Consumers Power Co. Motion carried.

Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder, that second of Duplex truck-tractors now on order come equipped with sliding fifth wheel. Motion carried. This means both of the new Duplexes will have sliding fifth wheels.

Motion by Voss, seconded by Gamertsfelder, — "Bids were asked for on two Ross plows and we accept the bid of Contractors Machinery Co. for two (2) Burch Model WR 24 H (Ross) Plows. Motion carried.

Adjourned:

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- Chairman

Dec. II, 1964 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Peterson, Gamertsfelder and Voss present; also mgr. and clerk. Bills in the amount of \$9,784.52 were reviewed and approved by the commission. Minutes of the Dec. 4th meeting were read and approved as read.

Motion made by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Peterson to sign the blanket tree trimming permit for the year 1965 for the Michigan Bell Telephone Co.

Edward Larsen, Equip. and Inventory Clerk, in to see the commission about centralization of authority regarding purchases, in absence of Manager who is supposed to sign all private sales and also authorize junk sales. McLouth from Shelby has been taking junk at \$10.00 per ton when others were not interested in having to store it at this price; however, junk iron is now \$20.00 per ton and Brody was allowed to buy a considerable quantity as well as batteries without giving McLouth a chance on it.

This discussion was interrupted by the arrival of Robert Amsterburg and Dwight Spuller re Lundberg drain situation in Riv. Twp. They want Road Commission to participate in this cost but do not have any facts and fitures to present to substantiate their request. They will meet with commission at a later date.

Discussion on buying of supplies resumed, however commission tabled this matter until the 18th of Dec. meeting in order to finish signing the vouchers as Comr. Gamertsfeld had to leave at noon to attend a funeral.

Motion by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss and confirmed by Peterson, to authorize Mgr to purchase hams for employees Christmas. These are to be 6-3/4 lb. hams of Armour's Star Brand at \$4.75 each.

Mgr. says Jim Rhinebolt would like permission to cut pulpwood off the Amber Pit, at the going price of \$2.00 per cord.

Mgr. and Comrs. inspected the Wahhalla Bridge after lunch and did not reconvene in office. Adjourned at approx 4 PaM.

Clerk Shaxxman

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Dec. 18, 1964 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present, Peterson, Voss and Gamert: felder, also Mgr. and Clerk. The newly appointed commissioner John Biegalle was also present at this meeting as an observer.

Payroll checks were signed by the Chairman and vouchers in the amount of \$971.60 were reviewed, approved and signed by the commissioners.

Minutes of the Dec. Iith meeting were read and approved as read with the addition of the motion regarding the request of James Rhinebolt to cut bolts in the Amber Pit. Motion by Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder and confirmed by Peterson, that Rhinebolt t allowed to cut the bolts as requested at the going KR price of \$2.00 per cord.

Chairman Peterson, then summoned the Equip. Accounting Clerk, Edw. Larsen to the meeti to continue the discussion regarding the purchasing of material and parts.

Motion made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss and confirmed by Peterson, that purchase orders must be made for <u>all items to be bought</u>; on items of \$100. or more the purchase orders are to be signed only by Ward Abrahamson, Mgr. and if he is not available, then by Edward C. Larsen, Equipment Accounting Clerk; this specific authorization also applies to all salvage sales and private material sales.

Larsen also presents some facts and figures he has acquired on the oiling and greasing of trucks, their perofrmance because of or lack of same, etc. Says ke chart re dates of these services is no longer kept because no interest was displayed in these statistics. This chart and data to be resumed.

Motion made by Gamertsfelder, supported by Voss, to authorize Chairman Peterson to sign the Acceptance R port from State Highway D^E partment re Globe Construction contract work. Fed. Aid Project No. CS 53-23, C2; 53-26, C3; 53-27, C2; 53-38, C2, etc. in Eden, Riverton, Grant Sheridan and Sherman Twps.

County agrees to do the centerline painting requested, before the completion date of 7/1/65

Mgr. reads letter from Branch Twp. Supervisor Shoup, requesting snow-plowing they want done in front of the U.S. Post office in Walhalla. Do not want to set precedent doing this private work as many contractors are offering snow-plowing services and county could only dit after all county roads and state highways were clear, whereas they would want this service immediately. Letter to be sent to Shoup explaining the reason for refusal of this wor

Clayton Renwick is in regarding the road he built off Lakeshore Drive over in Buttersville. He wants to get his money out of this project and cannot do so until the county has accepte this road into the county system, as the residents thereon want to be assured of snow-plowif There is more work to be done on this road and he is asked to furnish a \$1,000. performance bond, and information as to whether the property owners have deeded the r.o.w. to the countroad commission. Commissioners to look this road over again before acceptance. Renwick wibe back on the 24th.

Commissioners did not reconvenem after lunch. Looked at the Renwick project and adjourned

at 4:00 P.M.

Clerk

Chairman

Dec. 24, 1964 - Meeting held with Comrs. Gamertsfedder, Voss and Chairman Peterson present, together with Mgr. Engr. and Clerk.

Minutes of the Dec. 18th, 1964 meeting were read and approved as read.

Clayton Renwick was in with \$1,000. performance bond on road he is building in P.M. Twp

Motion is made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Gamertsfelder, and confirmed by Chairman Peterson, to accept the road designated as starting at Lakeshore Drive in P.M. Twp. Sec. 27, T I8 N, R. I8 W, 284 feet north of the south line of Gov't Lot 3, thence west 802 feet, thence south I3 degrees east, a distance of approximately 1,025 feet, being a part of Gov't Lots 3 & 4.

Renwick signed an agreement this date promising to complete the work on this road to the specifications and approval of the Board of Road Commissioners before June 1, 1965. (This agreement on file with his performance gond)

Commissioners adjourned for lunch and did not reconvene.

Clerk

Chairman

Dec. 31, 1964 - Regular meeting held with Chairman Peterson, and Comrs. Voss and Gamertsfelde present, also Mgr., Engr. and Clerk.

Robert Smith, of the Smith and Eddy Agency present to discuss insurance values on building and contents. HE was asked about the addition to the steel storage shed and he did not think there would be any additional charge. Chairman signed two copies of the statement of values which were the same as last year, copy to be returned by Smith for our files.

More discussion on the Value of office, shop, stockroom and other muxime equipment, and a motion is made by Comr. Voss and supported by Comr. Gamertsfelder, confirmed By Chairman Peterson, that \$10,000. additional valuation should be placed on the contents of the main building.

Engr. then joined commission and the 1965 road program was discussed. The clerk adjourned to her room as she was not needed.

Commissiphers adjourned at noon for lunch, and did not reconvene in the office.

Clerk

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New Lecord Book for 1965