

Jan. 7, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Board of Mason County Road Commissioners with Chairman Gamertsfelder, Arthur Voss and John Biegalle present. Also present were Manager Abrahamson and Secretary Florence Klenk.

Minutes of the Dec. 31, 1965 meeting were read and approved with deletion regarding any definite understanding on the Michigan Mutual promise of Sproule claim settlement.

Two letters, identical in content, were received from the employees Local 14789, one being addressed to the Mgr. and one to the Chairman of the Board, stating the specific grievance which they want to discuss, during their prospective meeting with the commission on the 14th of Jan. at 3:30 P.M.

Mgr. asks board regarding the selling of two of the old heaters which have been replaced by the new heating system. It is the unanimous decision of the commissioners to sell the two shop blowers to the Atkinson Mfg. Co. for \$50.00 each and they will come and remove them.

The Freesoil Twp. Board with Supervisor Maue; Clerk Marcellin Marquardt; Treas. Michael Rybicki and Trustee Jerome Rybicki, were in to discuss more work they want done on the Stephens road and they want to put guard rail on the hill. Mgr. Abrahamson tells them that they pay materials only on the guard rail. Engr. Lunde attends meeting to tell Freesoil Board his idea of the additional work they want on this road grade. He estimates that it will be about \$1250. more plus the guard rail.

They mention that they have a petition to fix the Freeman Road, one mile west of the Custer Road, between the Custer and Tuttle Roads, but want to do a good job on the Stephens road while equipment is there.

A check in the amount of \$3,000.00 is received during this meeting from Freesoil Twp. and receipt No. 3820, dated 1/7/66 is rendered for this amount. This would cover Freesoil Twp's 20% share on the Stephens Road Bridge, an amount of \$955.50; with the balance to apply on the Stephens Road, as it is now set up on the present agreement, the balance to apply being \$2,044.50, leaving \$3,184.50 on the present estimated cost of Project No. S-1065. Any additional work will have a new estimate and a new agreement.

Mgr. reports that he called the Pros. Attorney re the Baranek matter, and also that the Pros. had told Sup. Helminiak of Grant Twp. that it was none of his business as it was between the two property owners. One of the parties (Dugan) has hired a lawyer by name of Jennings and he will fight anyone who interferes. He advises the road commission to keep out since it is not a certified road, but says that Baranek can probably get an easement on it.

Commission and manager adjourn for lunch and do not reconvene in office.

Florence Klenk  
Secretary

Ed Gamertsfelder  
Chairman

Jan. 14, 1966 - All commissioners, manager and secretary present at this regular meeting. Leo Sobanski, Sup. of Hamlin Twp. also present. Minutes of the Jan. 7, 1966 meeting were read and approved as read.

Mr. Sobanski was in to get agreements signed by the commission for work to be done in his township for 1966.

All accounts payable remaining for 1965 were signed by the commission; these amount to \$15,515.33; this included the bills signed on the 7th also. The bill for the new heating equipment is to be held until representative comes and inspects the installation and operation.

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Edward Larsen, Acting Clerk, sat in for the opening of the bids on the front end loader. The bids were as follows: -

Great Lakes offered the Scoopmobile, Model LD 350 with Cummins Engine - \$32,000.00  
(delivery - from Portland, Oregon) 23.5 x 25 tires; 12,500 # operating capacity.

Michigan Tractor and Machinery Co. - Caterpillar 966-B - 23.5 - 25 tires - 34,983.00 less  
(delivery - 2 to 4 weeks) Model D-333-T; 9,450# Op. Cap. - 2% - 10 days

Contractors Machinery Co. - Euclid L-30 - GM Diesel 6 B 53 20.5 x 25 tires - 30,350.00  
(delivery by 2/14/66) Tire Options + 1,200.00-  
Total - 31,550.00

Euclid L-25 - GM Diesel 471 - 9,800 Op. Cap. - 26,165.00  
17.5 x 25 tires -  
with 20.5 x 25 tires - + 1,335.00  
Total - 27,500.00

Miller Equipment Co. - Michigan 125 Series 3 - Cummins V8R 220 - 32,582.70  
(60 to 90 days) with 23.5 x 25 tires - + 235.00  
Total - 32,817.70

Wolverine Tractor & Equipment Co. -  
(30 - 45 days) Hough - Model H 90 C - Cummins V6 180 -  
with 23.5 x 25 tires - 32,604.00  
less 2% -30 days - 652.08  
31,951.92

Earle Equipment Co. - Allis-Chalmers TL-645 - A.C. - 3500 -  
(30 days) with 20.5 x 25 tires, no option - 27,740.00

Commission adjourn for lunch and return. Clarence Wolfe of the Central Realty Co. is in with the new plat for the Del Ray Subdivision. He is informed of the situation encountered previously on this subdivision whereas Towns, the contractor, who is also to be contractor on this new work, did not finish the job per specifications, and it was up to the Road Commission to finish the job. Much gravel patching had to be done right after the plat was signed, and then when additional gravel had to be put on, it absorbed the posted check of \$500. plus an additional \$197.40 which had to be collected from the Mason Land Company.

At 3:30 P.M. the employees committee consisting of Pres. William Gordon, Harry Leonard, and Harry Bedker, with their Union Rep. Earl Neely, met with the commission regarding their grievance about violation of Rule 7, Page 7, of the working policy regarding the assignment of the new motorgrader to H. B. Riffle without same having been posted.

This discussion lasted until 6:30 P.M., during which Neely requested that the job be posted at this time, and that in return for this they would agree that a 30-day limit be put on the time in which a grievance could be presented if the assignment after the posting was not agreeable to any or all employees.

The commission were not agreeable to this and therefore, Neely requested a further meeting with them in two weeks, on Jan. 28th, 1966.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

Florence A. Blank  
Secretary

E. J. Gametofelder  
Chairman

Jan. 21, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Board was held this date with all Commissioners Manager and Secretary present. Minutes of the Jan. 14th, 1966 meeting were read and approved as read.

Discussion on the Delray Subdivision; Mgr. says there are about 1700 feet of road involved. Mgr. reports Ornan Myers of Towns Trucking Co. called to say that grading is all done; brush is all off and there is 6" of crushed gravel on there now. Should the gravel sink down in the clay in the spring, an additional 4" would be put on; this would be approximately 425 cu. yds. and would cost about \$1300.

A motion is made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder that a performance bond in the amount of \$3,000. be requested for the finishing of the work in this subdivision.

Mgr. and Clerk advise Commission that Auditor Matt Amersdorf of Auditor General's Dept inquired as to whether efforts were being made to collect the Wadel account, of \$1693.05. Motion is made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder, to turn over the Wadel account of \$1,693.05 to the Prosecuting Attorney for collection.

Riverton Twp. Board was in at 10:30 A.M. Present were Sup. Birdsall, Clerk Marrison, Treas. Hedstrom, Trustees R. Schwass and A. Dittmer. They want estimates on the following work: - (1) want agreement for work estimate on Kistler Road, from Scottville Road west 1/2 mile.

(2) want estimates for Morton Road, from Chauvez Rd. to Hawley Road, re-sealing.

(3) want culvert on Meisenheimer Road, 1/4 mile west of Scottville Road, replaced.

Discussion of the case of employee James Rhinebolt being on workman's compensation and an inquiry from the insurance carrier as to whether or not there was light work available for him. Dr. Kellawan says he definitely cannot return to driving truck, or doing any lifting, etc. Commission says Mgr. should check with the doctor as to what he would consider light work or acceptable work for the condition of Rhinebolt.

Adjourn for lunch.

Mgr. reports that he called Clarence Wolfe, collect, regarding the Del Ray Subdivision and told him of the bond requirements in order to get their plat signed.

Several salesmen were present to further promote their loader qualifications. Some confusion as to what the field may be narrowed to in making this choice. Engr. Lunde in attendance during this discussion. More information to be sought via visual means at the sources of production.

Adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Clarence S. Wolfe  
Secretary

Ed Gamertsfelder  
Chairman

Jan. 28, 1966 - The regular meeting of the road commissioners was held this date with all commissioners, manager and secretary present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Further discussion on employee James Rhinebolt, whether or not commission has work available for him other than his regular truck operator's job to which Dr. Kellawan says he is unable to return. Commission thinks the decision as to suitable work should depend on the opinion of a specialist to which the insurance carrier wants to send him.

Manager wants to discuss 1966 paving program. Engr. Lunde is up to discuss this tentative program. Secretary returns to her office during this discussion.

Further discussion also on awarding of loader bid; nothing definite at this time.

Employees committee did not appear, altho<sup>9</sup> they had requested to be present on Jan. 28 at the close of the meeting with them on Jan. 14th.

Board adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Florence A. Klenk  
Secretary

L. J. Gamertfelder  
Chairman

Feb. 4, 1966 - The regular weekly meeting of the road commissioners was held with all comrs. present, with Manager and Secretary. Minutes of the Jan. 28th meeting were read and approved as read.

Leo Terryn, contractor, was in regarding a plat on north end of Hamlin Lake. He wants to get his money from people he is work for who are developing this plat and wants plat signed; he wants to get a bond so he can get his money, they are on his back because the work is not done.

Commission says plat owner should come in and talk over this plat, and it is up to the plat owner to get the bond to assure the specifications for roads in the plat have been or will be met, before the plat can be signed.

Commission adjourned for lunch and went to visit the site of this plat work. Did not see plat as ~~xx~~ there was too much snow. Adjourned at 3:00 P.M. without reconvening in the office.

Florence A. Klenk  
Secretary

L. J. Gamertfelder  
Chairman

Feb. 11, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Road Commissioners was held this date with all members present, also manager and secretary. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Motion is made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss, for the Chairman to sign the 1966 Road Certification Maps with the following additions to the 1964 and 1965 certifications: -

1964

1. Harbor Drive (Birch Harbor Subdiv.)	.38 miles
2. Birch Lane " " "	.34 "
3. Johnson Road (The Pines Subdiv.) ext. west	.08 "
4. Chilberg Road (Chilberg Subdiv.)	.56 "
5. Montgomery Blvd., (Nagasaki & Pentwater Beach, Add'n. #5	.55 miles
Total -	<u>1.91 miles</u>

1965

1. Harbor Drive (Birch Harbor Sub. #2) Summit Twp.	.531 miles
2. Hawthorne Drive (Historical Mile Sub.) Sec. 27, P.M. Twp.	.14 "
750.53 <sup>9</sup>	

3. Patterson Drive (Historical Mile Subdiv.) P.M. Twp. Sec. 27	(1024.92')	.19 Miles
4. Frances Drive (Twin Oaks Sub.) Sheridan Twp., Sec. 28,	(344.38')	.065 "
5. Dee Allen Dr. " " " " "	(544.46')	.10 "
6. Hollywood Ave. (Sun Set Strip Sub.)		
Private (Grant Twp.)	1115.82'	.21 "
7. Vine " " " " "	203.78'	.04 "
<del>8. Tuttle Road (Sherman Twp., Section 16-17)</del>		
8. Tuttle Road (Sherman Twp., Section 16-17)		.2 "
9. Manales Rd. " " Sec. 16, east of Tuttle Rd.		.2 "
Total -		1.42 miles

Comr. Biegalle reports that John Davis is again registering a complaint about the Nuremberg Road.

Mgr. advises commission that employee Robert Buckley intends to terminate employment as of Feb. 11, 1966.

Motion is made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder to accept the bid of the Michigan Tractor and Machinery Co. for the articulated front end loader at the bid price of \$ 34,983.00 with terms of 2%-10 days delivery promised in from two to four weeks.

William Lessel, new salesman for the Contractor Machinery Co. was in to meet the commission briefly.

Discussion on the plat Leo Terryn is work on which he wanted the commission to sign so that he could be paid for his work. Mgr. says that he had a call from J. Trucks of Clare County, who is one of the three owners of this plat up in Victory Twp. He was advised of the requirements regarding the performance bond. Mgr. is to get in touch with Supervisor Rosenow regarding this plat and see what the township views are on the subject. Trucks offered a \$5,000. performance bond.

Mgr. reports that two of the 1958 trucks need replacing. One of them needs an engine and the boxes are in tough shape.

Bids to be taken on March 11th for the following items: -

- Corrugated Metal Culvert Pipe
- Steel Beam Guard Rail
- Asphalt --MC's and Emulsions
- Grader Blades
- Laminated Wood Culverts
- Concrete Culvert Pipe
- 31-D Seal Coat Aggregate
- Brine (Dust Layer)
- Diesel Fuel (six months, April 1st thru Sept. 30, 1966)
- Gasoline (six months, April 1st thru Sept. 30, 1966)
- Motor Oils (one year, April 1st thru March 31, 1967)

(Materials, where same applies, must meet current State Highway Department specifications.)

Letter read from the Safety Commission regarding the requirements of the Construction Safety Act, and necessity for registering for same.

Commission adjourned for lunch and visited site of plat in Victory Twp. in the afternoon, did not reconvene in the office. Adjourned.

*Flarence A. Hensch*  
Secretary

*L. J. Gamertsfelder*  
Chairman

Feb. 18, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Road Commissioners was held this date, with all members present, together with manager and secretary. Also present were three members of the Roads and Bridges Committee, Don Villadsen, Glenn Wallace and Charles Stewart.

Minutes of the Feb. 11th meeting were read and approved as read.

The first request of the Chairman of the Rds. and Bridges Committee was for a copy of Road Commission minutes to be forwarded each month to the County Clerk for the information of the Board of Supervisors.

Motion was made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder that the minutes be published in the Ludington Daily News once each month, and send a copy to the County Clerk from the official record.

The Rd. and Bridge Committee inquires about the possibility of different participation on construction of local roads. They want a 50-50 participation. Villadsen says Road Commission is doing a good job on the Primary Roads, but could stand more on the local roads. They do not expect an answer on this inquiry at this meeting but ask the Road Commissioners to study it and see what they can do.

Mr. Wallace asks about part of the Tyndall Road, north from the Kinney Road on the County Line, in Logan Twp, and why this road is not being built up as traffic is getting heavier all the time. Villadsen says he understands Logan Twp. is going to try and get millage so as to do some road work.

Discussion on the Nuremburg Rd., and Mr. Villadsen says the Forestry Service would help maintain only the first mile as that is the only part which has anything to do with their park.

Adjourn for lunch.

After reconvening, Ken Stephens, County Surveyor, was in with tentative plat for Marquette Hills Subdiv. in Victory Twp., about which Leo Terryn has previously talked to the commission, but about which the plat owners have not yet appeared or posted the performance bond requested.

Mgr. says a new man must be obtained in Robert Buckley's motorgrader job from which he has retired. The job is posted and Oscar Schulz has signed for this job, having the most seniority. Mgr. mentions hiring Leonard Taylor who has applied for a truck driving job, but would be hired at this time to help cut trees; he will be hired at the light truck rate of \$1.90.

Motion made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss to adjourn the meeting at 4 P.M.

*Lorence A. Kunk*  
Secretary

*Ed Gamertsfelder*  
Chairman

Feb. 25, 1966 - Regular meeting held with all road commissioners, manager and secretary present. Also present were Leo Monton, Supervisor of Custer Twp., and Dwight Hall, Trustee.

Monton and Hall in to talk about Project S-2064, in Section 17-20, Custer Twp., on which billing was made on Oct. 8, 1965. This was for \$651.30, but they say they wanted gravel on this job. Secretary gets Custer Twp. file and the agreement which Custer Board signed with the commission, specifically stated and underlined that "no new gravel was to be added". Mgr. estimates about 200 yards of gravel at approx. \$2.68 per yard, would be enough.

Engr. Lunde has some questions to ask the Custer officials about the job now being considered on the Hansen Road, east of the Tuttle Road. Monton and Hall to stop in at Engr's office on their way out. Monton asks Mgr. to take a look at some trees in the ditch by his place on south Custer Road which plug up the culvert with limbs which break off on the road; says this happens about twice a year.

A new agreement is made up for the gravel on S-2064 on First Street, and Monton takes it with him for Custer Board to sign. Work to be done right away as road is very bad.

Mgr. reports that Will Bacon wants to move a road in Logan Twp., Sec. 22, along property of which he is caretaker.

Elmer Peterson has requested use of Road Commission shop equipment on which to turn some brake drums. The answer is "No" as Commission does not want to set a precedent for outside work.

Clarence Schade complains to Comr. Voss about drainage from his property and also at Bogvads. The ditch is not deep enough he says. Claims he was in to talk about this situation and could not get any results. Engr. said he had not talked to him since work was done out on Stiles Road. Engr. shows commission the plan and profile of Stiles Rd. to show the situation about which Schade is complaining. Engr. says snow in the ditch is probably causing some of the trouble as this ditch is very flat there, and causes a big lake in Bogvad's yard. Engr. and Mgr. to study the drainage problem at the Stiles and Kistler intersection at the southeast side.

Commission adjourned for lunch and toured roads in the afternoon. They looked at the road William Bacon was asking about moving, and decide it is not road commission business. Adjourn at 4:30 P.M. without reconvening in the office.

*Clarence Schade*  
Secretary

*W. J. Garmatz*  
Chairman

Mar. 4, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Road Commissioners was held this date with all members Secretary and Engineer present. Manager absent.

#### Scottville

Also present was City Manager Gerald Russell who wanted some definite agreement on the work being done along the P.M. river. He wants to know how long road commission will be taking sand out of there. They are not interested in the amount of sand to be taken only the time involved in doing so. Engr. Lunde requests assurance from City of Scottville that people will not be allowed in there while this work is going on. Mgr. Russell says a sign will be put up saying "Travel at your own risk". Rd. Comm. Mgr. is to make up an agreement for City of Scottville approval on Monday night, during their regular commission meeting.

Daniel Boocker from Bremen, Indiana, was in to request help regarding access to his property on south side of the South Bayou at Hamlin Lake. Access has always been over private property adjacent to his, but now a house is being built thereon, and they have to travel elsewhere. Boocker says county promised to come in and bulldoze out the stumps if he would brush it out. After some discussion, Engr. says county will do this work but will leave the stumps on the edge of the road.

Road east of Stakenas's, 1/2 mile from US-31 on Townline Road is reported in bad condition

Regarding the Marquette Hills Subdiv. in Victory Twp., County Surveyor Ken Stephens claims Milo Wilson said the plat was O.K., but commission understands Wilson okayed only the first part.

Motion is made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss, that the "Guaranteed Total Cost of Repairs" agreement with Michigan Tractor and Machinery Co. on the new loader be signed by the Chairman.

Engr. inquires of the commission regarding the election of directors for County Road Assoc; nominees presented are unknown to commissioners therefore choice is made by engr.

Engr. reports there is to be a hearing on the Quarterline Road for obtaining a R.O.W. on Olsen property. Commission may have to pay about \$100. for the proceedings for the hearing.

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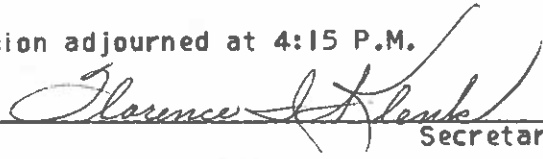
Engr. has searched the Sheridan Twp. records of 1892 and says that coming in from the west and following the edge of Round Lake on to Holmes School, R.O.W. was obtained for a consideration of \$30.00, therefore, it appears as tho' Road Commission has the R.O.W. along the fringe of the lake. Matter to be turned over to Attorney Claire to see just what those records would give the Road Commission.

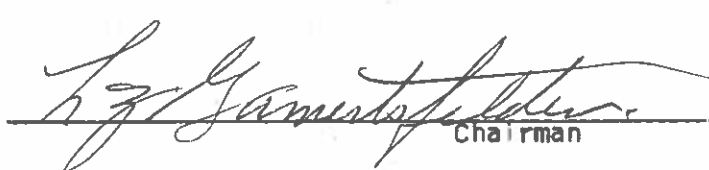
Edw. Larsen, Equip. Cost Accounting Clerk, asks commission about disposal of the flotation tires which were taken off the two White trucks, and some new ones in stock. Have one offer for these tires, Larsen is requested to contact two other possibilities.

Larsen also presents information regarding the Pressure Washer for trucks, the demonstration of which he observed recently. Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle, confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder, to purchase the L. and A. Pressure Washer, at a price of \$456.24, which includes soap and degreasing compound.

Discussion on need for new motorgrader and a new car for the commissioners. Mgr. and Engr. to get some quotations and more information on both items. Advertisement to be placed for a tandem Motorgrader.

Commission adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

Mar. 18, 1966 - Regular meeting of the road commissioners was held this date with all members present, also Manager and Secretary. Minutes of the March 11th meeting were read and approved as read.

Don Cameron was in to inquire about the status of some property which he had previously sold to the Conservation Dept. in 1942. It was to be for a park but nothing has ever been done with it. Mgr. looks this up on State Hwy. map and it appears there was an easement for road purposes. Cameron would not like to recover this property if possible and is referred to State Hwy. Dept.

Howard J. Bohnet, Vice Pres. of the company developing the Del Ray Beach Subdiv. No. 2 in Eden Twp. was in to get the plat signed. They have furnished a bond from the American Central Co. to assure the specifications of the roads in this plat to be to the satisfaction of the Road Commissioners.

Motion is made by Comr. Biegalle, that the bond of the American Central Co. for the Del Ray Beach Subdiv. No. 2, be accepted and that the plat be signed; motion is supported by Comr. Voss and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder.

Bids for two trucks were opened at 11:00 A.M. The bids on hand at that time were as follows: - Steingraber Auto Sales for Dodge C-800 trucks with Daybrook Box and Lear Pump at \$7,750.00 ea. - total price \$15,500.; the same truck with Gar Wood Boxes and Hydecopump would be \$7,835.00 each, total price - \$15,670.; delivery date is given as from 9 to 10 months.

The Bid of Howard Thiel and Son was on G.M.C. -HM 7640-A - 2 trucks - \$14,500 these are with Daybrook boxes; with Gar Wood boxes, it would be \$98.37 extra per truck; Delivery date is given as 75 - 90 days.

The Bid of Dittmar Healy for Ford F-850's with Gar Wood Boxes, was \$14,570, for the two dump trucks; but no delivery date promised; factory had said delivery would be about 90 days.

Bid from Grand Traverse Auto Co. came in late; agents asked, but no one consented to have late bid opened.





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GRADER BLADES - Bids were received from <del>2</del> Shults Equipment Co.,	In lots of 50. <del>99</del>
Gregware Equipment Co.	" .99
Contractors Equipment Co.	" .97
Contractors Machinery Company	" .955
Yeager Bridge and Culvert Co.	" .92

STONE - Bids received from Hersey Sand and Gravel Div., - 31-D Mod. - 1.80 per net ton, delivered to Scottville yard; and from Sievert Brothers @ \$2.19 per ton for material delivered to stockpile in yard.

DUSTLAYER - Only one bid received from Liquid Dustlayer Trucking Co. for brine from Manistee and ~~also~~ from Dow Chemical Co. in Ludington.

GASOLINE - Bids received from Leonard Refining Co., Gulf Oil Co., Mobil Oil Co., Blarney Castle (Texaco), Standard Oil, ~~and many others~~ (complete tabulation of prices given when decision is made.)

OILS - Bids received from Gulf Oil Corp; Blarney Castle (Texaco), Standard Oil, Sinclair Refining Co. and Pure Oil Co. (complete tabulation of prices given when decision is made)

DIESEL - Bids received from Leonard Refining Co., Standard Oil, Blarney Castle (Texaco) and Sinclair Refining Co. (complete tabulation of prices given when decision is made)


Manager read letter from John Claire in regards to retainer fee. He suggested \$50.00 per month to start with and see how it works out. He said Mr. Sproule would now settle for \$1,250. for trees. The opinions expressed were not in favor of settling for this amount. In regard to the retainer fee, manager was to talk to Claire and find out more as to what would come under this fee and what would not.

Adjourned for lunch. After lunch Marshall Ebitts of the Shults Equipment Co. came in and some discussion was held on weights of the different grader blades.

Letter was read from Mr. Naruskiewicz complaining about the water along State Highway coming down and washing out the road in Cedar Shores Subdivision.

Commissioners and Manager then went to look at the water problem at the Hamlin Grocery.

Adjourned without reconvening.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

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William Connelly, of Mich. Mutual Liab. Co. was present to tell commission about new coverage for one million dollars which would be available at about \$800. additional premium to the present coverage, and would take over where the present \$500,000. liability left off. Says there are things covered under this that are not covered under present policies. He was requested to set these things down in black and white so they could be studied as to the desirability of this additional coverage.

Motion is made by Comr. Voss that the two copies of the Agreement with the State of Michigan - Highway Department for the Michigan Project No. CS B1 of 53-6-21 C1, Federal Aid Project S 402 (11) for the removal of portion of existing structure and construction of new bridge carrying FAS Rte 451 (Quarterline Road) over the Big Sauble River SW of Freesoil, be signed and that Robert E. Lunde be named as Project Engineer; this motion was supported by Comr. Biegalle and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder. This agreement was then signed by Chairman Gamertsfelder and Vice Chairman Arthur Voss.

Motion is made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle, confirmed by Ch. Gamertsfelder that \$10,993.71 be transferred from the Primary Fund of MVHF to the Local Road Fund.

The commissioners sign the Application and Permit of the Michigan Bell Telephone Co. to bury a cable on the Reek, Beyer and Poplar Roads, in Sherman and Freesoil Twp's, from Foster St., in Fountain to Reek Rd., on North Shore of Gunn Lake.

Engineer Lunde asks permission to set up a meeting which has been requested by Richard V. Lilly, Planning Office of the MSHD relative to the tentative proposed route for extension of freeway through this area. Meeting is to be April 1st, 1966 at 2 P.M. at some place arranged for by the Engineer. This will include persons from City of Ludington and Scottville, Board of Supervisors Roads and Bridge Committee, Road Commissioners, the supervisors from several townships through which the route may pass, and the area news media.

The bids opened at the last meeting for several materials were discussed. For first consideration were the bids on gasoline, diesel and oils. Bids on gasoline were: - Leonard - 12.03¢ per gal. - 1% 30 days; Gulf - 11.34¢ per gal. - 1% 30 days; Mobil - 11.56¢ per gal. - 1% 30 days.; Texaco 13.75¢ - net; Standard 11.05¢ - 1% 30 days.

Bids on the diesel fuel were: - Leonard - 12.28¢ for No. 1; 11.28¢ for No. 2 - 1% 30 days  
Texaco - 12.5¢ for " 11.5¢ for " Net  
Sinclair - 12.75¢ for " 11.75¢ for " Net  
Standard 10.93¢ per gal. on dual purpose fuel - 1% 30 days

Bids on the Motor Oils were: -

	<u>Lubricating</u>	<u>Hydraulic</u>	<u>Series-3</u>	
Gulf	48.5¢	42¢	82¢	Net
Texaco	56¢	57¢	76¢	Net
Standard	48¢	51¢	76¢	1% 30 da.
Sinclair	50¢	40¢	71¢	1% 10 da.
Pure	55¢	51¢	84¢	Net

Motion is made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder to accept the bid of Standard Oil on the gasoline, dual purpose diesel fuel and on the lubricating oil (S-1); and to accept the bid of the Sinclair Oil Co. for the Hydraulic and Series-3 Oils.

Motion is made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder, to accept the bid of the Shelby Culvert Co. for straight, 50' radius and terminal ends of Steel Beam Guard Rail, with 1/2% 10 day terms, and 5% discount for pickup at their Shelby plant by our equipment.

Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Biegalle, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that all bids for asphalt be accepted as they are identical, from Industrial, Leonard, Chevron, Seneca, Great Lakes and Bituminous Materials; also, to accept all bids on corr. metal cul pipe as they also are all identical from Hyde Equip. Sales, Paul Callender, Northern Cul Beach Mfg., F. Yeager Bridge, Elten Engrg., Jensen Bridge and Shelby Culv. Co.

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Motion by Biegalle, supported by Voss, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that the bid of the Cadillac Concrete Pipe Co. for concrete pipe and the bid of Graham Brimhall on laminated treated wood culverts, be accepted.

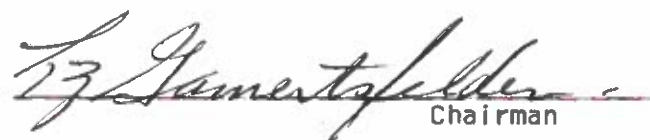
Motion by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle, and confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that the bid of the Hersey Sand and Gravel Division of the J. P. Burroughs and Son, Inc. for 31-D Modified gravel at \$1.80 per net ton delivered to the Scottville yard be accepted.

Regarding the bids on grader blades, more information was requested of one of the bidder in regard to quality of blades and they were asked to confirm this information in writing which was given over the phone. When this information is received, further consideration will be given to all blade bids.

Decision is made to advertise for bids on a tandem-all-wheel drive motorgrader for an April 8th opening, and for a passenger car for April 1st, opening.

Commission adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

Mar. 25, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Board was held this date with all commissioners present. Minutes of the March 18th meeting were read and approved as read.

Rich Hendrickson of Ludington Goodyear Tire Service was present regarding purchase of flotation tires now on hand. He has a prospective customer for these tires who will give the road commission 9 new 10:00 x 20 tires for the 14 flotation tires, 4 of which are new, and 10 used ones. As road commission price for this size tire is approximately \$102. each, this would mean \$1,018. received for the flotation tires which are not desirable for further use.

Motion is made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle, that the offer made by Hendrickson be accepted. Carried.

Chas. Hubbell, Sup. of Amber Twp., is present to request Amber's 1966 road program. Tentative program is as follows: - \$2,450.00 for gravel on the Conrad Road, this is already on agreement; \$300.00 for guard rail on Hansen Road, also on agreement. New work they want is \$2,623.00 - for blacktop on Dennis Road.; \$2,623.00 for blacktop on the Brye Road, Conrad Rd. to First St.; \$3,000. for gravel on various township roads:-

- (1) Johnson Road -Stiles to Dennis - 500 yards.
- (2) Amber Road, south, 1st to Conrad - 200 yards.
- (3) Amber Road - north end, by Chilbergs - 200 yards.
- (4) Gordon Road, north and south - 500 yards
- (5) Amber Townline with P.M. Twp., 1 1/2 miles - 750 yards, each Twp.  
This is on Meyers Rd., south of US-31, from Conrad Road.
- (6) 750 yards on the Hansen Road (the Crystal Lake Road)

Total program is in the amount of \$15,297.40.

Sup. Monton and Dwight Hall in for Custer Twp. They have estimates and want agreements made up for: - (1) Sec. 19-30 - Conrad Road, from Scottville Road to Darr Road, one mile. Grade and gravel; 20' wide gravel surface on a well-drained base for future blacktopping. Fences will have to be removed and re-set by others. - Estimated at \$4,345.

(2) Sec. 29-32 - Grading and gravel surfacing on Wilson Road, from Darr Road, east for 1/2 mile. - estimated at \$3,571.

(3) Hansen Road, work on two miles, starting at Custer Road, ends at Reek. Grading and ditching in certain areas defined as - Along part of Sproules' north line; widen fill east of Keson's house; widen and raise fills in two sage; cut sharp clay bank back; ditching at Bob Herlan's; raise and widen fill east of Herlan's (continued)

The 1,000 cu. yds. of road gravel is to be spread where necessary.  
The estimate on this work is \$4,070.00.

Custer also wants some gravel put on the Stephens Road between Sec. <sup>26-27</sup>~~27-28~~, where someone is going to build. This road has already been graded and two tubes put in, now Custer wants to put some gravel on and will pay for the gravel, estimate about 60 yards necessary.

Chairman Gamertsfelder says Raminzas reports that the Tuttle Road, where Julius Waver lives is almost impossible to get through there with the school bus.

Comr. Biegalle reports that the Fisher road east of Custer Road is in bad shape between the Reek and Schoenherr Roads.

Letter confirming Contractor Machinery Quotation on grader blades received, therefore, Motion is made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Voss, that the low bid of the Contractors Machinery Co. be accepted for grader blades. Carried.

Motion by Comr. Voss, supported by Biegalle, that the bid of the L. D. Trucking Co. be accepted for Liquid Dustlayer at .006 per gal. from Manistee, and \$2.50 per ton from Dow Chemical in Ludington, be accepted. This was the only bid received. Carried.

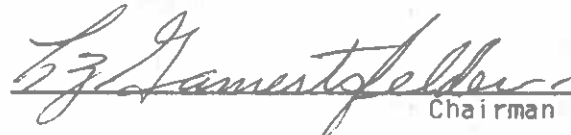
Commissioners adjourn for lunch and in the afternoon consider the truck bids opened on the 18th of March. Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Biegalle, to accept the bid of Dittmar-Healy Ford, Inc. for two complete dump trucks at the price of \$14,570. with Gar Wood boxes and options of \$116.00 for total price of \$14,662. Options include \$40.00 for frame reinforcement, \$22.00 for Heavy Duty Front Brakes and \$30.00 for Heavy Duty Rear Brakes. Carried.

Motion made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Voss, to accept the bid of Jan. 18, 1966 from the Lamar Pipe Co. of Grand Rapids, for prestressed box beams for a 32 ft. long by 30 ft. wide deck, at a cost of \$5,040.00 delivered to the job site on their trucks. Carried.

Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle, to retain John Claire as the Road Commission attorney at \$50.00 per month, effective April 1, 1966.

Commission adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

April 1, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Board was held this date with all commissioners present. Minutes of the March 25th meeting were read and approved as read.

Frederick Stewart, Sup. of Logan Twp., Otto Bogner, Treas. and Lester Frank, Trustee, were in to request estimate for repairing the bridge on Hawley Rd. which spans the South Branch of the P.M. River. A 1964 estimate had been given them in the amount of \$5400., of which 20% would be the township's participation.

Logan Twp. wants Road Comm. to change the Primary Road System in their Twp. They would like the present Primary Road, the Masten Road, changed so as to go west on the Anthony Road to Taylor Road and then south on Taylor Road to Washington Road. The two miles of the Masten Road from Anthony Rd. to Washington Rd. would be removed from the Primary system.

Bids on passenger car were opened at 10:30 A.M. with Edw. Larsen, attending the opening. Steingraber Auto Sales bid a Polara - 4 dr. sedan, at \$2,450.; Dittmar-Healy bid a Ford Custom - 4 dr. sedan at \$2,202.95; C. W. Smith and Son, bid a Fury I Plymouth at \$2,190.; and a Fury II Plymouth at \$2,249.61; Urka Chev. bid a Biscayne Chevrolet at \$2,107.55; Hansen Chev. bid at \$2,230.93 but no model was mentioned. These are not all comparable models, therefore no decision made at this meeting.

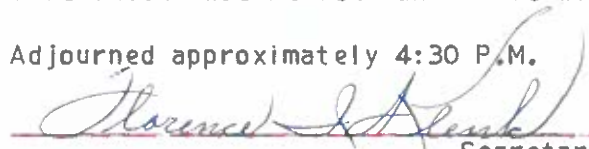


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- Sheridan Twp. Board was in and requested the following estimates: - (1) Fountain Road from Sherman Townline, east, past Budzynski Road, includes the sink-hole.  
 (2) Seal coat on Morse Road; double seal, from Sugar Grove to Dewey Road.  
 (3) Dewey Road, from Morse Road to Townhall, grade and gravel.  
 (4) Dewey Road, from Townhall to Campbell Road, grade and gravel.

Don Diesing present, representing owners of the Marquette Hills Subdiv. in Victory Twp. Presented letter from those involved in lieu of performance bond from bonding company. This letter was refused and he is advised that only a bond would be accepted.

Adjourned approximately 4:30 P.M.

  
 Secretary

  
 Chairman

April 8, 1966 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the April 1st meeting were read and approved with the addition that letter from owners of the Marquette Hills Subdiv. in lieu of performance bond as presented by Don Diesing was refused.

Riverton Twp. Board was in with Sup. Birdsall, Clerk Clayton Marrison, Treas. Elmer Hedstrom, and Russell Schwass, Trustee. They request that the agreement which had been signed on the Kinney Road, bet. Sec. 4-9 on Sept. 29, 1965 for a total of \$3,544.00 be cancelled and replaced with work on the Morton Road from Marrison to Washington Road.

- (2) Want contract for work on the Kistler road.
- (3) Bridge on Meisenheimer Rd., west of Scottville.
- (4) Discussion on water problem at Harry Cory's; no tube in driveway; Sup. Birdsall asks that this situation be looked into.
- (5) Riv. Twp. has a petition for two roads, 1/2 mile on Appleton Rd. and 1/2 mile of Hogenson from the Sippy road. These roads to be graded and gravelled. Petition says if any fences are holding up this work, tear them down. Robert Englebrecht who lives at Squires place on Appleton Rd. will cut down all the trees.
- (6) Re-seal blacktop on Morton Rd. from Chauvez to Hawley, 2 miles; something more has to be done with the second mile.

Comr. Voss asks Riverton Bd. about the tube across the road at Lundbergs; Sup. Birdsall says the township to do nothing more on this until the State comes up with a plan which is feasible to do what Lundberg wants done. Twp. had agreed to go \$250. with the balance of \$150.00 for his share of cost and Lundberg turned it down, therefore the offer was rescinded at the next township meeting and is not good at the present time, it would have to be voted on again. The last thing which was officially done was to have the State go ahead and make the survey.

David Dennis was in to see about fixing holes on Dennis road, 1/8 mile east on Beyer Rd; put gravel on top of hill at the next farm; 1 1/2 mile west of the store.

Bids opened for Motorgrader at 11:00 A.M. Bid from Don Nickels Co. on Super-Austin-Wester all wheel drive motorgrader with Cummins engine - \$ 26,756.00; less trade in - \$4,656.00, leaving a net price of \$22,100.00. This includes controls but not scarifier or bulldozer which are not being traded in with the old machine. Firm delivery date - from 6 to 8 weeks from receipt of order. Bid from Miller Equipment Co. was on a Huber Warco which is NOT an all wheel drive machine which was requested bid. Their gross price is \$22,980.00 with trade-in of \$4,580.00, leaving a net price of \$18,400.00. Delivery date, before 5/1/66. With Cummins Engine - \$450.00 extra; Flotation tires - \$1,585.00; the bulldozer and blade would be approx. \$1,210.00 extra since ones on trade-in would not fit a Huber-Warco.

Supplement bids on passenger car which had been requested as comparable to Dodge Polara bid opened on April 1st, were opened.

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C. W. Smith and Son bid the Fury III at \$2,392.65; Urka Chev. bid Impala at \$2,287.55; Dittmar-Healy bid Galaxie 500 - 4 dr. sedan at \$2,382.95.

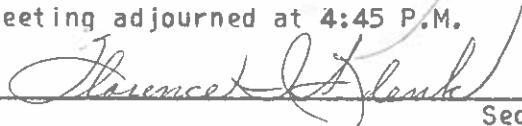
Motion made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss that the bid of Don F. Nickel Co. for the Austin Western all wheel drive motorgrader at the bid price of \$26,756, less tract in allowance of \$4,656.00, leaving a net price of \$22,100.00. Carried.

Motion by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss to accept the bid of Urka Chevrolet for one new Impala Chevrolet as per bid of April 1st and April 8, 1966, in a dark color. Carried.

A letter was read from the Union representing employees, requesting a meeting date with commissioners to discuss a contract. Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle, to send letter to Union granting them the requested meeting for April 29th, 1966, at 3:00 P.M. Carried.

Motion by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle to advertise for bids on approximately 20 miles of single seal coat construction for April 29th letting. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

April 15, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board was held this date with all commissioners present. Minutes of the April 8th meeting were read and approved as read.

Don Hullinger was in to see the commission's views on his tentative promotion of a drag racing strip to be located in Victory Twp. which would necessitate barricading part of the Victory Corners Road on Sunday afternoons each week. Commission will want to observe the ordinary Sunday traffic on this road before giving any opinion or encouragement that this could be done.

James Baker is in about Ordway Road, in Sec. 5 of Eden Twp. He wants Ordway Road opened from Chauvez Rd. south for .37 mile. This is certified now but he says others have been working their fields right up to the road and are keeping him from using it.

Louis Schauer from Mich. Con. Gas Co. was in to try and explain account numbers on the gas bills and as to the equipment covered by each meter. Three bills have come through with no reading. He says their computer kicks these out and requests a new reading when it is out of line with previous bills.

Comr. Voss reports that Don Lundberg in Riverton Twp. is working on the ditch project which was under discussion at the last meeting with the Riverton Twp. Board and he is going ahead with his part of this work and wanted the Road Commission Gradall down there on April 18th to dig out the ditch. Discussion on whether or not this work was a benefit to the road, if so, it would be okay to use county equipment, but if for his personal benefit then he would have to pay for the work done by the Gradall.

The Board was addressed by William Brickley of the Local Gov't Division of the State Hwy. Dept. in Lansing. Mr. Brickley had been requested by authority of the Board to come up and advise as to the proper way to reconcile the Pits and Stockpiles account at the end of the year. Emil Tavohnen, a special investigator sent here by the Auditor General's Dept. at the request of the Road and Bridge Committee in 1961, had instructed that this account be left open as a measuring stick as to whether or not enough or too much was being charged for gravel according to the costs shown therein. Since that time this account had not been closed out, in accordance with Tavohnen's instructions, but on account of the excessive costs accumulating therein, without any adjustment or increase in the charge for the gravel, this account was increasing each year in excess of actual gravel on hand, at the price being charged.

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Therefore, it was his advice that the actual cost of producing gravel be charged, or an adjustment would be necessary each year. He stated that the equipment clerk and clerk of the commission were both keeping very good records, but had no control over the costs which were being charged to the Stockpiles with no hope of recovering same, or no way of these excessive costs being spread to the roads unless the actual adjustment was made at the end of the year.

He also advised the board that in a strictly 50-50 matching program, they could easily get into trouble if actual costs were not used as any absorbed charges by the Road Commission would mean that they were not getting matching money and in several other counties this had happened and their Motor Vehicle Highway Fund money was held up until this deficit was cleared up.

He also advised that bids must be taken on all materials and services for over \$1,000. He cited examples of where even one part for a machine had to be obtained, and although it was known that only one supplier could furnish it, if the part was over \$1,000. bids had to be requested even tho' only one bid could possibly be expected. Just going through the motions was required to comply with the law.

Commission adjourned for lunch and did not reconvene. Don Villadsen was in to see the commission in the afternoon and discussed with Mr. Brickley the furnishing of gravel to a township by a contractor. Although the township might want to do this, it would have to be handled through the road commission and the road commission would have to take bids for the work desired or the gravel to be purchased.

Florence J. Henk  
Secretary

E. J. Sametfelder  
Chairman

April 22, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board of Road Comrs. with all members present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Leo Monton, Sup. of Custer Twp. was present to report that a tube was needed in the drive way of the Custer Cemetery as water was standing in a pond there and was that way every spring. Board agreed to put a tube there as this is on a Primary Road.

Letter from County Road Assoc. is read as to interest in the Scott Survey at a price depending upon the number of counties who participate in it. Motion is made by Comr. Biegalle that Mason County would be interested in this survey if the number of participants was between 60 and 70 counties ~~whereas~~ whereas the cost would not be over \$125. per year; this motion supported by Comr. Voss; carried.

Board is advised by Engr. Lunde that he attended the Engineers workshop at Ann Arbor on the 19th, 20th and 21st of April, and gave general idea of its worth.

Mgr. Abrahamson brings up need for a new brine tank. Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Biegalle, that bids be requested for a new brine tank; carried.

Sherman Twp. Supervisor Don Villadsen and Trustee James Walker were in regarding some drainage problems in their township. Commission and Mgr. go with them to observe these situations. Commission and manager do not reconvene in office after field inspection.

Adjournment at 4:00 P.M.

Florence J. Henk  
Secretary

E. J. Sametfelder  
Chairman



April 29, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board held with Comrs. Gamertsfelder and Voss present; Comr. Biegalle absent. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

John Rosenow, Sup. of Victory Twp., and Harold Williamson present to discuss the drag strip which Hullinger wishes to establish in Victory Twp. They are requesting assurance of the sufficient brining of the road leading to this area.

L. Modeweg and Leo Sobanski of Hamlin Twp. present to discuss the Modeweg plat and necessity of abandoning a now public road. Mgr. is to find out about abandoning this road from Attorney Claire.

Leo Sobanski, acting as emissary for the Chairman of Mason County Michigan Week Committee, wants county trucks designated for an all county pickup of rubbish and litter during this special week. He did not have information on how many people would be available to do the work if the truck were made available, or how many trucks they expected to have.

Drain Comr. Caldwell present to discuss culverts he thinks should be placed across Lakeshore drive at intersection with Duneview Drive, where road leads into Hamlin Twp. Park.

He also wanted gravel on the east side of Lakeshore Drive at the Marquette memorial. Told to get in touch with Sup. Ingersoll of P.M. Twp. and see if they had some money allocated for this work.

Bids are opened on single seal: -

McPherson Road Contractors bid 2.1¢ per sq. yd. on both the 4' edge and 20-22' surface.

Gilliland Construction - 2.7¢ on 4' edges  
2.5¢ on 20-22' surface

Globe Construction Co. - 3.0¢ on 4' edges  
2.85¢ on 20-22' surface

/Motion by Comr. Voss and supported by Gamertsfelder that the bid of the McPherson Road Contractors ~~xxx~~ on the single seal at the price of 2.1¢ per sq. yd. be accepted. Carried.

from Farnsworth Equipment Co.


Only bid received/opened on floor sweeper. For a demonstrator with a new machine warrantee of six months, delivery one week from date of purchase order, \$600.00; a new machine from the factory, six to eight weeks delivery, \$825.00; with 2% 10 days terms on both quotations.

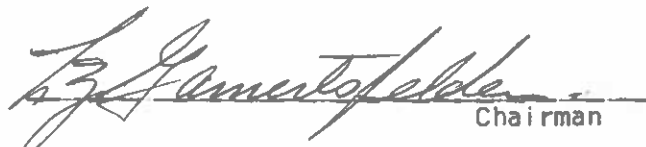
Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder that the floor sweeper be purchased from Farnsworth for \$600. less 2%-10 days. Carried.

Motion by Comr. Voss, supported by Gamertsfelder that the certified check in the amount of \$500. now held in escrow by the County Treasurer for the performance of 1965 seal coat work by the McPherson Road Contractors, be released for return to them, since the work has proved to be satisfactory and a new check in the amount of \$500. has been received this date for the 1966 work for which their bid was accepted, and same will be placed in escrow in lieu of a performance bond.

Commission adjourned for lunch. After reconvening, at 3:00 P.M., the employees committee of William Gordon, Louis Gimbutis, Harry Bedker, Homer Molyneux and their representative Earl Neely were present with a contract proposal. This was reviewed by the Commissioners present and will again be studied at the May 6th meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

May 6, 1966 - Meeting called to order by Chairman Gamertsfelder at 10:04 A.M. at Road Commission office. Present, Chairman Gamertsfelder, Comrs. Voss and Biegalle, Manager Abrahamson and Acting Clerk Edward Larsen. In the absence of Secretary Florence Klenk, due to illness, no minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Mr. and Mrs. Norton Neal were called in to discuss the problems connected with the grading work being done along the property south of Scottville. They wish to know why sand has been put on this land without obtaining permission. The property in question is owned by Mrs. Neal and two of her sisters. Manager explained that because of the width and elevation of the road, the slope of the banks extended out at varying distances, but that the maximum according to the survey book was forty-three (43') feet. The question was raised by the road was shifted more to the west. The manager explained that the old road was not centered on the section line and that the new construction was. Mr. Neal insisted that the other two sisters must be contacted and the extra right-of-way made legal. Mrs. Neal gave the addresses of the two sisters to be contacted as: Mrs. O. W. Moore, 131 N. Austin Blvd., Chicago, Illinois, and Mrs. H. A. Snyder, 4407-49th Avenue, North, St. Petersburg, Florida. Commissioners and the Neals agreed that Manager is to write to the two sisters and give copy of the letter to Mrs. Neal.

Richard Irwin and Richard Genter from P.M. Twp. were in to discuss their township's road program. They want ~~xxxxxxx~~ the following: -

- Estimate on 6th Street from US-31 to the east side of the railroad tracks.
- Hold up on Linlook Park work until City of Ludington has been contacted.
- First St., hold up, see how money holds out.
- Juniper Hills - this section forgotten last year
- Sherman Street - How about city help?
- Lakeshore Drive - re-seal.
- Bradshaw - prepare for seal next year
- Hesslund, past Wadels, double seal.

Complain about people turning around in Kissels driveway on Johnson Road. Also, have drainage problems on Ivanhoe and Rasmussen Roads. Manager to check and make recommendations.

Custer Village representatives, Lloyd Smith, Robert Bonser and Leonard Smedberg, in to request Road Commission help in repair of street used by county trucks when sand was hauled through village to the road north. Length of street 2 1/2 blocks. Commission decided to discuss the matter further after Custer obtains estimates from Laman Asphalt Paving Company.

Permission was given by Commissioners for Everett Dumas and Edward Larsen to attend the Clerks Seminar at Traverse City, on the 24th and 25th of May, using county car for transportation.

Commission adjourned for lunch. Reconvened to further discuss the proposed contract desired by the employees union.

Adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

*Florence Klenk*  
Secretary

*E. J. Gamertsfelder*  
Chairman

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May 10, 1966

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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ADMINISTRATION

WARD L. ABRAHAMSON, MGR.

ROBERT E. LUNDE, ENGR.

ROBERT D. WING, SUPT.

FLORENCE I. KLENK, CLERK-SEC'Y.

WHEREAS, Robert D. Wing was a valued employee of the Mason County Road Commission for eight years; acting first as Assistant Superintendent, and since May of 1962 as Superintendent of all operations; and

WHEREAS, his sudden and premature death on May 7th, 1966, which on personal grounds has brought sorrow to the hearts of a multitude of friends, is to the Mason County Road Commission an inestimable loss; and

WHEREAS, he was a man of genial personality with a rare gift of humorous expression, whose stature was greatly heightened by the enthusiasm with which he undertook his work, well-liked and respected by his fellow employees and those for whom he worked; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Mason County Road Commission record its deep sorrow at the passing of its friend and co-worker upon the minute book of this organization and that a copy of these resolutions in lasting tribute to his memory be sent to the bereaved family.

Respectfully submitted,

Lz Gamertsfelder

Arthur Voss

John Biegalle

*Signed by three Commissioners*





May 13, 1966 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the May 9th meeting were read and approved with correction regarding P.M. Twp. having made an allocation for Marquette Memorial site improvements which Caldwell has requested. He was advised to see the Twp. Supervisor as to money for this purpose. A resolution of condolence was signed by the Commission for Robert D. Wing. Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Biegalle, that one truck be made available Saturday afternoon, May 14th, for the collection of litter as proposed by the Michigan Week Chairman. Mason County Road Commission will furnish the driver.

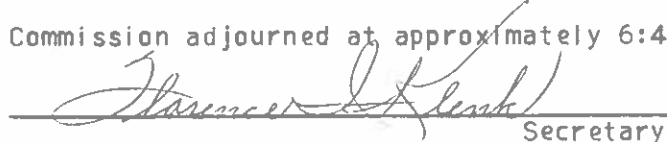
Payroll checks were signed by the chairman, in the amount of \$10,069.39, and vouchers in the amount of \$14,425.07 for bills were signed by the commission.

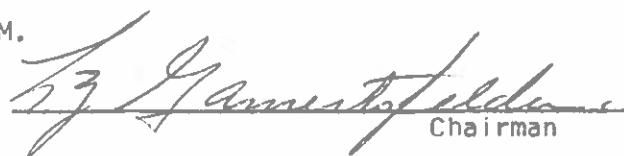
Michigan Mutual Ins. Co. bid for fleet and liability coverage, the only bid received, was opened at 11:00 A.M. Their total bid was \$13,493.89, an increase of \$4,791.68 over the bid for 1965. This was because of an increase in rates on Workman's Compensation, and because of experience rating which was 1.14% compared to .80% for 1965.

Motion was made by Comr. Voss, supported by Biegalle that the bid of the Michigan Mutual Liability Co. in the total amount of \$13,493.89 be accepted. Chairman Gamertsfelder signed the form to eliminate the uninsured motorist coverage from this policy.

Commission adjourned for lunch, and upon return met with employees committee and their representative, namely William Gordon, Harry Bedker, Homer Molyneux and Earl Neely. Further discussion of the contract proposal previously presented by them at the meeting of April 29th and May 6th.

Commission adjourned at approximately 6:45 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

May 20, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board of Road Comrs. was held with all commissioners present.

Leo Terryn, contractor, was in regarding the Marquette Hills Subdiv. plat, wants Road Commissioners to sign this plat. The work is done with the exception of some ditching which he promises to complete as soon as his equipment is available from job it is now on. No collateral or performance bond has been furnished on this plat. Commissioners consider that \$50.00 would cover the work yet to be done. Motion is made by Commission Voss and supported by Biegalle to sign the plat. Carried.  
(The plat is signed)

Sup. Monton of Custer Twp. in with request from C. Bailey that one part of Indian Trails which is signed Indian Road be changed to the Bailey Road. This is about one-half mile of road. Commission reluctant to do any more Road Name changing, but would change signing to agree with the rest of the road as Indian Trails.

Mgr. reports that a truck was sent out in compliance with the request from the Mich. Week Chairman to pick up litter along the 116 road, with John Kerstein as the driver. Not one person showed up to do this work, so after one or two hours, Kerstein returned to the barn with truck and went home.

Motion made by Biegalle, supported by Voss, that the resolution of February 18th, 1966 in regard to publishing the minutes in the local paper be rescinded as this is excessively expensive. Carried.

Motion by Biegalle, supported by Voss that the permit be granted to the Consumers Power Co. to erect a wood pole electric distribution line at Helling Ave., and 19th Street, Section 28, of Hamlin Township, Mason County, Michigan.

May 20, 1966 - continued

Agreement signed by board for Riverton Twp. work in Section 25, for grading and graveling on north side of St. Mary's Lake. Fence to be removed by Landowners and landowners have promised this in writing, same is filed with original copy of this agreement in Riverton Twp. file.

Commission adjourned for lunch and did not reconvene. Went to look at the road Logan Twp. want changed to Primary system in lieu of present system.

Flarence J. Kunk  
Secretary

W. J. Gamertsfelder  
Chairman

May 27, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board of Road Comrs. held this date with all comrs. present, together with Manager. Secretary was present in the forenoon session but not when committee was present in P.M.

No bids received for brine tank by the time they were to be opened at 11:00 A.M. Bid from Motyka came in the mail, but was not received until noon.

Four agreements signed with P.M. Twp. for (1) single seal on Lakeshore Drive, from Iris Road, north, a distance of 2.33 miles; blacktopping, double seal, Lendale Road, north of Ivanhoe; gravelling on Sixth Street, from US-31, east across the Railroad track and grading, drainage and gravelling on Sherman St., from First to Sixth St., on Second St., east of Sherman St., on Third St., east of Sherman St., and on Fourth Street, east of Sherman St.

Commission adjourned to look at the Swan Creek Bridge project, the Quarterline Bridge; project on Scottville Road and Wilson Road.

Returned in P.M. to meet with employees committee of William Gordon, Homer Molyneux, Frank Milvert and their representative Earl Neely, at 3:00 P.M. The tentative contract was again reviewed by the committee and the commission. Neely is writing up a contract and will submit it to the commission for study before their next meeting.

Commission adjourned approximately 4:45 P.M.

Flarence J. Kunk  
Secretary

W. J. Gamertsfelder  
Chairman

June 3, 1966 - Regular meeting of commissioners held this date with all members present. Minutes of the May 27th meeting were read and supplemented with record of 3 P.M. mtg. with employee committee, which secretary did not attend. Employee Committee, composed of William Gordon, Homer Molyneux and Frank Milvert. Earl Neely their representative is writing up the contract as orally agreed upon with the commission and will present revised version at their next meeting.

Mgr. presents preliminary plan of Bass Lake Shores Subdiv., Section 26, Summit Twp. as prepared by County Surveyor Stephens.

Motion is made by Biegalle, supported by Voss, that the certification of employment of registered Professional Engr., namely Robert E. Lunde, Ctf. No. 5184 be signed to the effect that he has performed the duties prescribed by law and that he has been employed by the Board for a major portion of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1965 and ending June 30, 1966.

Supervisor Stewart of Summit Twp. brought in three agreements for work, namely:  
(1) Single seal on 1.7 miles of Meisenheimer Road, from US-31 to Lakeshore Drive;  
(2) Single seal on 1 mile of Kistler Road from US-31 to Brye Road;  
(3) Single seal on 1 mile of Hawley Road, from US-31, west.

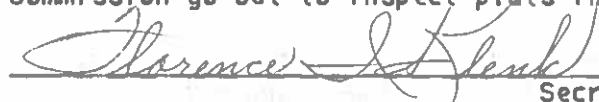
Chairman Gamertsfelder reports that the Road and Bridge Committee of Bd. of Supervisors have requested a meeting with Road Commissioners on June 10th.

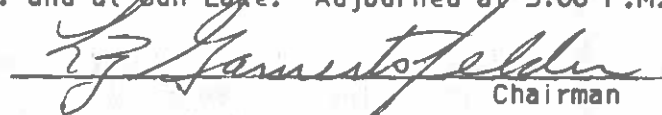
Supervisor Stewart asks that some person representing Road Commission be present at a meeting on June 8th regarding a matter in Summit Twp. which is being handled by Attorney John Claire. Requests that Engr. be present, but if unavailable, then Mgr. or Member of Commission.

Motion by Voss, supported by Biegalle that the Gravel Pit Agreement with the Tauchus family, namely Leonard, Laura, John and Tillie Tauchus, be signed.

Discussion on trouble on Victory Corners Road; water problem; Mgr. says there is a spring in that road. Report of request for brine on Kistler Road, from Morton Rd., east.

Commission go out to inspect plats in Eden Twp. and at Sun Lake. Adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

June 10, 1966 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the May 27th meeting were read and approved as read.

Payroll checks in the amount of \$9,902.25 were signed by the Chairman and vouchers for bills in the amount of \$24,215.76 were reviewed, approved and signed by the board.

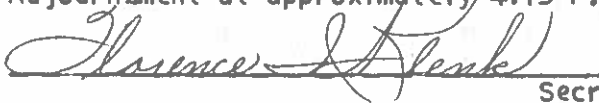
Adjourned to tour county with Road and Bridge Committee, and reconvened at 3 P.M. Comr. Voss reports mileage of 90 miles for use of his personal automobile to transport part of committee and commission personnel.

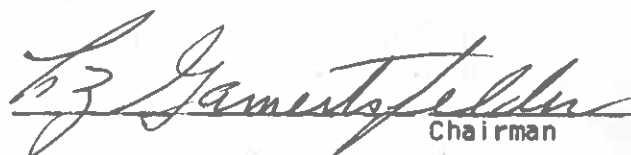
Received application for permit from Michigan Bell Telephone Co. to bury cable along the Morton Road and south side of County Line Road in Grant Twp. The county line road is under the jurisdiction of the Manistee County Road Commission. Application to be return for separation of locations as Mason Co. Comrs. cannot sign for the County Line Road.

Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Biegalle, to sign plat of Clarey's Subdiv., being a part of Gov't. Lot 1, Sec. 1, T19N, R16W, in Sherman Twp.

Mgr. asks commission's opinion of the Eden Lake plat as contractor Towns wants to know about this right away if same is satisfactory and ready for releasing the bond; will release bond when gravel is put on.

Adjournment at approximately 4:15 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

June 17, 1966 - Regular meeting held with Commissioners Gamertsfelder, Voss and Biegalle present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Glenn Hissong of Custer was present to ask if county planned on taking any more sand from his property. Had been told that some work planned would need some, but if they do not he would like to have the banks lowered where sand was taken before in order to have property in a more safe condition, or he will erect a fence there in order to protect himself from liability. He is told there is no work planned this summer in that area for which commission would need more sand; and anything in the future would depend on what the township wants done.

Glenn Ferris, contractor, is in regarding hill at the end of Duneview Road. He did a lot of work there and had to get pulled out of the sand on that Road. He was wondering if he could take some sand right out of the middle of the road for some work he is going to do the coming week. Comm. says they should look at this before giving him an answer. (after inspection of this road, Ferris was to be advised the answer was "NO".)

June 17, 1966 - continued

Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle and confirmed by Gamertsfelder that Dr. H. G. Bacon of Scottville, be designated as the road commission examining physician for pre-employment physicals, in absence of Dr. Mayer who was previously designated, as he has now gone to the army. Dr's. reports to be reviewed by board.

Discussion on the protest of Ralph Backwick regarding R.O.W. on his property along the Scottville Road; also protest of Frank Milvert. Engr. Lunde is supposed to come in at noon and tell the commission what progress he has made in this matter of obtaining R.O.W. General discussion on going ahead with plans for this road since last fall without being assured of R.O.W. along same. Comr. Biegalle said he had been told by the Engr. that this was all taken care of.

Discussion on James Rhinebolt, employee, presently on workman's compensation, who was to be re-employed on some job he could handle without further aggravating his back. He does not want to take Janitor work but insists on returning to his truck-driving job, says they have a different seat on there now which is more comfortable. Commission says he shall not be put back to work until a doctor's release has been received to the effect that he can drive a truck, and the commission has reviewed this report.

Motion was made by Commissioner Voss, supported by Commissioner Biegalle and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder, that the \$3,000. performance bond furnished by the American Central Corporation as Principal, with the Pacific Indemnity Company of Los Angeles, California, as Surety, on March 18th, 1966, at which time the plat for the Del Ray Beach Subdivision No. 2 was signed, shall now be released."

Edward Larsen asks the commission about advertising a list of obsolete items for sale in keeping with the resolution of Feb. 1, 1963. They say for him to bring the list up to date and they will look it over and then have it advertised in magazine or paper, or both. This is to be an auction sale.

Mgr. has preliminary plat of Billings Subdivision, being a part of Gov't Lot 2, Sec. 17, T 19 N, R 15 W., Sheridan Twp. Commission going to look at this.

After inspection the several items as mentioned above, the commission reconvened at 4 P.M.

Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle, confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder that an advertisement be placed in the local daily paper and the two state magazines, the Michigan Roads and Construction and the Michigan Contractor and Builder, for a Superintendent. Adv. to be same as placed previously for Manager, except for title and no age to be mentioned, adv. to request age to be stated as well as salary and qualifications.

Adjourned meeting at 4:30 P.M.

*Lorence J. Henke*  
Secretary

*H. J. Gamertsfelder*  
Chairman

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June 24, 1966 - Regular meeting of the commission was held with Chairman Gamertsfelder, Commissioners Voss and Biegalle present. Graham Brimhall present, also Leon EanBrock. Minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved as read.

The proposed working agreement by the Local Union 14789, UMWA, Dist. 50, was reviewed.

Motion was made by Comr. Biegalle and supported by Comr. Voss, confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder that the wage increase of 15¢ per hour to the hourly workers shall be effective as of July 1, 1966.

Motion made by Comr. Voss, and supported by Comr. Biegalle, with confirmation by Chairman Gamertsfelder, that the International Union of District 50, United Mine Workers of America, Local Union No. 14789, be recognized as the sole and exclusive collective bargaining agent for the Road Commission employees in the matter of wages, hours and other conditions of employment, since they have presented authorizations for dues deductions as proof of the desire of the majority of the employees involved.

Engr. Lunde present to discuss culverts needed on the Hawley Road. Estimates concrete arch with wood box for Hawley Road would be about \$6,000. Engr. or Mgr. to get prices on needs for the next meeting.

Edward Larsen presents copies of up-to-date lists of obsolete equipment which is to be sold at an auction within a month or when arrangements can be made.

Comr. Biegalle says the City of Scottville wants to rent one of our Motorgraders for some work they have. Discussion on the pros and cons of favors exchanged and how easily this can be one-sided, and Comr. Voss says he thinks whenever they do something for us they should bill us for it and whenever we do something for them they should be billed for it.

Further discussion on the hoist Ben Harrington, contractor, had wanted to buy, which was part of the items to be advertised for public sale. Differences of opinion on this matter had resulted in 'no sale' to Harrington in accordance with resolution on the books since February 1, 1963.

Mgr. asks commission for a decision in the matter of gravel basic cost to the township. Gravel in the Stuart Stockpile has now accumulated a cost of \$2.49 per cu. yd. Mgr. suggested a basic charge of \$1.60 with road commission assuming the balance of 89¢ per cu. yd. Twps would have to be made to understand that they are NOT then paying 100% of the cost of the job as they have previously done on gravel jobs.

Motion is made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle that gravel from the Stuart Stockpile be charged to the Twps. at the basic rate of \$1.65 per cu. yd. Chairman Gamertsfelder cast a decidedly negative vote on this motion.

Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle, and confirmed by Gamertsfelder to buy the brine tank from Motyka as previously bid in at the price of \$2,775.00 with Road Commission furnishing the axle. No delivery date known at this time.

Adjourned at approximately 4:00 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

July 1, 1966 - Regular meeting held this date with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read. Bills are reviewed, approved and signed by the commission in the amount of \$73,414.25.

Comr. Voss reports that Mrs. Wm. Dostal who has property in the Hamlin Lake Resort Subdiv. talked to him regarding the possibility of closing a road (part of Front St) near her property. She has brought this up before but nothing has been done and she wants the commission to come out and look the situation over and see what can be done.

The physical examinations of Cecil Tyndall and Douglas Larsen were reviewed by the board. Nothing appeared to be against the hiring of these men.

Don Diesing who is to conduct an auction for Road Commission later this month wants to know if he should advertise in other adjacent counties. This is to be advertised on the 21st of July in Mason Co. Press and 22nd in Ludington paper and sale is to be the 28th of July. Commission decides to have it advertised also in Manistee and Oceana Counties.

Further discussion on the request of Mrs. Dostal and reference is made to the petition of Mrs. Inez Danaher about closing a portion of Front St. in the same resort area as the Dostal property. The last shown in our official record was that Mrs. Danaher had presented the petition and Engr. Lunde was to advertise for a hearing on this closing.

Engr. Lunde was asked what happened on this and he said there was some exchange of property discussed and as far as he knew the matter went no further than the petition. (A check with the courthouse later, by the clerk, revealed that the Register of Deeds record of this plat, shows the only closings were the vacating of Second Street; part of road adjacent to Block 3, and part of Culver Street near block 42; all of these were at the top of the hill and no where near Front Street)

Discussion by Engr. on Federal Aid program. Federal Forestry Service will contribute \$4,000 to build the Schoenherr bridge on Townline Road bet. Erreesoil and Meade Twp's. The question was whether the \$4000. would be pro-rated among the three sharing in the cost of the bridge, or whether the Twp's share would be completely covered by this contribution and then the balance credited ratio wise to the other two contributors. Commission is to make a study on this question.

The culverts needed on the Hawley Road appear to have identical prices from Armco for corrugated metal, and Graham Brimhall for wood culverts. Engr. wants to use invitational bids on this rather than usual method which would again bring in identical bids as previously has resulted from advertising statewide, and advertise publicly in the local area paper.

Motion by Biegalle, supported by Voss that bids be requested from the bidders who answered the spring request for bids on culvert, asking for a specific size and delivery date; Chairman Gamertsfelder voted NO on this motion.

Engineer tells commission that the guard rail on the Fountain Road are too close together according to the federal aid inspectors. Have to spread them out to another 1½ ft. apart. These can be salvaged and reused with more fill dirt. Comr. Biegalle wants to know why this condition exists anyway that this work has to be done over, and Engr. says the federal aid jobs have been updated and altho' they met the requirements when the work was done, they do not meet the present standards, if federal aid is to be received on further work here.

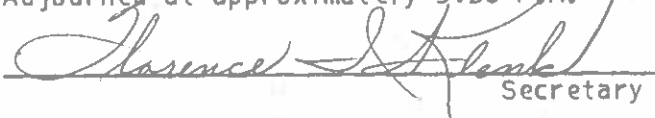
Discussion on price to use in asking for bids on blacktop work. Gravel to come out of Tubbs Stockpile which has been figured to be worth \$2.15 per cu. yd., which would be \$1.43 per ton approximately. Motion by Voss, supported by Biegalle, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, to use the actual cost for the gravel in our request for bids on blacktop program.

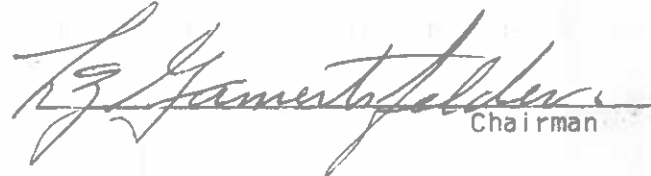
Adjourned for lunch. Reconvened at 2:45 P.M.

Motion by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that each of the salaried personnel, Abrahamson, Lunde, Brankert, Larsen and Klenk be given a raise of \$250. per year, effective as of July 1, 1966.

At 3:00 P.M., Union Committee with Neely, Gimbutis, Gordon and Molyneux for further discussion on the written agreement for working policy. There is to be a further meeting.

Adjourned at approximately 5:30 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

July 8, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held this date with Comrs. Gamertsfelder, Voss and Biegalle present. Minutes of the July 1st meeting were read and approved as read.

Mgr. reports that Engr. has weighed up some gravel and it figures to an average of 3000 lbs. per ~~xxx~~ cu. yd. and this would figure about \$1.43 per ton.

Leo Monton, Sup. of Custer Twp., is in to get agreements for the blacktop they want on the Wilson Road between Darr and Kintner. This is estimated at \$3,935.55 for materials only plus overhead.

Motion by Biegalle, supported by Voss and confirmed by Gamertsfelder to give Joe Borsfay the same hourly rate as received by the heavy equipment operators, that being \$2.25 effective July 1, 1966. Borsfay is a draftsman and assistant to the Engineer.

Discussion on the working policy being negotiated with the union committee, the subject being the apprenticeship for heavy equipment.

S. Baibak in regarding a culvert on the Round Lake Road which he has to use to get into his cottage. Says this has been in a hazardous condition for three years, and the loose planks which were put over this culvert flop up and a car is apt to get hung up on them. He is told that they intend to ditch along that strip and want to do a good job when they have the time. He says it has been this way for three years and Renwick won't even go over this with a truck. This is part of the Sugar Grove Road which goes around the south end of Round Lake. Chairman Gamertsfelder says this is the first time the commission has known anything about it and something will be done.

Motion by Biegalle and supported by Voss, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that the plats of Lincoln Lake Estates Subdivision being a part of the first 1/2 of Gov't Lot 1, Section 3, T 18 N, R 18 W, Hamlin Twp., Mason Co., and Bass Lake Shores Subdiv., being a part of the west 1/2 of Gov't Lot 1, Section 3, T 18 N, R 18 W, Hamlin Twp, Mason Co. be signed. Motion carried and plats are signed and dated.

A check in the amount of \$750. is received from Attorney Claire, from the Michigan Mutual Liability Co. for their share of the Barton Sproule settlement. This is made out to the Mason Co. Rd. Comm. and Claire wants a check in the full amount of \$1,000. made out by the Road Commission to Barton Sproule and Charles Wickens, and wants Comr. to execute the 'hold harmless agreement' for the insurance company.

Commission requests Manager to have a two-way radio put in the new passenger car No. 23

July 8, 1966 - continued

Regarding the Billings Subdivision plat, commission wants to know from Surveyor Stephens why that plat has to be that way with point of land jutting out in the roadway.

Motion by Voss, supported by Biegalle that the meeting be adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

*Florence J. Hunk*  
Secretary

*L. J. Gamertsfelder*  
Chairman

July 15, 1966 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Kenneth Parker, of Sugar Grove Road was in to ask why the East Sugar Grove road could not have a matte blacktop on it as well as the west section since the traffic was much heavier to the east on account of the bolt trucks and other heavy trucks turning off at Walhalla and then coming through on the Sugar Grove Road as a cut-off to US-31 north. He is told that this was programmed to be that type of road, but plans were changed. He reports that this road has tar showing through on it and the residents want something done so that tar residue will not get on their cars. Commission says Manager should check the bleeding on this road.

Bills in the amount of \$64,705.53 were reviewed, approved and signed, this included bills for Motorgrader, McPherson Contractors blacktopping, asphalt bills, gasoline bill, Wallace Stone, etc. all of which were sizeable.

Motion by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss that the Chairman of the Board sign the "hold harmless agreement" requested by the Michigan Mutual Liability Co., for check which they have rendered to the Road Commission for their share of the claim of Barton Sproule. This agreement to be forwarded to Attorney Claire together with a check from the Road Comm. in the full amount of the settlement \$1,000. payable jointly to Barton Sproule and his attorney, Charles Wickens.

Bids on the culvert requested for opening at 11 A.M. this date were opened; 8 bids were received as follows: -

1. F. Yeager Bridge and Culvert Co. - \$ 4,374.76, terms 1/2% - 10 days, net 30 (delivery 3 to 4 weeks from receipt of order.
2. Elten Engineering and Equipment Co. - 4,384.92, same terms, no delivery date given.
3. Northern Culvert Co. - 4,392.00, 1/2% - 10 days, del'y 6 weeks, sooner if required, F.O.B. jobsite
4. Jensen Bridge and Supply Co. - 5,000.00, 3 weeks delivery from date of order
5. Shelby Culvert Div., Young Metal - 5,712.66, 1/2%-10 days; 7 weeks from date of order
6. Max Davenport, Grayling, Mich. - 4,923.00, 1/2% 10 days; del'y 5 to 7 days.
7. Graham Brimhall Co. 5,271.64, none - Delivery date, 9/1/66
8. Paul Callender, Charlotte - Unable to bid on this requirement

S. Baibak was in again about the culvert hazard at Round Lake and is told that the big jobs cannot be closed down to do this work, but it will be done as soon as they can get to it.

Commission adjourn for lunch and to look at the situation at the Dostal property in Hamlin Lake Resort. Return to meeting approximately 2:30 P.M.

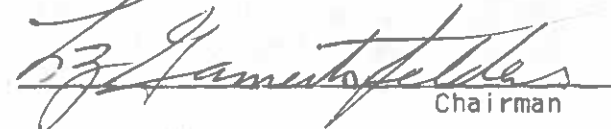
Motion is made by Comr. Biegalle to accept the bid of the F. Yeager Bridge and Culvert Co. for one (1) 10'11" x 7' 1" - 7 gauge Sectional Plate Pipe Arch as per bid of July 15th, 1966, this was the low bid. This motion supported by Comr. Voss and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder.

July 15, 1966 - continued

Motion made by Comr. Voss and supported by Comr. Biegalle, with confirmation by Chairman Gamertsfelder to sell snow plow to Air-port for \$50.00; this plow has been at the airport for some time, and they requested that it be given or sold to them. The price was set as an average of the price received for this type of equipment when the first auction was held and similar ones were sold.

Union committee comprised of Earl Neely, Homer Molyneux, William Gordon, and Louis Gimbutis were present to further study the tentative working agreement, convened with commission 3 P.M. and meeting was adjourned at 4:58 P.M. A further meeting for this purpose will be held after the job classification section has been presented to their membership. Mgr. requests that a copy of this job section be given to each employee, so that all may know what has been proposed. Neely says there is no objection to that.

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 Secretary

  
 Chairman

July 22, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Road Commissioners was held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the July 15th meeting were read and approved as read. Engr. Lunde attended meeting in absence of Mgr. who is on vacation.

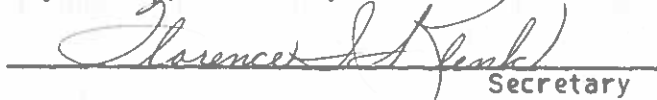
Engr. discusses the Federal Aid program. Asks commission about F.A.S. work for the Village of Fountain; this would be about \$4800. for blacktopping the Fountain Road from west village limits, east to existing street, to a width of 22 feet. Federal Aid would be in the amount of \$2,448, leaving cost to the Village of \$2,449. There must be shoulders put on this road after the completion of the paving, and this is NOT a contract item and would cost approximately \$500. Clerk to make two agreements for this work for the Village of Fountain to sign. If no reasonable bid is received for the paving, the Road Commission will not be obligated to do this work. The bid letter is set for August 10th, 1966.

Call received during this meeting for brine on the roads in Lincoln Lakes Subdivision. Claim they have had none so far this year.

Letter read by Engr. from Arthur DaGre, 717 Darr Rd., Scottville, regarding the Scottville road conditions.

Commission adjourns for lunch and to look over the bridge on the Chauvez Road; do not reconvene. Chairman requests clerk to get reservations for the Am. Road Builders mtg. at Lake Delton, Wisconsin, the 18, 19, 20 and 21st of September, 1966.

Adjourn approximately 4:45 P.M.

  
 Secretary

  
 Chairman

July 29, 1966 - Regular meeting of Road Commissioners held, with all members present.

Ken Stephens, County Surveyor, is in to talk to commission about the Billings Subdiv. plat.

Motion made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss, confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder that the Billings Subdiv. plat be signed. Carried and plat signed.

Mgr. Abrahamson refers to his appointment by the Oceana County Road Commission as their new Engr.-Mgr. Altho' newspaper reports have set the effective date as August 15th, he says his last day would be the 19th unless the commission sets another date. Various comments from the commissioners on this matter. Official resignation will be a matter for the meeting of August 5th.

July 29, 1966 - continued

Commission adjourned at 11 A.M. to look at work in progress. Visited the Chauvez Rd. Bridge job, the Scottville Rd., the Sippy Road where grading is being done in much clay; also inspected the Quarterline Bridge and the Billings Subdiv. at Ford Lake.

Adjourned without reconvening at 4:00 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

August 5, 1966 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Robert Nelson in to discuss road he wants to build into the Shady Pines plat, part of Gov't Lot 3, Section 2, T 18 N, R 18 W, and a part of the North 1/2 of the N 1/2 of the N.E. 1/4 of the N.E. 1/4 in T 18 N, R 18 W, Section 11, of P.M. Twp.

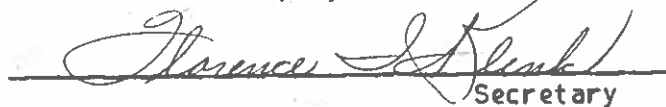
Commission will meet with him on August 12th at 1:30 P.M. to look this location over.

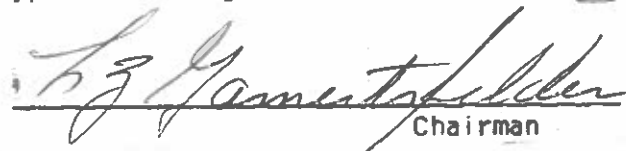
Payroll checks were signed by the chairman and vouchers were reviewed, approved and signed in the amount of \$8,928.82; the voucher for the Ford Trucks was held due to the fact that power steering which was specified for these trucks has not been furnished.

Mgr. says that Twp. Officers' Assoc. would like to have the commissioners meet with them on Oct. 20th, at 8:45 P.M.

Some discussion on the fact that Gust Keson, Shop Foreman, has signed up for heavy equipment apprentice.

Commission adjourned at 11:37 A.M. to go to Bayport with Roger Felton of the Wallace Stone Company.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

August 11, 1966 - (Thursday) - The regular meeting date for Friday, August 12th, was changed to the 11th, and all commissioners were present at this time. Engr. and Secretary also present.

Engr. discussed the bids taken in Lansing on Wednesday, August 10th, on Federal Aid program for Mason and other counties. This bid opening was attended by Engineer Lund and Chairman Gamertsfelder. Bid was awarded jointly to the Globe Construction Co. of Kalamazoo and the Laman Asphalt Co. of Ludington.

Minutes of the August 5th meeting were read and approved as read, with a change in meeting date with Robert Nelson to be this date, Aug. 11th instead of the 12th as scheduled.

Sup. Birdsell of Riverton Twp. was in to request that the Morton Road about 200 feet north from Archie Wadel's be repaired. He says it is worse on the west side, but rough clear across.

Engr. reports that Sup. Maue of Freesoil Twp. wants an estimate on some work 400' south of the Sauble River going east, for a driveway for Don Cameron.

Engr. reports that the R.E.A. has mortgage on the pipeline south of Scottville. Says orders to take this pipeline out are still in verbal stage.

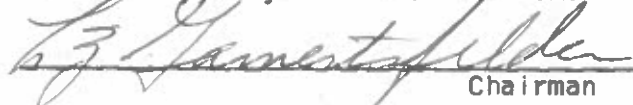
Edward Larsen, Equipment Clerk, came to commission regarding the need for overhauling the motor on No. 26, International truck. There are four trucks in the fleet which use this same motor. Prices quoted him from Grand Rapids are as follows: Stripped engine \$1,589.31; skeleton engine - \$806.24; one head - \$169.82.

His suggestion is that one head from No. 26 be put on the motor in one of the other trucks using this same motor; and since the trucks using this same motor have been in use approximately two years, it is expected that sometime, possibly this winter, the others will also need overhauling. If the present motor on No. 26 was replaced with a stripped engine, or a skeleton engine and one head, then the other motor could be overhauled at Joynt's and have a spare in case of a heavy winter.

Commission says to fix up the one engine in No. 26 only.

Commission adjourned at 11:15 A.M. for lunch and to meet with Robert Nelson. Re-convened in P.M. to make out expense accounts for July; adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

August 19, 1966 - Regular meeting held with all commissioners present. Also present were members of the Road and Bridge Committee, Paul Sherburn, Don Villadsen, Charles Mau, Leo Monton and John Helminiak; also present, Engineer Lunde.

Morning spent touring county with Road and Bridge Committee. Returned to office after lunch.

Motion by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Voss, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that part of the bill of Dittmar-Healy be paid, but that \$1,000. be withheld until the power steering which was specified is installed.

The pumps on the hoists of the new Fords have not been satisfactory, but Engr. reports that Don Nixon, the representative for the Hoekstra Co. promises that they will make them good.

Bills in the amount of \$85,729.10 were reviewed, approved and signed by the Board.

Engineer reads letter from Attorney Claire regarding abandonment of First St., in Hamilton Lake Subdiv. Petition would have to be presented before there is any action by the Road Commission.

Secretary is excused for private discussion by commissioners. Notes of this meeting given to Secretary by Engineer Lunde as follows: -

Motion made by Comr. Arthur Voss, seconded by John Biegalle that Robert E. Lunde be appointed as Engineer-Manager of the Mason County Road Commission, said office to be in immediate effect; also that he shall receive an annual salary of \$10,000 also immediately effective. Motion unanimously passed.

Motion by Comr. John Biegalle, seconded by Arthur Voss that Fred Welsh, now City Manager of Montague, Mich. be hired immediately as Construction Superintendent at a salary of \$7,300.00 per year. Two affirmative votes by Biegalle and Voss; a negative vote by Chairman Gamertsfelder. Chairman wishes to make it a part of the record that his negative vote is for the reason that he believes in promotion within the ranks.

August 19, 1966 - continued

Motion by Comr. Arthur Voss, seconded by John Biegalle, that Ben Coolman be appointed Maintenance Superintendent at an annual salary of \$7,300.00 to take effect immediately. This motion is passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

*Thomson J. Lunde*  
Secretary

*Ed Gamertsfelder*  
Chairman

August 26, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board held with Chairman Gamertsfelder and Comr. Biegalle present; Comr. Voss entered meeting at 10:30 A.M.; also present were Engr.-Mgr. and Secretary.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Mgr. reads letter from County Road Assoc. announcing a meeting to be held on Tues. Sept. 27th, for all Road Commission attorneys, to acquaint them with the road laws and procedures. Lunde contacts John Claire relative to attending this meeting and he is willing to go for travel expenses and meals inasmuch as he feels it will also benefit him to attend.

Mgr. reports that contractor Ben Harrington is hauling sand and filling up a ditch at the Sauble Inn cabins in Hamlin along the blacktop. H ordered them to stop filling up this ditch, but ~~he~~ they did not stop; and he called Claire to notify them further. This is where the former owner wanted to put an overpass and was refused permission, now they want to make a terrace there. Claire called back later and said that this sand hauling had been stopped per owner of cabins, but that now they want to put a culvert in there; asks Lunde to advise what is required.

Commission asks about Fred Welsh of Montague who Mgr. was to contact about the job as Construction Supt. Mgr. says he advised him of necessity of taking physical examination and he had promised to call back but so far had not done so. William Lange also supposed to pick up forms for physical examination.

Motion made by Comr. John Biegalle and supported by Comr. Arthur Voss, that the Bd. of Mason Co. Rd. Comrs. sign the agreement for awarding of the contract to the Globe Construction Co. and Laman Asphalt and Paving Co. at their low bid price of \$108,855.86 for Michigan Projects No. CS-53-23 etc. for the improvement of 13.23 mi. of bit. agg. on Scottville Rd. (FAS 449); FAS Rte 425 from Custer N; Chauvez Rd. (FAS 277 from S. of Scottville W; and on Fountain Rd. (FAS 139) from Fountain West.

Commission adjourns for lunch, and return to meet with Victory Twp. Board. They request that the Peterson Road be raised up with a sand fill. Question was where to obtain the necessary fill sand.

At 3:30 P.M., Union representatives, Earl Neely, Homer Molyneux, William Gordon, and Harry Bedker meet with commission for final review of the contract negotiations. Clerk is instructed to add the definition for Loss of Seniority (2) "He is discharge for cause." This is designated as Page 9-a, Appendix B, and is entered in its entirety from the old working policy.

In addition to the Funeral Leave already granted per agreement, the commission also agree for "also one day funeral leave for GRANDPARENTS, PARENTS-IN-LAW, and GRANDCHILDREN of the Employee."



Agreement then signed effective Sept. 1, 1966, through 6/30/67 by Commissioners Gamertsfelder, Voss and Biegalle, Neely, W. Gordon, H. Molyneux and H. Bedker. Four copies are taken with them for signing by their International President and one copy will be returned for Rd. Commission files.

Clerk informed by Comrs. Biegalle and Voss that the check-off of dues will start in Sept., this first contract being of 10 months duration.

Commission adjourned at 4:26 P.M.

*Lorence A. Lunde*  
Secretary

*E. J. Gamertsfelder*  
Chairman

Sept. 2, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held this date with Commissioners Voss and Biegalle present, with Secretary; Chairman Gamertsfelder absent; Engr.-Mgr. out at site of Branch Twp. bridge emergency.

Minutes of the August 26th meeting were read and approved as read with notation added regarding Victory Twp. Board's request for the Peterson road to be raised.

Commission left to join Engr.-Mgr. at site of the bridge emergency where trucks had broken a hole in same.

After lunch the Sheridan Twp. Board was present, five members present, to discuss the blacktopping of the Round Lake Road.

Motion by John Biegalle, supported by Arthur Voss to purchase necessary steel for new deck over Swan Creek on Scottville Road, from Elten Engineering Co. Delivery must not be later than week of Sept. 15, 1966.

Motion by Comr. Arthur Voss, that any stop signs erected, changed, or altered, shall be done by authority of the County Road Manager and he shall notify the Michigan State Police of each change and effective date; this motion was supported by Comr. Biegalle.

Motion by Biegalle, supported by Voss, to adjourn at 4:00 P.M. (The after lunch minutes were given to Secretary by Engr.-Mgr. Lunde.)

*Lorence A. Lunde*  
Secretary

*E. J. Gamertsfelder*  
Chairman

Sept. 9, -1966 - Regular meeting of the Board of Mason Co. Rd. Comrs. held at Rd. Comm. office with Commissioners Voss and Biegalle present. Commission Chairman Gamertsfelder and Engr.-mgr. Lunde at Tawas Convention of Northern Lower Peninsula Comrs. Convention. Vouchers in the amount of \$7,572.42 were reviewed, approved, and signed by the Board.

Commissioners left at 11:20 A.M. to tour county roads and construction projects.

Commission officially adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

*Lorence A. Lunde*  
Secretary

*E. J. Gamertsfelder*  
Chairman

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Sept. 16, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Road Commissioners was held at the Rd. Comm. office, E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan, with Chairman Gamertsfelder, Comrs. Voss and Biegalle present, as well as Engr.-Mgr. Lunde and Acting Clerk Edward Larsen.

Ken Stephens, County Surveyor was in with preliminary sketch of the Birchwood Hills plat, located south of Summit Park along Lake Michigan. He said Owners would like roads left as now graded and all roads to remain private. Left key with Lunde so Commissioners can go and look at roads. Comrs. decided to meet him there at 2:00 P.M., this date.

Letter read by Mgr. from Stanley Biabak thanking them for fixing drain under his driveway, near Round Lake.

Mrs. Harry Clark from north of Custer, would like "Children Playing" signs put up near her home. Commissioners say that policy is for people to furnish their own "children playing" signs.

Custer Village would like Road Commission to participate in the cost of installation and maintenance of a flasher to be put up at the crossing (railroad) south of the St. Mary's Church.

Ideas were expressed that the light that is now operating on the main street of the Village of Custer (on Custer Road) is on a continuation of a county primary road and so the help the Road Commission gave in having it erected was appropriate, but the lights requested now are not on any continuation of a County Primary Road. Commission expressed disapproval of this request.

Vouchers in the amount of \$1,823.25 approved and signed by the Board.

Edward E. Barthell wrote a letter requesting that his clients be allowed to open up Linden Street in the Hamlin Lake Estates No. 1 plat, at their expense, but would like the Road Commission's requirements for a road to be accepted into the county road system. It was brought out in discussion that Linden St. is platted 40' wide and the street it exits on to the west is Ariel Drive a 25' wide street. Commissioners agreed to manager's suggestion that Grove St. be improved from Linden to Cedar St. so as to keep some of the traffic from the 25' wide Ariel Drive and also that Linden St. be graded, ditched and a 20' width of gravel 4" deep be put on. All of above to be done to their satisfaction before they accept it into the County Road System.

A petition to vacate Elm Lane Alley between Blocks 24 & 25 at North Bayou Resort was read and discussed. Since the petitioners Robert O. Nelson and Oscar Nelson, owned all the lots adjoining this alley, the Road Commissioners decided they would not contest this action in circuit court.

A letter from Frederick M. Welch was read, saying he had accepted a job with the Muskegon County Road Commission and would therefore not be reporting for work at the Mason County Road Commission.

Sherman Township sent in an agreement for work on the Fountain Road. Mgr. Lunde said he would like to insert clause stating. "Due to it being so late in the year, Commission cannot guarantee getting the work done."

It was decided that Victory Twp. should pay for any materials used on patching Victory Drive. Also decided to put double seal over the gravel at Walhalla Bridge.

Prime has been put on some of the roads to be covered with plant-mix blacktop, but plant will most likely start Tuesday. Also, figures are to be compiled for plant-mix to cover gravel at Sauble Bridge on Quarterline Road.

September 16th, 1966 - continued

Duplex Truck Co. has six tires and wheels 1200 x 24 they would sell the Commission for \$50.00 each. Commissioners agreed these should be purchased.

An amendment to the Michigan State Highway Dept. Maint. Contract, "Change of Wage Rates" was signed by Commissioners.

Letter from Highway Dept. about flasher light at US-10 and Nelson Road was read. Total cost of installation was \$689.00 and Road Commission was to pay 1/3 or \$229.67. Comrs. decided Manager is to contact Pere Marquette Twp. and if they are willing to pay 1/3 of the cost of maintenance and electric energy, to go ahead with having this flasher installed.

Manager is authorized to make up specifications and advertise for two pickups; one to be a 3/4 ton pickup with box, and the other a one-ton pickup, without box.

Commissioners were in favor of getting figures for the erection of a storm shed for the front entrance-way.

Adjourned at 11:57 A.M. for lunch, and officially at 2:40 P.M.

Storance J. Klunk  
notes by Larsen entered by Secretary

E. J. Gamertsfelder  
Chairman

September 23, 1966 - Regular meeting held with commissioners Gamertsfelder and Voss present; Comr. Biegalle absent because of illness.

Minutes of the Sept. 16th meeting were read and approved as read. Engr.-Mgr. Lunde requests that clerk send a copy of the minutes concerning the Hamlin Lake Estates Subdiv. No. 1, be sent to Edward Barthell, Ludington attorney.

Letter from Attorney General's Office is read concerning petition of Howard and Marion Hill to vacate 7th and Water St. in Hamlin Lake Resort. October 14th is the date of the hearing on this vacating petition.

Discussion on the insurance audit which has increased the premium on workman's compensation and other coverages because of a new ruling regarding the cutting of trees. It is recommended that a copy of this ruling be obtained to determine whether or not insurance company is entitled to collect this on the 1965 coverage audit, since ruling was made in the spring of 1966 and when insurance was bid on in May 1966, no mention was made of this additional premium for this new coverage.

Commission went with Mgr. Lunde to look over some of the new blacktop on Custer and Fountain Road.

Adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Storance J. Klunk  
Secretary

E. J. Gamertsfelder  
Chairman

Sept. 30, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held this date with all commissioners present. Minutes of the Sept. 23rd meeting were read and approved as read.

Mgr. Lunde presents letter from Dale Gibbs, Sec.-Treas. of the Birchwood Hills Assoc. Inc. regarding their subdivision in Summit Twp., and requesting that the Road Comm. inform them as to acceptance of their road on a private basis so they may proceed with their survey. They state they do not anticipate ever dedicating this road, but would sign an instrument stating that they would put the road up to the required specifications if such request was ever made.

Engr. Lunde suggests that this matter be discussed with the Summit Twp. Supervisor, then request a meeting with the owners or some representative of this Association. Manager made a date with representatives from this Association over the phone for the 7th of October, the next regular commission meeting.

Mgr. Lunde also presented the preliminary sketch of proposed plat on Long Lake to be called Walhalla Shores, by Carl Carlson, Flint, Michigan. This plat shows 328 lots, most of which are 60 ft. lots, S 1/2 of S.E. 1/4 in Sec. 10, and part of Gov't Lot 3 in Sec. 10, T 18 N, R 15 W., Branch Twp., Mason County.

Comr. Biegalle reports that County Sanitarian, Milo Wilson, is concerned with the saturation possibilities of this Subdiv., due to restricted lake frontage and how far back on land these lots extend. Letter to be addressed to the owners of this proposed plat, with request for sketch showing contours of the roads before further consideration.

Discussion on the complaints received from irate travelers who ignored the 'fresh tar' signs on the south Scottville road and travelled thereon too fast. Report signs were up before the tar distributor ever started the work, therefore the obligation lies with the people who ignored the signs.

Discussion on getting a new box for pickup that Gilmore and Fredericks are driving.

Mgr. Lunde mentions night school classes for mechanics which are to be held in Ludington beginning Oct. 25th, for 2 hours a night for 6 weeks. This course would be \$33.00 per person and will have an instructor from Ferris Institute to discuss electrical problems and repairs on alternators and the use of analyzers. This is being sponsored by Brody Auto Parts Co. in Ludington. Commission says to talk to mechanics and see who would be interested in attending these classes on their own time and with their own transportation.

Mgr. reports that Don Cable has put a cable across the road leading to his property; this is a certified county road and the cable must be removed. Commission to look into this, as same situation has occurred previously.

Comr. Biegalle reports urging of Jim Baker for an answer to road he wants fixed. Some work was done on it, but how much is not known, commission to look at this also.

P.M. Twp. wants estimate on the Hesselund road. Engr. Lunde is to meet with them on Nov. 5th relative to setting up a program. Eden Twp. also wants to get some gravel on some of their roads.

Comr. Voss reports blading needed on the Benedict along side of his place. Gravel was dumped there in a hole, but not levelled off; Deren Road also needs levelling; and the Brye Road from Meisenheimer to Hawley is very rough.

Discussion on a change in status of Gust Keson to a salary. Commission authorizes Mgr. to offer him \$6500. at present and check how much overtime would be involved when on salary with a possible increase later on if overtime and performance warrants same.

Sept. 30, 1966 - continued

Elliott Harmon of Globe Construction Co. wants to produce some aggregate mixture for Manistee County, using our gravel. Approximately 200 cu. yds. would be necessary. The present contract with Globe quotes this cost as \$1.40 per 3000# to cu. yd., which would be approximately \$2.10 per cu. yd. Some question by commissioners as to selling gravel when there is a shortage of same, but feel that 200 yards would not matter one way or the other.

Motion by Comr. Voss, supported by Biegalle, and confirmed by Gamertsfelder, to sell this aggregate to Manistee County at a price of \$1.40 per ton for mixture produced.

Mason Co. Central School wants some work done on a road east of the school with the scarifier and then levelled off. The commission decide this work can be done on a Saturday, with the school paying the operator directly and a bill being sent to the school for the equipment rental plus overhead.

After lunch the bids for gasoline and diesel were opened at 2:00 P.M. with the following results: -

GASOLINE -	Blarney Castle Texaco -	0.1375 per gal.	no disc. quoted.
	Leonard Refineries	0.1203 per gal.	1% 30 days.
	Standard Oil -	0.1164 per gal.	1% 30 days (firm)
	Mobil Oil	0.1160 per gal.	1% 30 days

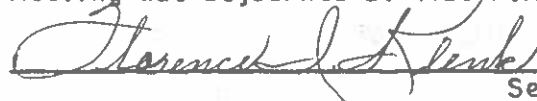
DIESEL -	Blarney Castle -	No. 1 - .125 per gal.	No. 2 - .115 per gal.
	Leonard Refineries	" .1203 per gal.	" .1103 "
	Standard Oil -	.1135 per gal. (1% - 30 days)	(Manufactured dual purpose fuel)

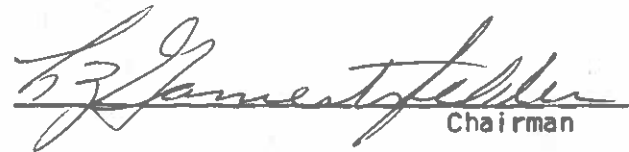
Motion by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss, confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder, that the bid of the Standard Oil for manufactured dual purpose fuel, at a price of .1135 per gal, a firm bid, with 1% 30 days. This was the low bid.

Motion by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss, confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder, to accept the low bid of the Mobil Oil Co., for regular gasoline at 11.60¢ per gal., F.O.B. Scottville, with discount of 1% 30 days.

(Both of the above accepted bids are for the period of Oct. 1, 1966 to March 31, 1967)

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Chairman

Oct. 7, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board was held this date with all members present, together with Mgr. Lunde and Secretary Klenk.

Minutes of the Sept. 30, 1966 meeting were read and approved as read.

Leo Sobanski, Supervisor of Hamlin Twp. was present to request his road projects for 1967 as follows: -

1. Double seal on 1/2 mile south of South Hamlin School, Lincoln Road.
2. Double seal on 1/2 mile east of Jebavy on Ehler Road.
3. Double seal on short road on south side of Middle Bayou, Eleventh Street.
4. Re-seal parts of Piney Ridge Road.
5. Re-seal Barnhart Road from store, west.
6. Grade and gravel parts of Beaune Road.
7. Grade and gravel, or just gravel into Grand View Subdiv. about 200 ft., starting at Lincoln in Bridges Resort.
8. Gravel west end of Duneview to within 25 ft. of Lake; should be wise so there is parking for fishermen.
9. Unfinished project at Hamlin Lake Park, Upper Lake; roll up shoulder and gravel entrance.

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10. Wants two signs on Decker Road, about 1/2 mile or mile each way from school; caution signs about children walking on roadway.

Sobanski, also asks what the decision was on filling of the ditch on Sauble Inn property, lower Hamlin Lake road. Mgr. said they had ordered <sup>them</sup> to stop this work, and they had said they would do so, advised Attorney Claire that they would put in a culvert and wanted Engr. Mgr. Lunde to advise them what size to put in. Sobanski reports that they did not stop and that the ditches are filled and Mgr. is to check on this further.

Sobanski also comments on the petition of the Wills on vacating a street in Hamlin Resort, and inquires as to the status of the Modeweg plat from which he says Modeweg has already sold lots. The April 29th, 1966 minutes of the Board show that Mgr. abrahamson was to see Attorney Claire about abandonment procedures; no report was received on the matter, but Sobanski has sample of a resolution prepared by someone and presented to him regarding the abandonment of the road in question. Mgr. says description on same is such that the property could not possibly be located.

Also discussed the Grant Schaffer property on Duneview going west on north Bayou; Sumac Road is only 40'; Duneview is on 50', both crowded. Sumac should be gravelled and put into a travelable condition. Twp. is satisfied with the plat if the plat board approves. Mgr. to advise Schaffer by letter that road commissioners have studied proposed plat and they will accept it with the following stipulations: -

- (1) That Schaffer grade and gravel Sumac Street to a width of 20 feet; that he grade and gravel Duneview from Lakeshore Drive, west to Sumac Road;
- (2) And that he also provides a turn-around at the end of Sumac Road.

James Baker in; wants ditches cleaned out and road raised up so water won't stand there. He says it would only take about 1/2 days work. Chairman Gamertsfelder says he favors grading this up.

Bids for tire chains are opened at 11:00 A.M.: -

Brody Bros. Ludington - bid Peerless chains at a total of \$1,080.00 per specification

Reedsburg Hdwe. of Wisconsin - Bid Northern States Custom built chains at \$907.02 (they pay freight and promise 1 to 2 weeks delivery)

Northern Culvert Co. - bid Weed American Chains at - \$899.32

Contractors Machinery Co. - 1,023.29

Hyde Equipment - bid Peerless chains at 1,125.90 gross with 1% 10 da discount or net of 1,114.64

Birchwood Plat owners, Dale Gibbs and Martin Loring were in to discuss their plat in Summit Twp., they have aerial map of same; they state they definitely do NOT want a public road in this plat.

Motion by Biegalle, supported by Voss and confirmed by Gamertsfelder to approve the aerial preliminary plan of the proposed road into Birchwood Hills plat to be centered on a 66-foot R.O.W. subject to township acceptance; and this is definitely to be a private road.

Discussion on Walhalla Shores plat, Biegalle reports that County Sanitarian Milo Wilson requests that nothing be done on this plat until he talks to the Road Commission.

Mgr. reports that Gust Keson, Shop Foreman, wants overtime in addition to the \$6500. a year salary offered by the commission. Clerk requested to compile 1966 overtime record thus far for next meeting.

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Mgr. to find out from Smith and ~~xxx~~ Eddy Ins. Agency, just what our building insurance covers now that heating system has been changed. Bill from Emmett Briggs for boiler insurance renewal for 3 years, held up pending information on whether or not this is needed. Tank car heater is no longer used, and heating has been converted to gas. Mgr. checks this with Smith and Briggs and policy is returned to Briggs for cancellation.

Motion made by Voss, supported by Biegalle and confirmed by Gamertsfelder that 65 miles of blacktop be ~~xx~~ centerline painted per bid of 1966 from Keith Clark at \$44.00 per mile plus beads and yellow paint.

Motion by Biegalle, supported by Voss, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that the low bid of the Northern Culvert Company be accepted for tire chain requirements for the winter of 1966-1967.

Adjourned at 4:30 P.M. after making inspection tour with engineer-manager.

*Therence J. Kunkel*  
Secretary

*Arthur Voss*  
Vice Chairman

Oct. 14, 1966 - Regular meeting of road commissioners held on this date with all commissioners, manager and secretary present.

Charles Stewart, Summit Twp. Supervisor, present for discussion of several matters: -

1. Stewart asked about the deed showing the 20-foot easement granted by Archie Walters and wife giving access to waters edge. His question was which side of Montgomery Blvd. is this easement on, and the answer was the NORTH side.
2. Wants estimate on double seal on the Anthony Road which was just graded and gravelled this year.
3. There are three lots deeded to the township at the outlet to Bass Lake; he wants a survey made so that he can get a description of it.
4. Birchwood Hills - Stewart feels that if the road is acceptable to the board, it would be better to have this land platted than not.
5. Frank Brye has 40 acres and cannot get to it, wants Beaune Road extended to provide access to this property. There are a few trees there to be knocked out.

Minutes of the Oct. 7th meeting were read and approved as read with minor correction re Mile Wilson meeting with Road Commission rather than the Twp. Board regarding Walhalla Shore Subdivision.

Mgr. Lunde has discussed our building insurance with Smith of Smith and Eddy Agency, and has concluded that a boiler insurance policy is no longer necessary. Car tank heater no longer used; boiler in basement no longer in use; and the only other pressure item is the steam Jenny in the shop, however this is NOT covered by the building insurance. Mgr. is to notify Briggs to cancel this boiler policy which he renewed as of 10/12/66 without authority from commissioners. The heating system which is now a hot water system is covered on the building insurance coverage.

Commissioners signed a release of the Road Commission's R.O.W. for the old Piney Ridge Road in Hamlin Township described as "the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of the Southeast Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) and the Southwest Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of the Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ), Section 33, T 19 N, R 18 W,". Signatures are notarized by clerk.

October 14, 1966 - continued

Bids on the Pickups and extra box were opened at 11:00 A.M.

Motion was made by Comr. Voss, supported by Comr. Biegalle, to buy Utility Body, a Reading 108 SW from Hoekstra Equipment Company of G.R. for \$840.00, painted and installed. This motion was confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder.

Pickup bids are to be tabulated and considered at the next meeting, at which time they will be listed.

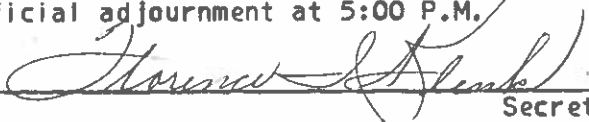
Motion is made by Voss, supported by Biegalle, confirmed by Gamertsfelder, to sign the State Hwy. Maintenance contract for the calendar year of 1967, for maintenance of the Sta Highway Trunklines within the county of Mason, and to designate Robert E. Lunde, as Hwy. Maint. Supt.,; Harry Brankert as State Highway Maint. Foreman, and Ben Coolman as Assistant Highway Maint. Supt. Contract is signed by the three commissioners.

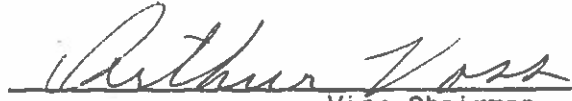
Mgr. Lunde recommends that Kenneth Gilmore be promoted to the job of Bridge Foreman, as h is now doing the work and assuming the responsibility formerly assumed by Ben Coolman who is now County Maintenance Superintendent. The commissioners unanimously agree to this proposal, and this is to be effective October 24, 1966.

Discussion on Gust Keson, Shop Foreman. Mgr. reports that Keson still wants \$6500. in salary plus overtime on an hourly basis. Mgr. reports having had some discussion with Employees Committee during the week, but no report on contents of same. Mgr. instructed again contact Keson, advise him definitely what responsibility will be his as shop foreman and report to the commission at the next meeting.

Motion made by Comr. Voss, supported by Biegalle, and confirmed by Gamertsfelder, that balance of Robert Wing's vacation which Mrs. Wing says is for 6 days, should be paid to Elizabeth Wing, the widow of Robert Wing. Some set-up should be installed whereby salaried employees vacation will be of record, not previously kept.

Adjourned meeting to inspect double seal work and Walhalla Bridge, etc. at 3:20 P.M.  
Official adjournment at 5:00 P.M.

  
Secretary

  
Vice Chairman

October 21, 1966 - Regular meeting held this date with all commissioners, manager and secretary present. Minutes of the 14th of Oct. read and approved as read.

Milo Wilson still wants to meet with the commission but could not make this meeting, he has already met with the Township Board.

Comr. Biegalle reports that Chas. Stewart, Supervisor of Summit Twp. says the stop signs are down at the corner of Meisenheimer and Lakeshore Drive.

Mgr. Lunde recommends that bids be taken on gravel production for 10,000 yards; this production to take place in Jones Pit while commission crew would be working another in the south end of the county, or vice versa. No decision on this.

After studying the following tabulation: - (bids on 1 ton pickup with cab and chassis)

Urka -	\$2,094.52	Chev.
Thiel -	2,095.00	GMC
Steingraber -	2,129.90	Dodge
Dittmar Healy Ford	2,149.00	Ford.
		(with on 3/4 ton pickup with box)
Urka - Chev.	2,248.40	
Thiel - G.M.C.	2,145.00	
Steingraber- Dodge	2,261.77	
Dittmar-Healy Ford	2,270.00	



Motion is made by Comr. Biegalle, supported by Comr. Voss, confirmed by Gamertsfelder that the two (2) pickups be purchased of Howard E. Thiel and Son; the 3/4 ton pickup with box at a price of \$2,145.00, and the one (1) ton pickup without box, at \$2,095.00 both pickups to be delivered in approximately 45 to 60 days.

Mgr. presents written grievance report from Earl Langfeldt regarding the delay in naming the successful bidder for the job of apprentice on Heavy Equipment. This has been pending decision about Keson staying in the shop, as he was the bidder with most seniority for the apprentice heavy equipment operator. Keson wants to stay in the shop with a salary of \$7,000. with authority to direct employees and with backing by the commission. He will be Suptinent in the shop.

Motion by Comr. John Biegalle, supported by Arthur Voss, and confirmed by Chairman Gamertsfelder that Gust Keson be granted a salary of \$7,000. per year with no extra remuneration for any necessary overtime, and have complete charge of shop operations under the management.

Discussion on the Langfeldt grievance, and job openings at the present time. Mgr. report there are tandem truck and blade truck openings now. Discussion on the 30 day trial period in regard to heavy equipment apprentice. Mgr. reports there are tandem truck and blade truck openings now. Discussion on the 30 day trial period in regard to heavy equipment apprentice. Mgr. reports that Keson has been removed from the apprenticeship schedule and that Earl Langfeldt is the successful bidder for the apprenticeship.

Mgr. reads letter from Pros. Attorney David Betz, stating that Howard and Marion Wills have withdrawn petition to vacate 7th St. in Hamlin Subdiv, and will only request that that part of Water Street previously indicated by vacated.

Mgr. reports that the Sauble Inn owner who filled the ditch there against orders from the Road Commission, will clean out the ditch, but feels that the county should help him on this; commission says, 'Nothing doing', he filled it and he should fix it'.

Agreement for Victory Twp. signed for gravel in various locations as indicated thereon

Adjourned at 4:00 P.M. after tour of inspection.

*Lorence A. Klenk*  
Secretary

*Arthur Voss*  
Vice Chairman

Oct. 28, 1966 - Regular meeting date, but only Commissioner Voss present, as Chairman Gamertsfelder and Comr. Biegalle are ill and in the hospital. Comr. Gamertsfelder signed the payroll checks before going to the hospital, and bills were not vouchered for this meeting.

Comr. Voss and Engr.-Mgr. Lunde went to inspect roads, etc. at Buttersville, In P.M. Twp., the Sheridan Twp. grading job, the Budzynski Road; the new Shoup Subdivision in Bonny Belmont, Section 16 of Branch Twp.

*Lorence A. Klenk*  
Secretary

*Arthur Voss*  
Vice Chairman

Nov. 4, 1966 - Also a regular meeting date but only Comr. Voss present, with Gamertsfelder and Biegalle still hospitalized.

Clerk asks verification of raise granted to Kenneth Gilmore as Bridge Foreman, and also status of Earl Langfeldt. Mgr. and Comr. Voss state that Kenneth Gilmore was to have the Heavy Equipment rate and Earl Langfeldt as Heavy Equipment apprentice also to have \$2.25 per hour, both rates to be effective as of 10/24/66.

Comr. Voss signed the agreement amending State Hwy. Contract effective August 19, 1966 for the change in designation of Maint Supt. on State Trunkline Hwys. to Robert E. Lunde, now Engr.-Mgr.

Commissioner Voss and Engr.-Mgr. Lunde toured roads in the afternoon.

Nov. 11, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board held this date with all commissioners present together with Mgr. and Secretary. Vouchers signed for the 4th and 11th bills; amendment to state contract regarding change in Hwy. Supt. being named. Agreements also signed for Eden and Branch Twp. Work. Minutes of previous meetings read and approved.

Mgr. asks commission approval of building up screening plant by Jerry Baker, of the Automatic Roller Rebuilding Co. of Cadillac. This would be about \$300. or \$400; commission gives unanimously approval.

Ltr. read by Mgr. requesting stop signs at all railroad crossings from the C. & O Ry, (Mgr. wants to know if commission desires to set up a pattern on some of the busier crossings, work on a limited basis; will study this before definite action.

Sketch of Schaeffer Subdiv. regarding turn-around on Sumac Avenue, in Admiral Point Subdiv., Hamlin Twp. Commission says he must have a 50' in addition to the 40' street which will make a 90' (diameter) turn-around.

Mgr. reports that the Don Shoup Subdiv., in Sec. 16 of Branch Twp., has been gravelled this week; there is a street name to change.

Discussion on how to acquire some needed gravel. Mgr. wants to change his previous request of contracting for 10,000 cu. yds. to be produced, to 20,000 yds. to be delivered into the yard.

Discussion on price of gravel to be used from Tubbs Stockpile. Make basic charge about \$1.70. Mgr. mentions that Beckman Bros. of Shelby have a stockpile in southern part of county, approximately 4000 yds. which might be obtained for \$1.05 per cu. yd. Commission says to get this gravel.

Supervisor Hubbell of Amber Twp. in, wants double seal on  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles of Hansen Road from Crystal Lake out to Stiles Road.

Max Blohm has some gravel in Sheridan Twp. off Millerton Road; wants to know if Road Commission wants to go in there; Mgr. reports testing this on top of the hill with the jeep; and boys dug in at bottom and found some pretty fair stuff; he has about 3000 yds. and wants 20¢ per yard and for the road commission to make the road. Commission says "NO", too small an amount, and would cost too much in time and money.

Mgr. asks commission approval of the purchase of a map cabinet, a 15-drawer cabinet would be about \$440.; Motion by Voss, supported by Biegalle and confirmed by Gamertsfelder to purchase this cabinet.

Mgr. says regarding the barricades on the Cable road; two barricades were up; one in now open, and one still up. Cable and some of his neighbors, the Custer Twp. Board and Attorney Claire and Cables' attorney Stapleton, to come in afterlunch for a mtg with the commission.

Nov. 11, 1966 - continued.

At the meeting in the afternoon, only ones present were Cable, Stapleton, Claire, Leo Monton and Robert Lunde, no commissioners present.

Cable was ordered to take down the barricades across the road.

Florence A. Klenk  
Secretary

Arthur Voss  
Vice Chairman

Nov. 18, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board of Road Comrs. held this date with Commissioner Voss and Biegalle present; Gamertsfelder absent by reason of illness; also present were Mgr. and Secretary.

Mgr. reports that the Beckman gravel stockpile is orally "sewed up" and for all practical purpose is ours; Beckman wants to sell this in a lump sum when the amount of gravel therein is determined.

TenBrock of McPherson Contractors would like \$700. for that tar distributor which was left here and which road commission has been using to some extent. Some clogging encountered when used with emulsion. Commission says use it while it is here and if this fault can be remedied then decide about purchasing same.

Mgr. reads letter from Homer Molyneux who wants to meet with commission on Friday, Nov. 25th, to discuss a leave of absence as he is going to California, and two weeks vacation would not be enough time.

Mgr. reports regarding information received over the telephone from Earl Rogers of the County Road Assoc. in Lansing. This information as given was not concise and not understood by the secretary who asked for clarification as to meaning. It appears that the Road Commission should ascertain that their insurance coverage is sufficient to and specific designation is made to the effect that same covers liability on privately owned gaslines within the county of Mason. No written confirmation received on this.

Mgr. reads notice of abandonment which Gavigan has prepared on the Dostal matter in Hamlin Lake Subdiv. for publication in the Mason County Press for three issues for the hearing to be held on the 16th day of December.

Discussion on the new maps to be printed as soon as possible. Commission study proof, and decide 10,000 should be ordered since the second 5000 would only cost \$175.00 more than the first \$5000; or a total of \$864.30, whereas only \$5000. would cost \$688.75. These are to be issued as of Jan. 1, 1967 with the names of Arthur Voss, John Biegalle and Ivan Morse on them. Comr. Voss to get some pictures for the outside mailing surfa

Mgr. asks policy on work for townhalls and cemeteries. Supervisor of Twp. must call and request this work, and same has to be paid for. He requests opinion on the amount to charge for gravel on cemeteries, and Commissioner Voss and Biegalle say it should be the same as charged the twps. on the roads.

More discussion on getting bids for gravel producing by contractors. Mgr. thinks perhaps at this time of year some favorable bids would be received.

Adjourned at noon for lunch and did not reconvene in the office; adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Florence A. Klenk  
Secretary

Arthur Voss  
Vice Chairman

Nov. 25, 1966 - Regular meeting held this date with Comrs. Voss and Biegalle present. Minutes of the Nov. 18th meeting read and approved with correction regarding report by Manager on the angles involved in assuring the Road Commission protection involved with the private gas lines being installed in Mason County in Victory Twp.

Willis Cogle, Zola Cogle, and Bertha Balcom, were in to get the information on requirements for installing and maintaining a gas line to their properties from a gas well.

This discussion regarding the agreement form which had been used led to a general discussion of the previous requests and agreements which had already been signed. It appears that the insurance from Oleniczak and Peterson are in the required amounts as to property damage, \$50,000. but the agreement form is in error only stating \$10,000. for property damage. In the case of Whitakers, neither an agreement nor an insurance certificate have been received, only a card form showing premium paid but not what the coverages are. However the latest policy issued to the Oleniczak's did not bear an endorsement or indication that the Mason Co. Rd. Commission was to be co-insured on this policy. Comr. Biegalle called Briggs Ins. Agency and they said an endorsement to this effect would be sent immediately.

Leo Monton, Sup. of Custer Twp. was in regarding the check which their Treas. had written in the amount of \$9,255.46 to the Road Commission and which he later informed the clerk that the funds to back same were not as yet available since it was in certificate of deposit on which a 30 day notice was required. Clerk instructed by commissioners to hold this check for at least 30 days or until the funds are deposited to make it good. Comr. Biegalle checks with Scottville bank regarding the 30 day notice and they say that one may call for this money on the due date or within ten days of the date it matured, but after that it is automatically renewed and then the 30 day notice holds. The Custer money is in a Ludington bank and same rules may not apply there. Monton to check on this and notify clerk if they were able to get the funds released so the check will be good as of Monday, November 28th.

Homer Molyneux, employee, is in to request a leave of absence for 60 days beginning the 1st of Jan. 1967 and ending 2/28/67; he is taking his vacation as of the last two weeks of December and wants to go to California and that will not be time enough for this trip. Commissioners grant this 60 day leave of absence; he wants to leave his vacation pay as coverage for the Blue Cross premiums and Pension payments which occur during his absence; as to union dues, he will ask them for a waiver for the 60 days, and his name should then NOT appear on the dues invoices rendered during this time.

Also from the Custer Twp. Board an excerpt from their 11/21/66 meeting was the following "Article VIII: Moved by A. Barclay and supported by N. Riisberg; that all certified, secondary, and/or roads established by adverse possession in Custer Township shall remain open at all times. The Mason County Road Commission has authority to maintain these roads."

Motion by Voss, supported by Biegalle to order 6 units of 5 T AC-510 Talk-A-phone Masters and 9911-11 conductor Talk-A-Phone cable; the master sets are \$55.00 each; cable is \$170.00 per 1000'.

Commissioners and Mgr. adjourn for lunch and do not reconvene. Adjourn at 4:00 P.M.

Florence J. Frank  
Secretary

Arthur Voss  
Vice Chairman

Dec. 2, 1966 - Regular meeting of the Board of Mason Co. Rd. Comrs. was held this date with Comrs. Voss and Biegalle present; Comr. Gamertsfelder hospitalized; also present were Mgr. and Secretary. Comr. appointee Ivan Morse also present at this meeting.

Minutes of the Nov. 25, 1966 meeting were read and approved as read, with correction by Mgr. regarding the price of the intercoms; these had been quoted as \$46.25, but were not the ones which were wanted; these are \$55.00 each.

Leo Sobanski of Hamlin Twp. was in with Hamlin's program for 1967: Estimates have been made up on the following:

1. Lincoln Road - 1/2 mi. from Jagger to Decker Road; grading, drg., clear and grub; \$1600; gravel surfacing 500 cu. yds. at \$2.80, \$1400.; asphalt double seal (cost of materials only plus overhead, \$1274. (Extra right of way beyond the 33 feet will be required to properly grade this 1/2 mile. No allowance has been made for re-setting any fences that may be in the grading area.)
2. Ehler Road - 1/2 mile from Jebavy to Beaune Road - Additional gravel - 500 yds. @ \$2.80 as required; \$1400; asphalt double seal (cost of materials only plus OH) \$1274.
3. Eleventh St., in Middle Bayou - 500 lineal feet; gravel surfacing, approx. 280 yds \$280.00; double seal, (cost of materials only plus OH) \$240.
4. Reseal parts of Piney Ridge Road - single seal - Twp. cost \$462.00 per mile.
5. Reseal Barnhardt Road from the store west to the end of the road, 3700 feet - \$324.

Also, a little feathering out is needed on the road going into the park.  
Some Maintenance work to be done on the Beaune Road and in Grand view Subdiv.

Leo Monton, Sup. of Custer Twp. was in to assure commission that funds are now in the bank backing up the check previously issued without a sufficient balance on hand. Clerk had verified this with Twp. Treasurer and also with Miss Peterson, Cashier of the Ludington National Bank who had arranged the adjustment of the certificates of deposit to be available, by having Treas. sign a Certificate of Necessity.

Comr. Voss reports that Sup. Ingersoll of P.M. Twp. has reported to him that Dow Chemical has asked that Road Commission hire the City of Ludington to care for 6th street. Commission feels that Rd. Commission should continue to take care of this and will run night crew in on this street.

Mgr. Lunde brings up the daily calls from Dr. Kellawan and his wife requesting daily snow plowing to their residence at Goose Neck Lake. Commission says send him a letter reaffirming their policy as of Feb. 5, 1965 when this matter was an issue last winter.

Bids to be placed advertising for gravel in the vicinity of the present Beckman Stkple in Grove Taylor Pit and also on production of gravel in ~~the~~ Rd. Comm. and other pits.

Mgr. reports that Dittmar-Healy is asking for the balance of their money on the trucks which were delivered without the specified power-steering and from which \$1,000. was withheld when payment was made pending the addition of this feature. Comr. Biegalle makes motion to pay this balance as power steering is now on; this motion was supported by Vice Chairman Voss.

Howard Thiel is also asking for payment on the two pickups; one has been received, and one is in Grand Rapids, getting the box on; no invoices have been received for either. Mgr. to check on the one in G.R.

Commissioners adjourned for lunch and then checked snow conditions on county roads with the Mgr. Adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

*Lorence J. Kent*  
Secretary

*Arthur Voss*  
Vice Chairman

Dec. 9, 1966 -- Regular meeting held this date with commissioners Voss and Biegalle present; Comr. appointee Ivan Morse, Mgr. and Secretary also present.

Minutes of the 12/2/66 meeting were read and approved as read.

Mgr. reports that the crew would like to work during the noon 1/2 hour lunch period on Dec. 23rd and then come in at 2 P.M. for the Christmas party. Commission agreed to permit this.

Commission accepted the low bid of 41¢ per pound for 55 turkey for Christmas, these were bid by Schoenberger's Mkt. as Grade A Dutch Made brand turkeys. Other bids had been received from Bonser and Don Sanders on the Feather Acres brand at 44¢ per lb.; and from Lyons Food Market on the Honey Suckle Brand, also at 44¢ per pound.

Clerk then called Schoenberger to place the order and was informed that the deadline for his order for this brand and price was Dec. 8th and therefore it would be another brand at 44¢ this change was refused and the order was placed with Bonser for 55 Feather Acre turkeys at 44¢ per pound as he was the first bidder at that price and brand is known to be good. Tickets will be issued to each employee and they will pick up ~~xx~~ their own at the store on the 22nd of Dec.

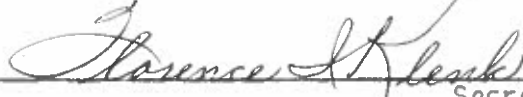
Mgr. informed the commission that James Miller, is quitting and due to Edel's death and illness of Harry Brankert, the crew is very short. State requests a 24-hour watch

Mgr. to advertise for bids for snow plow for front end loader. Discussion on sanders; Mgr. reports four sanders now ready to go, but during the blizzard and sleet-storm this type of equipment was down to two. Would like to buy another sander. Also discusses the possibility of putting up a pole barn adjacent to the main building for storage of the motorgraders to make the equipment in the garage more accessible for different types of equipment needed.

Commission adjourned for lunch and returned at 2 P.M. to meet with Don Villadsen of Sherman Twp., and Charles Hubbell of Amber Twp.

Adjourned at 3:10 P.M to inspect bridge over Swan Creek on the South Scottville Road.

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Secretary

  
Vice Chairman

Dec. 16, 1966 -- The regular meeting of the Bd. of Rd. Comrs. was held this date with Comrs. Voss and Biegalle present; Chairman Gamertsfelder still hospitalized; Ivan Morse, commissioner appointee present; also Mgr. and Sec'y.

Minutes of the Dec. 9, 1966 meeting were read and approved as read.

Mgr. reports that in the matter of taking bids for a snow-plow for front end loader; the Caterpillar Co. has one they will furnish, a V-plow, for \$990.00 F.O.B. Scottville

Per phone call during the meeting, Attorney John Claire reports that he has collected the \$93.05 owing to the Road Comm. by Bruce Wadel for the culvert put in at their plan in 1961. This had previously been turned over to the prosecuting attorney, but no action had been taken by him.

Mgr. reports quotation from the Miller Equipment Co. on a demonstrator Sicard Sander mounted on a 1966 B-660 Dodge truck, which they will sell for a total price of \$6,352.00; which is \$2,250. for the sander and \$4,102.00 for the truck; this unit has electrical hydraulic cab controls.

Motion by Biegalle, supported by Voss that bids be requested for a truck and sander similar to those quoted by the Miller Equipment Co.

Mgr. reports an approximate amount of \$16,247.00 due from the Globe Construction Co.

Discussion on the quotation from the Garn Glass Co., of Cadillac, Michigan, for the new front entrance; they will take out the front doors and replace them with aluminum doors for \$730.00; also discuss a new window for timekeepers office which is too cold for employee when wind is blowing. This will be an insulated glass. Commission approves this renovation procedure.

Two bids are received and opened at 11:00 A.M., on the request for approximately 5,000 cu. yds. of gravel, of 22-A modified grade, to be located in or near Sec. 34, of Logan Twp. Bid received from Beckman Bros. of the Shelby Tractor Sales, for approx. 4,872 yards of gravel in stock-pile at the Grove Taylor's Pit, bid in at a total price of \$5,100., a little less than \$1.05 per yard; second bid received from the Towns Trucking Co. for gravel stockpiled in the Cooper Pit located in the N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 22, Logan Twp., at a price of \$1.25 per yd.

Motion by Biegalle, and supported by Voss, that the bid of the Beckman Bros. of Shelby for 4,872 yds. of gravel at a total price of \$5,100. be accepted, as it is the low bid.

Discussion on the specifications of the bids being requested for production of gravel in the Jones Pit and also for gravel to be produced in pits other than those leased by the Road Commission.

Consumers Power request permit to cut trees. Commissioners signed these blanket permits for 1967 for the maintenance tree trimming as previously agreed in other years.

Motion by Biegalle, supported by Voss, (pursuant to a phone call to the Branch Twp. Supervisor William Shoup, who affirmed that the Twp. Board had approved the Alpine Village plat) to sign the plat known as Alpine Village, being the S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , of Section 16, T 18 N, R 15 W, Branch Twp., Mason County, Michigan.

At a hearing of the petition to close a portion of Front Street, in Hamlin Twp., described as follows: - "Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot Four (4), Block Fifty-three (53), HAMLIN LAKE RESORT; thence West on a westerly extension of the South boundary of Tenth Street to the East boundary of Lot Ten (10), Block Sixty (60) of said Plat; thence Southerly along the Easterly boundary of Lot 10 of Block 60 and Lot Five (5) of Block Fifty-Five (55) to the Southeast corner of Lot 5, Block 55, of said Plat; thence Easterly to the Southwest corner of Lot One (1), Block Fifty-four (54), of said Plat; then Northerly along the East boundary of Front Street to said Northwest corner of Tenth Street, the place of beginning." said hearing had been set for Friday, Dec. 16th at 1:30 P.M. at which time the commission was in session until 2 P.M., and inasmuch as no one appeared to object to said closing of this street, be it known that upon motion by Comr. John Biegalle, supported by Vice Chairman Arthur Voss, be it resolved that it is to the best interests of the public that the above described portion of Front St., in the plat of Hamlin Lake Resort, Hamlin Twp., Mason County, Michigan, be absolutely abandoned and discontinued.

Comr. Voss presented a petition which had been brought to him by Clarence Rathbun, signed by the residents of the Scottville Road, south of the Chauvez Road in Eden Twp. This petition was signed with 104 names, stating - "We, the undersigned, wish to petition the Mason County Road Commission to do something about the bridge over Swan Creek, south of Scottville, and to repair the road so it will be possible for traffic to move.

We feel that the management used very poor judgment in tearing out the bridge that last in the season and not putting enough crew on to repair the bridge so traffic could go through during the winter.

We feel that every effort should be made to make this road passable as it is causing a big hardship, loss of pay to working men, and is a safety hazard in case of emergency.



The commissioners feel that this petition was unwarranted as they did not come in and ask what the intentions were regarding this situation before presenting this petition, and the commission resents the allegations made therein. The Commission request that Mgr. make reply to this petition by letter, as follows -

"Reference is made to the undated petition received relative to the bridge over Swan Creek on the Scottville road containing some one hundred signatures which was presented to the commission in which it is cited that it was poor judgment to take out the bridge at this late date and also in which they request that every effort be made to make the road passable as present condition is causing great hardship to the neighborhood.

The board takes exception to these allegations in view of the fact that when the bridge was torn out for replacement it was not known that we would be hampered by a week long blizzard which would shut this job down. It is to be noted that on this date the bridge work was finished, the north approach has been filled and the work of levelling the south approach to the bridge will be completed late today, and that the crew will be working on the 17th to finish this work and haul off the rough asphalt, thereby making the road entirely passable."

Commission adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Lorence A. Henk  
Secretary

Arthur Voss  
Vice Chairman

Dec. 23, 1966 - Regular meeting held with commissioners Voss and Biegalle present, together with Comr. Appointee Ivan Morse, Mgr. and Secretary.

Minutes of the Dec. 16, 1966 meeting were read and approved as read.

Gravel bids were opened at 11:00 A.M. -

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| 1. Beckman Bros. - 10,000 yds. in Stockpile - | \$3.35 per cu. yd. (no modificati |
| 2. Cousineau - " "                            | 2.35 " " " (5% more sand)         |
| 3. Towns - " "                                | 2.35 " " " (no modificatio        |
| 4. Schworm - " "                              | 2.50 " " "W(no modificatio        |

On gravel production in Jones Pit, stockpile in pit.

1. Cousineau - .62 per cu. yd.
2. Towns - .65 per cu. yd.
3. Schworm - .62 per cu. yd.

Motion made by Biegalle, supported by Voss that Towns be given the contract for 10,000 cu. yards delivered to the county road garage yard, at a price of \$2.35 per cu. yd. for 22-A; and that Richard Cousineau be given the contract for processing 20,000 cu. yds. of gravel in Jones Pit; both of these contracts to be completed by July 1, 1967.

Adjourned for lunch and did not reconvene. Officially adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Lorence A. Henk  
Secretary

Arthur Voss  
Vice Chairman



Dec. 30, 1966 - The regular meeting of the Bd. of Rd. Comr. was held with commissioners Arthur Voss and John Biegalle present; also Ivan Morse, Comr. Appointee, Mgr. Lunde and Secretary Klenk. Chairman Gamertsfelder still hospitalized.

Minutes of the Dec. 23rd meeting were read and approved as read.

Robert Smith of Smith and Eddy Ins. Agency was present to present a new Statement of Values for 1967 building and contents insurance. The previous coverage was carried through the Smith Agency with the Firemen's Fund Ins. Co. of San Francisco, California. He proposes to change this coverage to the Michigan Miller's Insurance Co. of Lansing, Michigan. He says he has two reasons for wanting to make this transfer (1) because this company allows a 15% reduction deviation from the rating bureau rates; (2) because he gets better service from this company. He states that they are rated an A plus company, the same as the former one.

The appraisal from the Michigan Millers Co. has set the replacement values as \$145,100 an increase of \$27,100 over previous value of Mason Co. Hwy. Main Building; as \$18,800 an increase of \$6,800. over previous value on steel and frame storage building, and \$7,000., an increase of \$2,000. over the previous value on frame storage bldg. in east yard. The radio communications tower value is to be put up to \$2,000. from \$1,300.

Motion made by Comr. Biegalle, that Arthur Voss, Vice Chairman be authorized to sign the statement of values as presented by Robert Smith as above stated. These coverages in the amount stated above will be effective as of Jan. 1, 1967, and will be bound accordingly, as appraised by Michigan Millers Ins. Co. on Dec. 23, 1966.

In view of criticism contained in the auditors report of May 1965 audit, relative to an appraisal having been made for the past four years, Mr. Wallace, member of the Board of Supervisors, who was present at this time, suggested that Mr. Smith write a letter to the Attorney General advising him of this new appraisal.

Mr. Wallace presented a preliminary plan for making a subdivision on his property at the corner of US-10 and 31. He wants to build a road along the south line of his property, but wants to barricade it at times to keep out hangers to his drive-in movie. Therefore he is advised by the commission to keep this a private road.

Mr. Wallace presents a plea from Dr. Kellawan for snow fence to be placed in the field opposite his house to aid in the snow problem. Commission advises him of the continuing problem they had had with Dr. Kellawan ever since he established his residence at Goose Neck Lake, at the East end of the Hansen Road.

Bid from Miller Equipment Company on the Sicard Sander and Dodge Truck combination opened; truck is \$4,102. and sander \$2,250. making a total price of \$6,352.00, terms are net.

A. W. Cogle and wife were in with pertinent papers regarding installation of their gas pipelines. Motion by Biegalle, supported by Voss, to sign the permit and agreement allowing A. W. Cogle to install gas pipelines crossing Quarterline Road at Colburn Rd. to their place in S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, T 19 N, R 17 W, in Victory Twp., Mason Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Casey were also present with similar papers and motion is made by Biegalle and supported by Voss to sign the permit and agreements allowing Bernard Casey to install gas pipelines crossing Quarterline Rd., 1300 ft. north of South  $\frac{1}{4}$  post of Sec. 3, T 19 N, R. 17 W., in Victory.

Commission adjourned for lunch, reconvening at 2:30 P.M.

Motion is made by Biegalle, supported by Voss to purchase Dodge Truck and Sicard Sander as per bid read this date at the delivered cost of \$6,352., immediate delivery, from the Miller Equipment Co., the only bidder.

Dec. 30, 1966 - continued

Discussion on the applications for employment and the physical examinations of Lawrence Coolman and Stephen Bedker. The examination of Lawrence Coolman had no restrictions, however the Stephen Bedker report had been noted by doctor that his natural hearing could not meet the requirements of the form used in connection with motor carrier regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission, although a hearing aid is worn. Commission waives this qualification and okays these men for hire. Bedker has driven for the Conservation Dept., driving a pickup and truck with success. Letter on file, with his physical examination, from Conservation Dept.

Discussion on paying Beckman Brothers for the gravel Stockpile for which bid had been accepted on Dec. 16th, 1966. No billing has been received on this, and no gravel has been hauled to county yard.

Commissioners adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

*Lawrence A. Sink*  
Secretary

*Arthur Voss*  
Vice-Chairman