

January 5, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: Merrill

Visitors: None

Vice-Chairman Thurow called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the December 23rd meeting.

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve the minutes of the December 23rd meeting as amended.

Yeas: Thurow, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to preauthorize the approval of Payroll #1 and Accounts Payable.

Note: January 6, 1999 Payroll #1 amount \$57,071.85 and Warrant 47246 thru 47298 in the amount of \$14,833.54.

Yeas: Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board discussed the labor negotiations and the next steps to be taken.

The Kinney Road partial abandonment petition was discussed.

Engr./Mgr. Dittmer discussed a possible gravel purchase from Harry's Dozer Service.

Gary applied to the Federal forest Service for possible funding for Campbell Road.

A bid tabulation for equipment bids opened on December 23, 1998 will be given the the commissioners at the next board meeting.

Two Ludington Daily News reporters rode with two of MCRC employees and an article and pictures appeared in the paper.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Discussed the trucks to be traded in for new trucks.
2. Discussed Mavis Road petition for abandonment.
3. Visited the Ludington rest area and discussed usage and temporary setup.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Noticed that the City of Scottville is not putting salt on the Scottville Road bridge.
2. Discussed a visit from a job applicant.

There will be a Paul Bunyon meeting on February 4th in Newaygo County.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Shirley M. Anthony Shirley Anthony, Secretary

January 13, 1999 special meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec.

Anthony Absent: None

Shop Foreman Woirol and Superintendent Moody came in to the meeting at 1:05 p.m. to discuss the truck bids.

TRUCK BIDS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to award the bid for two single axle trucks in the amount of \$105,400.00 and two tandem axle trucks in the amount of \$133,120.00 to Duthler Truck Center.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: Archer. Motion carried.

UNDERBODY SCRAPERS

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to award the bid for 4 Underbody Monroe 3500 scrapers to Truck & Trailer Specialties, in the amount of \$4677.00 each.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

DUMP BOXES

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to purchase two Galion Dump boxes from Hyde Equipment in the amount of \$5837.00 each.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The bid for spreaders to be tabled at the present time.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Shirley Anthony Shirley Anthony, Secretary

January 22, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr.Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Tom & Marilyn Zick, Alan Young, Kevin Braciszeski-Daily News reporter, Scott Heath, Trish Shurlow, James L. Paris, and Al Villadsen

Auditors Tom & Marilyn Zick came in for a few minutes to discuss their audit that is started for 1998.

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the January 5th meeting.

Motion by Thurow supported by Archer to approve the minutes of the January 5th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the January 13th meeting.

Motion by Merrill and supported by Thurow to approve the minutes of the January 13th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

GRAVEL PROPOSAL

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve a proposal to purchase a minimum of 5000 Cyds. gravel from Harry's Dozer Service, @ \$5.50 per cubic yard.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #2 (\$72,642.65) and Bills Payable Voucher 47301 thru 47375 in the amount of \$84,890.68.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows,

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. MAINTENANCE

1. County Wide

Plowing snow and sanding for ice control
Cutting trees and brush control
Fixing edge ruts and cold patching holes

2. State Trunkline

Rest area is open and under operation
Plowing snow and sanding for ice control
Fixing edge ruts and patching holes

B. CONSTRUCTION

1 Primary System

Campbell Road-No changes at this time
Fountain Road-Plans completed and ready to send to MDOT

2. Local System

Freeman Road-G&DS FreesoilTwp. plan preparation
Dewey Road-G&DS VictoryTwp. clearing to continue in accordance with weather
Victory Corners Bridge-Continuing discussions with MDOT regarding plans.
To begin clearing on Ehler Road-Hamlin Twp. and Larson Road-Sheridan Township.

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

New tanker is in operation and working well.
Mechanics are working overtime-mostly on alternators

3. Permit activity during this period included:

New 1999 annual permits

4. New Advance Road name signs have been delivered and ready to be installed.

5. Phil Gajeski has gone in for hernia surgery-will be off at least 4 to 6 weeks.

6. Rest area - Handicap signs have been installed

MDOT to furnish sign for Car & Trucks to use one direction
Mark Wahr has been working on rest area most of the time

7. Emergency Management held a table top exercise last week with regards to a gas leak.

8. Basin Pipeline will provide a training seminar on gas leaks to MCRC some time next spring.

9. Met with Bob Clark regarding centerline painting and EPA rulings.

10. Met with Harry Burke regarding gravel in Whiskey Creek area.

11. New trucks, boxes and blades have been ordered.

At 10:00 a.m. the meeting was open to the public.

Alan Young, a concerned citizen, discussed Kinney road abandonment at great lengths.

Letters were read from Ron Campbell and Linda Campbell, former owners of land on Darr Road, objecting to a petition to abandon a portion of Darr Road.

Trish Shurlow, concern citizen, discussed her objections to a portion of Darr Road being closed.

Al Villadsen discussed why he would like a portion of Darr Road closed.

Motion by Archer and not supported to deny the petition for a portion of Darr Road to be abandoned as filed.

Motion failed for lack of support.

It was decided to table discussion on Darr Road to seek additional counsel from attorney Mark Otto before a decision is made.

At this time Marc Soles, County Sanitarian, came in to the meeting to discuss the conditions at the rest area that have occurred since it has had to be kept open during the winter.

David Hall, Hamlin Twp. resident, discussed abandonment of a portion of Mavis Road between Lakeshore Dr. and Lincoln Ave.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Discussed the rest area with snowplowing and usage.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL AND VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

No comments

At 11:50 a.m. Mark Wahr, a new employee, came in to the meeting to be introduced to the Commissioners

At 12:00 p.m. Gary Van Der Wall, a new employee, came in to the meeting to be introduced to the Commissioners.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 12:20 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 1:15 p.m., with all members present.

Under old business the following was discussed: 2/19

1. The teamsters have changed their local B.A. to Fred Bennett.
2. The contract negotiations status was discussed.
3. Arbitration has been denied for an employee grievance by the Mich. State Employment Relations Commission.
4. Discussed disciplinary action regarding a shop employee and the foreman.
5. Room reservations are made for March annual meeting.
6. Letter was received from MCRASIF regarding Lee Redman.

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to accept resignation of employment from the Mason County Road Commission of Lee Redman.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. A county drain meeting will be held regarding Creamery Corners Drain.
2. Paul Bunyon meeting will be held on Feb. 4th in Manistee
3. Listing was given to commissioners of employee seniority by age.
4. Staff wage recommendations were given to commissioners.
5. Township officers meeting will be held Jan. 28th at MCE
6. Appointment of officers for 1999.

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to retain the same officers for 1999 that were appointed in 1998.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None
Motion carried.

7. Accept letter of retirement from Harold Morse.

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to accept the letter of retirement from Harold Morse as of April 2, 1999.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Bryant Road design was discussed.

The draft for the Local Road policy for 1999 was presented and tabled for future discussion and acceptance.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Shirley Anthony Shirley Anthony, Secretary

February 5, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Alan Young, Betty & Louis Anderson, Tammy & Bruce Baker, Patti Boals, J.W. McCormick II

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the January 22nd meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to approve the minutes of the January 22nd meeting as corrected.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve Pay #3 (\$52,059.77) and warrant 47376 thru 47436 in the amount of \$39,522.36.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet and the trial balance for January.

At 9:35 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

1. Work progress during the last two weeks included:
 - A. Maintenance
 1. County Wide
 - Sanding for ice control
 - Hauling 2NS sand into yard
 - Digging out ditches for water flow
 - Patching holes
 - Fixing edge drops
 - Placing calcium chloride down as anti-icing measures
 2. State Trunkline
 - Patching holes in asphalt
 - Sanding for ice control
 - Fixing edge drops
 - B. Construction
 1. Primary System
 - Campbell Road-preparing to stake limits for clearing

Fountain Road-Plans completed and sent to MDOT and clearing various areas prior to MDOT project
 Bryant Road-received verbal approval for funding
 Hoague Road-will not receive word on funding until mid March

Letter from MDOT read regarding Federal Forest Service Funds

2. Local System

Dewey Road-Victory Twp. clearing in accordance with weather conditions.

Victory Corners Bridge-Continuing discussions with MDOT and Consultant

Freeman Road-Freesoil Twp. -Clearing of various trees.

Larson Road-Sheridan Twp.-Clearing to begin soon

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:
 Shop working on anti-icing equipment-work completed this week and tested yesterday.
 Loader #99 Engine problems-serious will know more later.
 Other minor items.
3. Permit activity during this period included:
 Utility annual permits for 1999
4. Paul Bunyon meeting was held Thursday with Bob, Dean and Gary attending. Gary is no longer chairman. Les Kolk, of Manistee CRC was elected the new chairman.
5. Gary to attend MCRC SIP meeting next week.
6. Dean attended Township Officers meeting last week.
7. Gary met with Mark Otto regarding the following:
 - A. MCRC County property transfer
 - B. Weaver Road R.O.W.
 - C. Mavis Road Abandonment information
 - D. Kinney Road Abandonment update
8. Gary sent a letter to Schoenherr Road Residents regarding improving the roadway or abandoning it
9. Bob Larson took scales to Lansing to be certified.
10. Weight restrictions go into effect Monday Feb. 8th.
11. Advertised among crew for Foreman and Mechanic position.
12. Phil Gajeski has been released from the doctor to return to work.

At 10:10 A.M. the meeting was open to the public.

Louis Anderson, Sherman Twp. resident, and his wife Betty discussed encroaching fences on road commission right-of-ways. Would like to have letter sent to his neighbor to have fence removed from county right-of-way.

Tammy Baker questioned that when road commissioners go to meetings do they represent the view of the whole board or themselves as an individual.

Alan Young discussed the Kinney Road closure. He would like to see the motion reversed that was made in December to close a portion of the road.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Attended Township Association meeting. Several things were discussed there regarding the Michigan Township Association. It was discussed to have a portion of the Michigan Transportation funds allocated to townships.
2. Attended the Paul Bunyon meeting in Manistee Thursday. It was well attended.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Talked with Nick Matiasch regarding the condition of Cedar Lane in Amber Township.
2. Wondered if the road commission is taking brine from the well for ice control.
3. Wondered if the road into Backwicks is a public road.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

No comments

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Vice-Chairman Thurow wondered if the road commission had any responses from MDOT regarding the repair of Pere Marquette Highway.
2. Vice-Chairman Thurow talked to Oceana County Road Commissioners and Newaygo County Commissioners, regarding their returns on their retirement for their employees.
3. No new update on union negotiations. Gary met with four members and discussed several issues they had questions regarding.
4. Update on grievances-presently one arbitration hearing to be held regarding inappropriate equipment operation.
5. Lee Redman has requested all of his pension be sent to him.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Gary to contact Townships regarding 1999 projects-new form to have Townships prioritise their requests.

2. Discussed new local road policy for 1999.
3. Discussed staff wage recommendations.
4. Discussed leave of absent for Mark Lothrop. Will consider a month with option to renew after a response from the union is received.

LOCAL ROAD POLICY FOR 1999

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to continue the same local road policy for 1999 that was in effect for 1998.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

MILK HAULERS PERMIT

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to approve permits for Michigan Milk Haulers to use designated county roads during weight restrictions.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried

Discussed proposal from Laman Asphalt to buy sealcoat aggregate they have in stock.

LAMAN ASPHALT PROPOSAL

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to purchase 25A Slag from Laman Asphalt at a negotiated price not exceeding their proposal.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Under correspondence the following was read:

1. CRAM new letter.
2. Letter from Bill Schutte inviting the commissioners to visit his office when they go to the highway conference in Lansing in March.
3. Letter from Mason/Manistee District Health Dept. read regarding the rest area.
4. Correspondence was read from Mark Otto regarding the abandonment of Kinney Road. Mp action was taken.
5. A letter from Mason-Lake 911 negotiating costsharing for a study to be done for a mapping system.

COUNTY PROPERTY MOTION

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to accept the following offer from the county for property.

Whereas the County of Mason and the State of Michigan holds title to property located in Section 10 of Amber Township, hereafter referred to as the Amber Pit and:

Whereas the county of Mason also holds title to property in Section 27 of Grant Townshp, hereafter referred to as the Nurnberg Pit.

Whereas the County of Mason is desirous to transfer the ownership and control of these properties to the mason County Road Commission and:

Whereas the Mason County Road Commission is agreeable to this transfer

Be it Therefore Resolved: that the Board of County Road Commissioners shall agree to this transfer title of said Amber Pit property and Nurnberg Property for the sum on one dollar (\$1.00)

Be it Further Resolved: The Board of County Road Commissioners agree to the following condition for transfer:

1. To hold ownership a minimum of 10 years from date of agreement
2. Seek and secure clear title of properties
3. Hold harmless the County of Mason of all future liabilities

Be It Further Resolved: this transfer is contingent that the County of Mason agrees to the following conditions for transfer

1. Reimburse the Mason County Road Commission the cost of property surveys for each parcel at a total cost of \$8,109.74
2. Relinquish all mineral rights to each property 10 years from the date of agreement.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: Archer. Motion carried.

Engr./Mgr. Dittmer and Secretary Anthony was dismissed at 12:50 and the Commissioners went into executive session to discuss wage raises for the staff.

Engr./Mgr. Dittmer and Sec. Anthony came back into the meeting at 1:30 p.m. and the following motion was given:

STAFF SALARY

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to increase the staff salaries to the following:

Name	Position	Salary
Shirley Anthony	Clerk	\$34,616.40
Robert Larson	Foreman	34,406.94
Harold Morse	Foreman	33,272.47
Eric Moody	Superintendent	38,606.04
Diane Swathwood	Asst. Clerk	22,678.86
Theodore Weinert	Proj. Engr.Asst.	36,017.28
Terry Woilrol	Shop Foreman	35,285.32

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

February 19, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: Archer

Visitors: Marty Bromley, Alan Young, Tammy & Bruce Baker

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the February 5th meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to approve the minutes of the February 5th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to approve Pay #4 (\$51,030.24) and warrant 47437 thru 47511 in the amount of \$100,333.86.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:20 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:25 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Sanding for ice control
Cleaning ditches for drainage improvements
Patching holes
Fixing edge drops
Cutting brush with tractors

2. State Trunkline

Patching holes in asphalt
Sanding for ice control
Fixing edge drops

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Laying out centerline for clearing-do not have all the easements back yet.
Fountain Road-plans completed and sent to MDOT

Bryant Road-received approval of funding
 Hoague Road-will not receive word on funding until
 March.

2. Local System

Dewey Road-Victory Twp. -Clearing completed
 Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp. letter read from
 consultant.

Freeman Road-Victory Twp. - Clearing completed

Larson Road-Sheridan Twp. - Clearing in progress

Ehler Road-Hamlin Twp. - Clearing completed

At 9:30 a.m. Ted Weinert came in to the meeting to discuss some
 of the jobs that he is working on and discussed purchase of
 survey/Engineering equipment.

Engr./Mgr. Dittmer resumed his report as follows:

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:
 Shop working on anti-icing equipment-work has been
 completed. Other counties have been interested in
 the system.
 Loader #99 has had its engine replaced and is back
 in service.
 Other minor items repaired.
3. Permit activity during this period included:
 Utility annual permits coming in for 1999.
4. Gary attended MCRC SIP meeting last week. Have things
 to work out with MDOT for liability.
5. MCRC weight restrictions still in effect for Mason Co.
 - a. Bob Larson is enforcing rules-one ticket issued to
 date, numerous stops and one warning.
 - b. Gary Dittmer met with garbage haulers regarding
 operation.
 - c. Contacted various utilities regarding work habits.
6. MDOT weight restrictions have been lifted for Mason
 County south to state line.
 - a. Review of frost tube show still have frost in
 US-10 Highway.
7. Schoenherr Road has not been surveyed as yet-planned
 for next week.
8. Terry Woilol, Eric Moody, and Gary Dittmer interviewed
 3 candidates for mechanic-12 people have made out
 applications.
9. Gary Dittmer met with Laman Asphalt regarding seal coat
 stone. Price is \$13.55/ton with hauling extra.
 Material to be hauled after weight restrictions removed.

10. Gary Dittmer did inspection on Reek Road Bridge-have recommendations for repairs.
11. Gary Dittmer meeting with various townships regarding 1999 local road work.
12. Discussed paying county for timber sales monies.
13. A advertisement was put in Ludington Daily News for a foreman's position.
14. The rest area east drive has been opened and is in service.

At 10:30 a.m. Tammy Baker discussed the gate that was put up by the Pitsch family on Kinney Road.

Alan Young discussed the Kinney Road closure at great lengths.

At 11:30 a.m. the Commissioners gave their report as follows:

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Discussed contracting out work on Campbell Road because of the work load for the road commission employees.
2. Discussed getting a student to work for the summer to help with road plans.
3. Would like to have MCRC attorney check on the legality of the gate put up on Kinney Road.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Wondered if Phil Gajeski was back to work yet.
2. Wondered about foreman's job that was advertised in the paper and ,also, posted for road commission employees.
3. Would like to see how much was spent on bulldozer rental last year.
4. Would like to see claying done on the roads this year.

Terry Woirol, Shop Foreman, came in to the meeting for approval for a replacement for Kenneth Leonard in the shop.

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to make an offer to Fred Cooper for Mechanic/Fabricator.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:10 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 1:30 p.m. with members Merrill and Thurow present.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Discussed the resignation of Lee Redman.
2. Mark Lothrop has been granted a leave of absence for one month.
3. Road easement for cul-du-sac from Pitsch family was discussed, and tabled-No action taken.
4. Order of Abandonment for Kinney Road was discussed, and tabled-No action taken.
5. Reservations are in for annual county road association meeting in March in Lansing.
6. There will be an Emergency Management exercise on March 27th.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. An official notification regarding small urban funding has arrived:
 - a. 1999 Bryant Road (MCRC) and Washington Ave (City)
 - b. 2000 Johnson Road (MCRC) and Tinkham Ave (City)
 - c. 2001 Meyers Road (MCRC) and Harrison St. (City) and bus (LMTA)
2. Meeting with Dave Mead Monday, along with Manistee and Benzie County Road Commission.
3. Draft was given to commissioners for Rules of Order for commission meetings.

Under correspondence the following was read:

1. CRAM newsletter
2. Letter read from Abonmarch Group regarding status of Victory Corners Bridge project.
3. Letter from CRAM regarding Governor's budget
4. Booklet from MDOT detailing scheduling of Trunkline work in Mason County discussed.

The board looked over the Act 51 report for 1998. After much discussion the following motions were made:

TRANSFER FUNDS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to transfer \$122,521 from the Primary fund to the Local fund.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPROVE ACT 51 REPORT

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill that the board approve the Act 51 financial data for the 1998 fiscal year, and further that Chairman Merrill be authorized to sign the various documents.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board looked over the certification map changes for 1998 and the following motion was made:

SIGNING OF ACT 51 CERTIFICATION MAPS

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill that the board approve of the Act 51 Certification reports for the 1998 fiscal year, and further that Chairman Merrill be authorized to sign the various documents.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

FOUNTAIN ROAD FINAL PLANS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow that the board approve the signing of Fountain road final plans and submit to the Michigan Department of Transportation for administration.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CRAM DIRECTOR

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to vote for Donald Holt, Jack Deming, William C. Ayre and Leonard Hool for positions on the CRAM Board.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

TECHNICIAN POSITION

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to advertise in the local paper for the full time position of Engineering Technician.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The need for a new V-Bottom trailer, bulldozer and Drott was discussed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

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Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr.Dittmer, Sec.Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Bruce & Tammy Baker, Marty Bromley, Louis & Betty Anderson.

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the Feb. 19th meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to approve the minutes of the February 19th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays:None Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve Pay #5 (\$50146.21) and warrant 47512 thru 47568 in the amount of \$35,859.76.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays:None. Motion carried.

At 9:15 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:30 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Sanding for ice control
Patching holes in asphalt
Cutting brush with tractors

2. State Trunkline

Patching holes in asphalt
Sanding for ice control

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Laying out centerline for clearing
One easement left to get.
Fountain Road-Plans completed and sent to MDOT
Bryant Road-Ted preparing preliminary plans for grade inspection.
Hoague Road-No new information to date.

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp. -Preliminary plans reviewed and returned.

DNR permit application submitted.

Larson Road-Sheridan Twp.-Clearing in progress.

Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-Clearing to begin soon.

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:
 - Replace Brass Slides on Moldboard on Motor Grader #133
 - Other minor items
3. Permit activity during this period included:
 - Utility Annual permits coming in for 1999
 - Numerous driveway applications
 - Various Day seasonal overweight permits
4. MCRC Weight Restrictions in effect
 - a. Bob Larson enforcing rules-three tickets issued to date, numerous stops and one warning.
 - b. Contacted various utilities regarding work habits.
5. MDOT weight restrictions have been lifted for Mason County South.
6. Schoenherr Road has not been surveyed as yet-probably next week.
7. Gary Dittmer meeting with various townships regarding 1999 local road work. Discussed change in revenue sharing from state for townships. It would give the townships more money.
8. Would like to meet with township supervisors at the road commission in the evening.
9. Gary Dittmer, Manistee CRC and Benzie CRC met with David Meade last week to discuss various legislative items.
10. Gary Dittmer contacted West Mich. Pwr. & Equip. regarding dozer purchase and tractor purchase. Will, also, get quotes from other dealers for used dozer.
11. Dozer rental for 1998 was \$18,900 from West Michigan Power and Equipment.
12. Ted Weinert is testing new engineering equipment on demonstration.
13. New mechanic Fred Cooper is to begin work on Monday March 8th.

At 10:10 a.m. Bruce Baker discussed the legalities of the gate that was put up by the Pitschs on Kinney Road. Gary to send letter to attorney general's office requesting opinion on abandonment and procedures used.

Louis & Betty Anderson, discussed the fence on Schoenherr Road that they feel is in the road right-of-way.
Ted to do a survey on the property to see where the road belongs.

Since two of the board members will not be able to come to the next scheduled board meeting on March 19th the meeting will be changed to Tuesday March 16th.

The Commissioners gave their reports as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Wondered if any information came yet regarding the Commissioners seminar to be held April 11th.
2. Wondered what is proposed for the upcoming season to do repairs on the freeway.
3. Dave Hall, on Mavis Road, wants to meet with the Road Commission regarding an abandonment of Mavis Road, Hamlin Township.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. On the east side of Scottville road south of Scottville there is a cement culvert headwall that should be removed

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

No comment

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 11:55 a.m.
The meeting resumed at 12:50 p.m. with all members present.

Under old business the following was discussed:

MARK LOTHROP LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to allow Mark Lothrop another month leave of absence if requested.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

GALLOWAY DRIVEWAY APPLICATION

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to deny a permit application by Mary Galloway to use an existing driveway on Pomeroy Springs Road.

Note: This is in response to Mason County Circuit Court File 98-19-CH

1. Union negotiation were discussed:
 Fact finder named to mediate and resolve issues.
 Mike Kluck has listed issues and sent copy to union for discussion.
 Unfair labor suit has been requested to be placed on hold.
2. Arbitration date has been set for union grievance.
3. Reservations are in for annual meeting in Lansing.
4. No new action taken on Kinney Road abandonment issue.
5. No new action taken on Darr Road abandonment issue.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Governor's "Executive Order No. 1999-1" which will cut TEDF Category D Funds.
2. Increase of 15% for Blue Cross was discussed.
3. Gary has scheduled meeting with Bill Schuette during the CRAM Annual meeting.
4. Legislative gathering and dinner is set for CRAM annual meeting in March.
5. Dinner meeting set for Tuesday night of annual meeting with Oceana CRC, sponsored by Laman Asphalt, Inc.
6. Meeting of County Board of Commissioners to be held on Tuesday March 9th at 7:30 p.m. Topic of Kinney Road to be presented by delegation of citizens.
7. Advertisement for Engineering Technician has been sent out.
8. Seasonal Materials bids to be sent out soon.

RULES OF ORDER MOTION

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to establish Adopted Rules of Order for Commission meeting, and place copy of same in MCRC Policy Book.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Under correspondence the following was read:

1. CRAM newsletter
2. Letter from MDOT stating that the Needs Study Group is being established.
3. Letter read from MDOT regarding the plowing situation at the rest area.

At 2:05 p.m. the commissioners excused Engr./Mgr. Dittmer and Secretary Anthony and went into closed session.

At 2:20 p.m. the commission called Engr./Mgr. Dittmer and Secretary Anthony back into the meeting.

RAISE FOR ENGR./MGR. DITTMER

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to raise Engr./Mgr. Dittmer's salary by 4 3/4%, to \$46,931.35 retroactive to January 1, 1999.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

March 16, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michign.

Present: Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: Merrill

Visitors: Tammy & Bruce Baker

Vice-Chairman Thurow called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the March 5th meeting.

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve the minutes of the March 5th meeting as read.

Yeas: Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Thurow supported by Archer to approve Pay #6 (\$51,532.79) and warrant 47569 thru 47628 in the amount of \$40,627.95.

Yeas: Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 8:28 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 8:30 a.m. the meeting was open to the public.

A letter to the Attorney General was discussed with Bruce and Tammy Baker.

At 8:35 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Sanding for ice control
Patching holes in asphalt
Cutting brush with tractors

2. State Trunkline

Sanding for ice control
Patching holes in asphalt

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Preparing plans for bidding process

-All easements are in that are necessary
for present work.

Fountain Road-MDOT bidding work at present time
Bryant Road-Discussions with City of Ludington to
include Washington Ave. with project

Hoague Road- No new information to date

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp.-Preliminary plans
reviewed and returned.

Larson Road-Sheridan Twp. -Clearing in progress

Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-Contract to be signed by MCRC

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:
 - Pit loader brought into shop for servicing and minor repairs.
 - #84 Drott experiencing numerous repairs which limits production.
 - Other minor items.
3. Utility Annual permits coming in for 1999
Numerous driveway applications
Various day seasonal overweight permits
4. CRC weight restrictions still in effect
 - a. Bob Larson issued four tickets to date, numerous stops and one warning
5. MDOT weight restrictions have been reinstated for entire State of Michigan.
 - a. Review of frost tube shows frost similar to period in late January.
6. Schoenherr Road has been surveyed-information shows encroachment of cars and fence
Dittmer to prepare letter to property owners to remove encroachments.
7. Dittmer sending out information to townships regarding Local Road Program-meeting set for Wed. March 24th at 7:00 p.m.
8. Dittmer sent our questionnaire to townships regarding communication between road commissions and townships.
9. New hired employees Gary VanderWall and Mark Wahr have reached and passed their probation dates and have been retained.
10. Fred Cooper, new mechanic, began working last Monday.
11. Foreman interviews have been held except for one-decision to be made soon on hiring.
12. Dittmer attended Mason County Board of Commissioners meeting on March 9th-discussion regarding Kinney Road.
13. Ted Weinert has been testing engineering equipment.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman of Mason/Oceana 911, Tom Altman came in to the meeting to discuss a GIS computerized mapping system for 911 services. A firm from Traverse City has been retained to plan the

system. \$29500 has to be raised from different agencies to pay for plans for the system.

Kenneth Leonard retirement

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to accept Kenneth Leonard's request for early retirement as of April 2nd., and in accordance with the current bargaining agreement pay one half of his hospitalization premium until he reaches the age of 65.

Yeas: Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Would like to see sealcoat repairs done on Conrad Road east of Scottville Road.
2. Truck drivers should make a list of bad spots in the roads when they see them.
3. Heard there was a problem with an employee.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Doug Pider stopped yesterday and discussed sites for gravel.
2. Commissioners should go to more township meetings.
3. Was in California last week and noticed the good roads, but large amount of traffic.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Union negotiations-Mike Kluck has listed issues and sent copy to union for discussion. Union has contacted MCRC regarding meetings to be held soon.
2. Mark Lothrop on a Leave of Absence for the second month.
3. Reservations are in for the annual meeting in March at the Holiday Inn.
4. Dittmer sent letter to Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Grandholm regarding Kinney Road.
5. No new action taken on Darr Road Abandonment issue.
6. Commissioner's seminar information has been received and reservations made.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Discussion of Governor's "Executive Order No. 1999-2" which will cancel changes in Executive Order No. 1999-1
2. Advertisement for engineering technician has been sent out.
3. Dittmer sent out seasonal materials bids this last week.
4. Transportation Summit to be held by MDOT at Cadillac on

Under correspondence the following was read:

1. CRAM newsletter
2. Letter from Westshore Engineering Co. regarding drainage problem on Jackson/Mavis Road.
3. Information from MAC regarding their views on Transportation.

HAMLIN TOWNSHIP ROAD CONTRACTS

Motion by Thurow supported by Archer to enter into a contract with Hamlin Township for clearing, grading & gravel on Decker Road in the amount of \$72,585.00.

Yeas: Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to enter into a contract with Hamlin Township for double seal on Decker Road in the amount of \$13,500.00.

Yeas: Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

VOTING MEMBER AT CRAM MEETING

Motion by Thurow supported by Archer to appoint Dean Archer as a voting member at the CRAM annual meeting.

Yeas: Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

April 1, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 East State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Betty & Louie Anderson

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the March 16th meeting.

Motion by Thurow supported by Archer to approve the minutes of the March 16th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to approve Pay #7 (\$49932.62) and warrant 47629 thru 47691 in the amount of \$54011.04.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:25 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:30 a.m. Louie & Betty Anderson discussed the fence that is on the road right-of-way on Schoenherr Road. They left at 10:17 a.m.

At 10:17 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Patching holes in asphalt
Cutting brush with tractors and prisoners cutting brush.

Blading gravel roads

Pulling shoulders

Placing brine on various gravel roads

2. State Trunkline

Patching holes in asphalt and edge drops

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-preparing plans for bidding process
All easements are in that are necessary for present work.

Fountain Road-MDOT bid opening tomorrow

Bryant Road-Discussions with City of Ludington to include Washington Ave with project

Hoague Road-no new information until at least late April

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp.-preliminary plans reviewed and returned-DNR permit application in review process

Larson Road-Sheridan Twp.-Clearing completed

Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-Clearing in progress

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:
#84 Drott experiencing numerous repairs
Other minor items-sanders & plows cleaned up and put away
3. Permit activity during this period included:
Numerous driveway applications
4. MCRC weight restrictions removed on Wednesday
Five tickets issued to date, numerous stops and one warning
5. MDOT weight restrictions have been removed for entire State of Michigan
6. Schoenherr Road has been surveyed-information shows encroachment of cars and fence
Dittmer sent letter to property owners to remove encroachments.
7. Dittmer sent out questionnaire to townships regarding communication.
Have reviewed numerous responses to it.
8. Dittmer and Archer met with various township supervisors last week to discuss local road work for 1999.
9. Night patrol to end this weekend.
10. Night shift worker rescheduled last week to days, as per discussion at last meeting.
11. Drug testing contractor performed a visit last week-all negative tests.
12. Fred Cooper is fitting in very well in the shop.
13. Harold Morse and Kenneth Leonard retired today.
Newspaper to come at noon and take a picture.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Fred Bates informed me that the tube in the first gully on Peterson Road north of Fisher is in danger of collapsing.

2. Ralph Ruba has some ideas about the intersections in Victory Township he would like to discuss with the road commission.

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Glad to see that Ron is back and feeling better.
2. The gate is gone from the road where the topsoil is stored.
3. Discussed conference in Lansing he and Gary attended.
4. Discussed hospital insurance with insurance man.
5. Would like to see the meeting schedules changed.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. MCRC trucks are turning around in driveway on Johnson Rd. and damaging driveway.
2. Discussed applications for engineering assistant.
3. Would like to see something done about getting a dozer for the road commission.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Union negotiations were discussed. Mike Kluck has listed issues and sent copy to Union for discussion. New proposal discussed.
2. Grievance was settled with employee on Tuesday.
3. Mark Lothrop on leave of absence for second month.
4. Dittmer and Archer attended the CRAM annual meeting.
5. Letter from Attorney General's office read regarding Kinney road abandonment.
6. Commissioner's Seminar information has been received and reservations made for meeting.
7. No new action on Darr Road abandonment issue.
8. No new action on any other road abandonment issues.
9. Dittmer attended a meeting on GIS representing MCRC.
10. Have received numerous letters of application for Engineering Technician position, interviews to begin next week.
11. Dittmer sent out seasonal materials bids last week.

GIS REQUEST

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to table request for cost-sharing with GIS program until a later date.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried

FOREMAN OFFER

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to make an offer to hire Robert Heller as foreman at a starting salary of \$30,000.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

HAROLD MORSE BLUE CROSS

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to pay 1/2 of Harold Morse's hospitalization at retirement until he is 62 and be reevaluated at 62, unless he gets a job elsewhere that provides hospitalization.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. MCRC SIP meeting to be on April 20th & 21st in Grand Rapids.
2. Dittmer checked on per diem for MCRC SIP meetings.
3. CRASIF to hold a safety seminar in April for Workmen's comp. claims, etc.
4. Twp. officers meeting to be held on April 15th at Eden Township hall.
5. MCRC and C. Peterson to begin hauling slag stone from Laman's dock to Tubb's pit and Johnson pit next week.
6. Dean Archer met new commissioner from Oceana County at Laman Asphalt dinner.
7. Bob Thurow inquired about walnut logs in MCRC yard.
8. Discussed accident near Indian bridge last week.
9. Board authorized Dittmer to seek bids on rubber-tired excavator.

STATE CONTRACT FOUNTAIN ROAD

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to authorize Chairman Merrill and Vice-Chairman Thurow to sign Contract with Michigan Department of Transportation No. 99-5066 for Fountain Road.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Under correspondence the following was read:

1. CRAM news letter
2. Received letter of request for retirement letter from Ken Leonard.
3. Summary of contribution by county provided by Sec. of States Office.
4. Letter from MDOT discussing Friends of Transportation meeting on April 7th in Cadillac.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Shirley Anthony Shirley Anthony, Secretary

April 16, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 East State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Louie & Betty Anderson

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the April 1st meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to approve the minutes of the April 1st meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Thurow supported by Archer to approve Pay #8 (\$55,305.07) and warrant 47692 thru 47778 in the amount of \$180,394.28.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:45 a.m. Betty & Louie Anderson discussed the fence on the and trees on the road right-of-way of Schoenherr Road.

At 10:00 a.m. bids were opened for materials with Ed Giroux, Dave Cramblet, Tim Brubber and John Scheimke present.

OIL

Diamond Oil	15W40 Motor Oil	2.89 gal.
	Hydraulic	1.89 gal.
Kamp Oil	15W40 Motor Oil	2.76 gal.
	Hydraulic	2.06 gal.
Blarney Castle	15W40 Motor Oil	2.65 gal.
	Hydraulic	1.88 gal.
Spartan Oil	15W40 Motor Oil	2.99 gal.
	Hydraulic	1.78 gal.

Adams Oil	15W40 Motor Oil	2.81 gal.
	Hydraulic	1.43 gal.
Merle Boes	15W40 Motor Oil	2.50 gal.
	Hydraulic	1.95 gal.

BRIDGE MATERIALS

Kren Bridge	SYP Bridge Planking	1500 MBM
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CORRUGATED METAL PIPE

H.H. Craig & Sons	16 ga. 12"	3.25 Ft.
	15"	4.14 Ft.
	18"	5.10 Ft.
	21"	6.61 Ft.
Premarc	16 ga. 12"	3.16 Ft.
	15"	4.15 Ft.
	18"	5.14 Ft.
	21"	6.35 Ft.
Jensen Bridge	16 ga. 12"	3.00 Ft.
	15"	3.98 Ft.
	18"	5.00 Ft.
	21"	6.85 Ft.
St. Regis Culvert	16 ga. 12"	3.20 Ft.
	15"	4.19 Ft.
	18"	5.16 Ft.
	21"	6.58 Ft.

CORRUGATED PLASTIC PIPE

ADS	Smooth Interior	12"	2.67 Ft.
		15"	3.67 Ft.
		18"	5.55 Ft.
Hancor	Smooth Interior	12"	2.89 Ft.
		15"	3.95 Ft.
		18"	5.70 Ft.

GUARD RAIL & POSTS

Snowden, Inc.	Straight	2.80 LF
	Curved pan.	3.00 LF
	Posts-wooden	25.00 Each
	Posts-Steel	19.75 Each
Slagter Construction	Straight	2.50 LF
	Curved pan.	3.00 LF
	Posts-wooden	21.95 Each
	Posts-Steel	17.25 Each

Jensen Bridge	Straight	2.84 LF
	Curved pan.	4.37 LF
	Posts-wooden	27.88 Each
	Posts-Steel	21.25 Each

GASOLINE AND DIESEL

Lemmon Oil Co.

Gasoline	Rack	.54
	Markup	.075
	Delivery	<u>1.75</u>
	Total:	56.50
#1 Diesel	Rack	.5150
	Markup	.0075
	Delivery	.0175
	Total:	.54
#2 Diesel	Rack	.4950
	Markup	.0075
	Val. Tech. Add	.0050
	Delivery	.0175
	Total:	.5250

Brenner Oil Company	Gasoline	Rack	.5388
		Markup	0
		Delivery	.0225
		Total:	.5613
	#1 Diesel	Rack	.5443
		Markup	0
		Val. add.	.0075
		Delivery	.0225
		Total:	.5743
	#2 Diesel	Rack	.4968
		Markup	0
		Val. add	.0075
		Delivery	<u>.0225</u>
		Total:	.5268

Blarney Castle Oil Co.

Gasoline	Underground	.00875
	Rack	.53
	Markup	.005
	Delivery	.0194
	Total:	.563

Wesco	#1 Diesel	Underground	.00875
		Rack	.548
		Markup	.005
		Val. tech	0
		Delivery	<u>.015</u>
		Total:	.578
	#2 Diesel	Underground	.00875
		Rack	.4905
		Markup	.005
		Val. Tech	.01
		Delivery	<u>.0194</u>
		Total:	.534
	Gasoline	Rack	.5235
		Markup	.0095
		Delivery	<u>.015</u>
		Total:	.5480
Merle Boes	#1 Diesel	Rack	.5355
		Markup	.0091
		Val. Tech.	.01
		Delivery	<u>.015</u>
		Total:	.57
	#2 Diesel	Rack	.487
		Markup	.0095
		Val. Tech.	.01
		Delivery	<u>.015</u>
		Total:	.5215
	Gasoline	Rack	.539
		Markup	.01
		Delivery	<u>.01</u>
		Total:	.559
	#1 Diesel	Rack	.544
		Markup	.01
	Val. Tech	.0	
	Delivery	<u>.01</u>	
	Total:	.564	
#2 Diesel	Rack	.497	
	Markup	.01	
	Val. Tec.	.015	
	Delivery	<u>.01</u>	
	Total:	.532	
COLDPATCH			
Midland Contracting	-Bidders Plant	CP6	34.25 ton
		CP7	55.00
Delivered		CP6	40.50
		CP7	62.00

Rieth-Riley	-Bidders Plant	CP5	40.00
		UPM	68.00
	Delivered	CP5	42.00
		UPM	70.00

BRINE

Liquid Dustlayer, Inc.-Bidders Yard	26%	.06 Gal.
	32%	.1529
	38%	.1580
Furnished and applied		
	26%	.12
	32%	.228
	38%	.25
Furnished and applied intermittently		
	26%	.14
	32%	.248
	38%	.27
Furnished & loaded in storage facility		
	26%	.10
	32%	.188
	38%	.22

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to tabulate bids and award at a later date.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 11:00 a.m. Tom Zick, CPA auditor for MCRC came in to the meeting and discussed the 1998 audit with the board. Following a lengthy discussion where Mr. Zick explained the audit. The results of the audit indicated the financial records were in good shape and received good results.

The meeting recessed at 12:05 p.m. for lunch.

The meeting resumed at 1:20 p.m. with all members present.

At 1:21 p.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows;

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Patching holes in asphalt
Cutting brush with tractors
Pulling shoulders

2. State Trunkline

Patching holes in asphalt
E. Moody and G. Dittmer met with members of MDOT for spring ride a round. Looked at condition of roads and what maintenance needs are to be done.

B. Construction**1. Primary System**

Campbell Road-Preparing plans for bidding process.
 Fountain Road-opened bids April 4th with Wadel
 Construction low bidders Elmers Crane and Dozer as
 the bituminous subcontractor.

Bryant Road-G.I. prints sent to MDOT and waiting
 dates

Hoague Road-No new information until at least late
 April

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp.-Preliminary
 Plans reviewed and returned. DNR permit
 application in review process, and MDOT looking
 for a G.I. date.

Larson Road-Sheridan Twp.-Clearing completed

Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-Clearing in progress

Hasenbank Road-Meade Twp.-Graveling in progress

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:
 bid requests are out with opening due next
 meeting for new excavator to replace #84 Drott
 Dozer-request permission to a take bids for new or used
 dozer for next meeting.
 Other minor items

3. Permit activity during this period included:
 Numerous driveway applications.

4. Dittmer sent our questionnaire to Townships regarding
 communication-have reviewed numerous responses.

5. Dittmer determining estimates for various township local
 roads.

6. Dittmer and Merrill attended township officers meeting
 Thursday evening.

7. Slag stone from Laman's dock has been trucked to various
 pit locations.

8. Dittmer checked on gravel locations in Oceana County.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. There is a hole in the road past Babbins on Anthony Rd.
2. Discussed the incident at Indian Bridge (Reek Road)
3. Wondered how much of Powers Road was a certified road.
4. Heard good comments about the edge gravel put on some
 of the county roads.
5. The bridge on Kinney Road west of Scottville road has a
 bump on it.
6. Discussed that property owners cut the large pine trees
 down at the corner of Kinney and Schwass Roads.

MEMBER ARCHER

1. The seminar at Crystal Mountain was well attended. The ins and outs of Act 51 was discussed. The West Shore Collegiates performed at the meeting. An outstanding talk was given regarding road abandonments. The assignments for new CRAM committees are out. The meeting of UP road builders was discussed.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Wondered if curve signs were put up at Pleiness Lake.
2. Discussed the crew putting dirt on shoulders of the road.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. A fact finders meeting is set for April 27th. Gary will be in attendance.
2. Grievance about prisoners doing work in shop was discussed.
3. Mark Lothrop on Leave of Absence for second month.
4. Employee disciplinary action discussed.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. MCRCSIP meeting on April 20th and 21st in Grand Rapids.
2. CRASIF to hold a Safety seminar in April.
3. Discussed foreman position to replace Harold Morse.
4. Paul Bunyon meeting will be held on May 6th.

BRANCH ROAD CONTRACTS

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to enter into a contract with Branch Township for sealcoat on Marshall, Goff & Bockstanz for \$10,900, Fair Oaks Ave. & Martin Ave. for sealcoat for \$10,800, and Fair Oaks Ave. & Martin Ave Grading & Gravel Base Cse for \$14,500.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays:None. Motion carried.

GRANT ROAD CONTRACTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to enter into a contract with Grant Township for Anderson Rd. gravel surfacing, for \$6600, Freeman Road from Quarterline to Alexander for gravel surface for \$10,000 and Sass Road from Anderson Road to Morton for Agg. Surf. for \$5,000 and Various Roads for 38% calcium chloride for \$9,500 per application.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to offer to hire Jeff Conklin as Engineering Technician at a beginning rate of \$28,000 a year, and to evaluate the position again in six months.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

April 30, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 East State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr.Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Walt Dessauer, Louie & Betty Anderson, Norman Floyd, Patrick Broderick, Dick Doyle, Jim Noffke, Rick Smith, & Bob Haupt

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and member Archer read the minutes of the April 16th meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to approve the minutes of the April 16th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #9 (\$43,885.72) and warrant 47779 thru 47838 in the amount of \$175,150.81.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:35 a.m. the meeting was open to the public.

Louie and Betty Anderson discussed that the fence and various vehicles had been removed from the road right-of-way on Schoenherr Road. Someone put down pipes in the middle of the road.

Patrick Broderick and Norman Floyd discussed Campbell Road improvements for this year and in the future.

Bob Haupt, from the Hackert Lake Association, discussed the good job that was done on Crystal View Road.

At 10:15 A.M. the bids were opened for Self-propelled excavator and bulldozer.

Self-Propelled Excavator:

Bidder

Northern Equipment Co.	Self-Propelled rubber tired excavator	
	1999 Badger 1085C	\$162,500
	Alternate Bid trade-in #84	7,500
	Total:	\$155,000

AIS Equipment	Self-Propelled rubber tired excavator	
	1999 Gradall G3WD	\$174,800
	Alternate Bid trade-in #84	20,000
	Total:	\$154,800

Bulldozer

Bidder

AIS Equipment	1997 TD74 Dresser	
	410 hours on machine	\$39,900

Northern Mich. Equip.	1999 Case 650G	63,050
	1999 Case 850G	70,700

West Mich. Power	1999 550G	54,945
	1999 550G	50,458
	1999 550G	50,887

Michigan Cat	1998 or 1999 D4C3 Caterpillar	60,500
	Alternate bid	
	1998 D4C3 268 hrs.	58,000
	1998 D4C3 972 hrs.	51,300
	1997 D4C3 860 hrs.	53,323
	1997 D4C3 900 hrs.	57,320

Wolverine Tractor	1997 Dresser TD7H 356 hrs.	50,000
	1997 Dresser TD9H 251 hrs.	66,000
	1995 Case 650G 2230 hrs	52,000

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to put the bids on file and tabulate, to be awarded at the next board meeting.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:45 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

- Patching holes in asphalt
- Cutting brush with tractors
- Blading gravel roads
- Spot brining in various locations

2. State Trunkline

Patching holes in asphalt

Set up crack sealing project with MDOT

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-preparing bidding documents

Fountain Road-Gary & Ted attended a pre-construction meeting Thursday.

Bryant Road-G.I. to be held in May 18th with City of Ludington and MDOT

Hoague Road-Received word Thursday that project was approved for \$120,000 for 1 mile section.

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp. Grade inspection set up for May.

Larson Road-Sheridan Twp.-Clearing completed

Hasenbank Road-Meade Twp.-Graveling completed

Dewey Road-Sherman-Graveling completed

Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-Clearing in progress

Dewey Road-Victory Twp.-Grading in progress

Riggle Road-Riverton Twp.-Graveling in progress

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:
Converted anti-icing tank to water wagon
Other minor items
3. Permit activity during this period included:
Numerous driveway applications
P.M. Twp. has submitted plans to install water service in Juniper Hills subdivision
P.M. Twp. contractor has begun cleanup operation on Meyers Road work
4. Schoenherr Road-report from Appledorn's that they have removed fence and various vehicles from right-of-way.
5. Dittmer determining estimates for various Township local roads.
6. Dittmer sent out questionnaire to townships regarding communication. Have reviewed numerous responses to it.
7. Various crew members, on their own time, assisted Mason County Fair Association and Local 4-H on new horse area, MCRC provided assistance by use of motor grader.
8. MCRC shaped small area in Village of Fountain for the village.
9. Spot brining material has been used from Dow and from Nurnberg pit well.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. There are holes in driveway approach in front of K-Mart.
2. Had a complaint that trucks are bringing in feed to

- hog farm on Kinney road at night. Wondered if they had been checked to see if they are overweight.
3. Wondered if invitations had been sent from Upper Peninsula Road Builders Association and to Fish Fry.
 4. The top soil at Montrose Pit.
 5. The property east of Sorensen Excavating is available.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Stopped at Rest Area Friday night and discussed condition.
2. Discussed the repair of edge ruts at intersections.
3. Informational sign is bent on South Scottville Road by Major's Greenhouse.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

No comments

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m. for lunch.

The meeting resumed at 1:00 p. m. with all members present.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Discussion of fact finder meeting of April 27th in Grand Rapids.
2. Employee disciplinary action discussed.
3. Mark Lothrop on a leave of absence discussed.
4. MCRC to shape back portion of USFS pit. Harry's Dozer to do work.
5. Paul Bunyon meeting May 6th.
6. Gary made offer to Jeff Conklin who accepted the Engineering Tech. position.

MATERIALS BIDS

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to award the bid for seasonal materials in the best interest of Mason County Road Commission.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

AGREEMENT WITH USDA-USFS

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to sign agreement with USDA-USFS to pay half of the cost on Wilson and Hawley Road Projects.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. 1999 preliminary road goals for MCRC was distributed to the Commissioners.
2. Brian Lindman to be off beginning mid May for up to 6-8 weeks due to carpal tunnel surgery.
3. Gary to prepare bid documents for bituminous materials for the May 28th bid opening.
4. Proposed bid opening for Campbell Road June 11th.

Under correspondence the following was read:

1. Letter from Brian Lundberg, Riverton Twp. Supervisor, requesting Anthony Road, from Stiles Road west to old US31 be changed from a local road to a primary road.
2. CRAM newsletter
3. Letter of thanks from Mason Co. 4-H for grading at the fairgrounds.
4. Invite to fish boil.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.



Shirley Anthony, Secretary

May 14, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr.Dittmer, Sec.Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Louis & Betty Anderson

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the April 30th meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to approve the minutes of the April 30th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow,Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #10 (\$45,298.98) and warrant 47839 thru 47913 in the amount of \$170,016.07.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:45 a.m. the meeting was open to the public.

Louie and Betty Anderson discussed the invoice sent to the road commission and said the lawyer took \$3000 off his bill for services.

At 9:55 a.m. the Commissioners looked over the trial balance for April.

Terry Woirol came in to the meeting at 9:50 and discussed the excavator and bulldozer bids.

EXCAVATOR BID

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to award the bid for an excavator to Northern Equipment Company for a 1999 Badger self-propelled rubber-tired excavator at a price of \$162,500, no trade-in.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays:None. Motion carried.

BULLDOZER BID

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to award the bid for a 1999 D4C3 Caterpillar to Michigan Cat, at a price of \$60,500.00.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: Archer. Motion Carried.

SPREADER BID

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to award the bid for speaders to Miller Equip. Co. for 1 DoAl Box for \$9,300.00 and to Truck & Trailer Specialties for 1 Monroe Spreader for \$15,722.00.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

A. Maintenance**1. County Wide**

Patching holes in asphalt
Cutting brush with tractors
Tree crew out cutting trees
Blading gravel roads-in preparation for solid brining
Spot brining various locations

2. State Trunkline

Patching holes in asphalt
Gary set up crack sealing project for MDOT
Gary to set up Maintenance contract for shoulder repair on US-10/31 at cemetery.

B. Construction**1. Primary System**

Campbell Road-Advertisement out for bids.
Fountain Road-Project to begin after Memorial Day.
Bryant Road-GI to be held on May 18th with City of Ludington and MDOT.
Hoague Road-Plan preparation to begin later-Have been approved for Grant.

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp.-Letting date set for July 9th or early August.
Larson Road-Sheridan Twp.-G&DS to begin soon.
Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-G&DS in progress.
Dewey Road-Victory Twp.-Graveling in progress
Riggle Road-Riverton Twp.-Graveling in progress

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

Minor items
Working on cleaning up snowplows and various other items.

3. Permit activity during this period included:

Numerous driveway applications

P.M. Twp. has submitted plans to install water service in Juniper Hills subdivision.

P.M. Twp. Contractor has completed cleanup operation on Meyers Road work.

4. Schoenherr Road-Nothing new to report-will go out and look at the area this afternoon to see if it is cleaned up yet.
5. Dittmer determining estimates for various township local roads.
6. Shaping up portion of USFS pit in Irons area.
7. Dittmer, Merrill, and Archer attended Paul Bunyon meeting in Lake County Monday.
8. Dittmer and Thurow attended Mason County Comprehensive Planning meeting at the Ludington Senior Center.
9. Liquid Dust, Inc. to begin solid brining of local roads this weekend.
10. Gary Dittmer and Bob Thurow attended Riverton Township meeting Monday night.
11. Mark Lothrop is coming back to work Monday.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Concerned about the amount of money in county investments.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. At planning meeting citizen mentioned bump by house on Sugar Grove Road.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Went Wednesday and looked at the Gradall.
2. At the Branch Township board meeting Thursday night Pat Buckley asked about getting brine on the roads and someone said Benson Road had a gouge taken out of the blacktop.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. The next fact finding meeting for union will be held on July 15th and 16th in Ludington.
2. No new grievances.
3. Discussed disciplinary action taken against employee who attacked a fellow employee.
4. No new action taken on road abandonments.
5. Jeff Conklin to begin work next Monday.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Map was shown to Commissioners with goals for primary work to be considered for this year.

2. Brian Lindeman to be off beginning mid May for up to 6-8 weeks due to carpal tunnel surgery.
3. Gary to prepare bid documents for bituminous materials for a May 28th bid opening.
4. Proposed bid opening for Campbell Road June 11th.
5. Letter from Gayle Wright read requesting retirement from MCRC.

Gayle Wright Resignation

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to accept the resignation of Gayle Wright as of 5-14-99.

Yeas: Merrill, Archer, Thurow. Nays: None Motion carried.

6. The summer youth crew was discussed.
Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to hire Dick Abbey and the youth crew to work for the county this summer.

Yeas: Merrill, Archer, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

7. Hiring more full time employees was discussed. It was decided to contact two more employees from list of applicants interviewed for the job and determine if they were still interested in work at MCRC.

CUSTER TWP. PROJECTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to enter into a contract to Custer Twp. for Various Locations for 38% cal. chloride at \$3750.00 per application, Darr Road for Agg. Surfacing for \$15,000.00, Conrad/Reek Roads for Agg. Surfacing for \$10,000.00, Chauvez Road for Agg. Surfacing for \$5,000.00, Decker Road for Agg. Surfacing for \$10,000.00, Conrad Road for Bit. Surface for \$16,800, and Conrad Road to Pulverize, add. agg. and shape roadway for \$6,000.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

RIVERTON TWP. PROJECTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to enter into a contract with Riverton Twp. for Meisenheimer Road, Agg. Surf. at a cost of \$10,000, Morton Road, Agg. Surfacing for \$10,000, Brye Road, Agg. Surf. for \$10,000, Morton Road, Agg. Surf. for \$10,000, Brye Road, Single Seal for \$15,000, Appleton Road, Agg. Surf. for \$15,000, Kinney Road, Agg. Surf. for \$5,000, Morton Road, Inst. of Culvert, for \$18,140, Hogenson Road, Agg. Surf. for \$5,000, Wilson Road, Agg. Surf. for \$5,000, & Various locations for brine, \$15,000 per application.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried.

MEADE TWP. PROJECTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to enter into a contract with Meade Township for Bennett Road, Agg. Surf. for \$5,000.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

EDEN TWP. PROJECTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to enter into a contract with Eden Twp. for Meisenheimer Road, Agg. Surf. for \$10,000, Stella St. for Agg. Surf. for \$8,000, 38% Cal. Chloride on various roads for \$9,750 per appl. Chauvez Road, Agg. Surf. for \$5,000, Darr Road, Agg. Surf. for \$10,000, Darr Road, Agg. Surf. for \$5,000, and Ordway Road, Agg. Surf. for \$7,500.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

VICTORY TWP. PROJECTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to enter into a contract with Victory Twp. for Various locations, 38% cal. chl. at \$15,000 per application, and Dewey Road, Clearing & Grubbing, Grading, Drainage structures and agg. surf. for a cost of \$88,160.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:40 P.M.



Shirley Anthony, Secretary

May 28, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Betty & Louis Anderson

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the May 14th meeting.

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve the minutes of the May 14th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve Payroll #11 in the amount of \$44,752.12 and warrant No. 47914 thru 47975 in the amount of \$214,883.45.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried.

At 9:35 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:45 a.m. Betty and Louis Anderson discussed the condition of Schoenherr road and the invoice from their attorney for fees from a law suite by their neighbor.

At 10:00 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County wide

Patching holes in asphalt

Blading gravel roads-in preparation for solid brining and rebrining due to recent rains.

Spot brining various locations with MCRC equipment.

2. State Trunkline

Patching holes in asphalt

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Bid opening June 9th with award to be held on June 11th. 12 contractors have taken out plans.

Fountain Road-Project to begin June 7th.

Bryant Road-Plan preparation completed with Bid opening July 9th.

Hoague Road-Plan preparation to begin later.

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp.-Letting date set for July 9th or early August.

Larson Road-Sheridan Twp.-G&DS to begin soon.

Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-G&DS in progress

Dewey Road-Victory Twp.-completed

Riggle Road-Riverton Twp.-completed

Washington Rd.-Riverton Twp.-In progress

Meisenheimer Rd.-Riverton Twp.-completed

Tuttle Road-Eden Twp.-Graveling in progress

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

Minor items

Preparation of excavator for service

3. Permit activity during this period included:

Numerous driveway applications

4. Schoenherr Road-All items removed except Camper in yard, (to be removed by June 1st.)

5. Dittmer completed all estimates for various township local roads.

6. Due to wet weather, most of previous solid brining areas will need to be redone.

7. Badger excavator and Cat dozer are both in service and are doing very well.

8. In accordance with current bargaining agreement all not assigned equipment was opened for bid with various changes, and more to come.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Looked over the paving being done by Omans on the freeway in Oceana County.

2. Noticed the high grass being cut on the freeways in states south of Michigan.

3. Read letter from Mr. Jacobson regarding employment.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Read letter in paper in the open forum regarding road commission contract.

2. Noticed some holes in the blacktop that need patching.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Went to Amber and Sherman Township meetings last week.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Union negotiations were discussed. Next fact finding meeting to be held on July 15th and 16th in Ludington.
2. Dittmer contacted MDNR regarding Kinney road abandonment.
3. Brian Lindeman is off work for 6-8 weeks due to carpal tunnel surgery.
4. Discussed primary roads projects for the year.
5. There will be a health screening held on June 8th.
6. The summer youth crew will be working with Dick Abbey, no more than three employees to be hired.
7. Discussed hiring of additional full time employees.
8. Gary met with Cal Ackley, Drain Commissioner for Oceana County. Open forum meeting with David Mead and Bill Schuette, along with various property owners to discuss drainage issues and such.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Rick Bowman on lost time due to personal injury occurring at home, will be off 4-6 weeks.
2. Ludington EDC to host a Permits Meeting for the Meijer Corp. for property along US-10.

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP CONTRACTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to enter into a contract with Sherman Township for Stephens Road from Dewey to Millerton, agg. Surf. for \$10,000, Stephens Road From Fountain to Manales, Agg. Surf. for \$5,000 Decker Road, Agg. Surf. for \$10,000 and Fisher Road Agg. Surf. for \$10,000.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

SHERIDAN TOWNSHIP CONTRACTS

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to enter into a contract with Sheridan Township for Manales Road, Agg. Surf. for \$20,000 and Interlochen, Agg. Surf. for \$7500.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

PERE MARQUETTE TWP. CONTRACTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to enter into a contract with Pere Marquette Twp. for Snead Dr. shape roadway and agg. 6"CIP for \$6,000, Grace Ct. & Dawson Ave. bit. surface for \$10,000 and Snead Dr., Bit. Surface for \$4900.00

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

LOGAN TOWNSHIP CONTRACTS

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to enter into a contract with Logan Township for various roads, 38% calcium chloride for \$2250 each appl., Anthony Road, Agg. Surf. for \$10,000 and Tyndall Road, Bit. surf. for \$8400

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

BRYANT ROAD PLANS

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve the signing of plans for the Bryant Road Project. Located in Pere Marquette Township between Sherman Road and Jebavy Dr.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

VICTORY CORNERS BRIDGE PROJECT

Motion by Thurow supported by Archer to sign plans for Victory Corners Bridge Project. Crossing the N.B. of the Lincoln River, Project Number BRO-9953 (002) Job No. 47139.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.



Shirley Anthony, Secretary

July 9, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Archer at 10:00 a.m. Engr./Mgr.Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: Thurow

Visitors: None

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the June 25th meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to approve the minutes of the June 25th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve Payroll #14 (\$48,536.53) and warrant 48115 thru 48185 in the amount of \$137,891.89.

Yeas: Merrill, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:15 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 10:20 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Patching holes in asphalt
Second round of solid brining completed last week
Spot brining with MCRC equipment
Cutting grass on gravel roads

2. State Trunkline

Patching holes in asphalt
Grass cutting has been completed
Youth crew cutting grass at guardrails has been completed
MDOT contract working on US-10 highway and US-31 Freeway is progressing

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road--Construction began--clearing done, Grubbing in progress.

Fountain Road-Project work began progressing slowly
 Bryant Road-Bid opening August 4th
 Hoague Road-Plan preparation to begin later

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp. Bid opening set for August 4th
 Larson Road-Sheridan Twp.-G&DS in progress
 Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-G&DS in progress
 Freeman Road-Freesoil Twp. C&S in progress
 Beaune Road-HamlinTwp.-C&S in progress
 Brye Road-Amber Twp.-C&S in progress
 Kinney Road-Riverton Twp. graveling in progress
 Tuttle Road-Eden Twp.-graveling in progress
 Chauvez Road-Eden Twp. Graveling completed
 Fisher Rd.-Victory Twp. Graveling completed

3. State Highway Sytem

MDOT held GI on US-10 from Custer to Walhalla
 MDOT to hold GI on P.M. Hwy. on August 2nd.

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:
 - Minor items
 - Working on new root rake
 - New tandem trucks to be delivered soon
3. Permit activity during this period included:
 - Numerous driveway applications
 - G. Dittmer and T. Weinert are monitoring work on Pere Marquette Township water line.
4. Prison crew cutting grass along locals at guardrails.
5. G. Dittmer has been in contact with various suppliers for more and other locations for gravel.
6. Obtained crushed asphalt from R/R from US10 project.
7. G. Dittmer attended MCRCSIP board meeting last week.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Campbell Road discussed
2. Fatality by K-Mart discussed
3. Discussed intersection at Sugar Grove and US31.
4. Mary Nichols concerned about discussions at Riverton board meeting regarding Washington Road.
5. Smith, Roegge having golf party same day as McGuire classic.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Would like to see county start claying roads again.
2. Would like to see the stones brushed away from the intersection of Chauvez and Scottville Road.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Fact finding meeting to be held July 15th & 16th in Ludington. Gary met with Mike Kluck to discuss meeting.
2. Gayle Wright grievance discussed.
3. No new action on any road abandonment issues.
4. Reservations made for MCRC SIP annual meeting.
5. Mason County Emergency Management generator discussed.
6. Discussed opinion from attorney regarding billing from Anderson's regarding Schoenherr Road.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Discussed possible retirement of union employee.
2. Paul Bunyon meeting to be held in Oceana County Aug. 2nd.
3. Invitation sent regarding McQuire open on Aug. 5th.
4. Rick Bowman is back to work after approx. 6 weeks off, due to personal injury.

Under correspondence the following was read:

1. CRAM newsletter
2. Anonymous letter sent to manager and commissioners.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTAND VILLAGE OF FOUNTAIN

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Village of Fountain, regarding the Fountain Road construction project.

Yeas: Merrill, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

June 11, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr.Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Louis & Betty Anderson, Mary Nichols, Gerard Wadel, Tim Murphy, Nick Matlash, Chad Waldo, Jess Steed & Ron Worden

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. read the minutes of the May 28th meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to approve the minutes of the May 28th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve Pay #12 (\$44827.63) and warrant 47976 thru 48048 in the amount of \$177,624.64.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

BIDS FOR CAMPBELL ROAD OPENED 6-9-99

Schultz Excavating-Bid Bond	Clearing & Grubbing	9500.00
	Machine Grading	20199.75
	Top soil	14420.00
	Seeding & Mulching	<u>1750.00</u>
	Total:	\$45869.75
DeVere Randall-Bid Bond	Clearing & Grubbing	7000.00
	Machine Grading	23437.50
	Top soil	15400.00
	Seeding & Mulching	<u>3850.00</u>
	Total:	\$49687.50
Jabrocki Excavating-Bid Bond	Clearing & Grubbing	10000.00
	Machine Grading	35002.50
	Top soil	19600.00
	Seeding & Mulching	<u>5000.00</u>
	Total:	\$69602.50

Hallack Contracting-Bid Bond	Clearing & Grubbing	10000.00
	Machine Grading	30000.00
	Top soil	14000.00
	Seeding & Mulching	<u>7070.00</u>
	Total:	\$61070.00
C &D Hughes-Bid Bond	Clearing & Grubbing	14000.00
	Machine Grading	75000.00
	Top soil	16800.00
	Seeding & Mulching	<u>3150.00</u>
	Total:	\$108950.00
Sorensen Excavating-Check	Clearing & Grubbing	9000.00
	Machine Grading	21000.00
	Top soil	18200.00
	Seeding & Mulching	<u>1750.00</u>
	Total:	\$49950.00
C. Petersen & Eikenberg-Bid Bond	Clearing & Grubbing	9050.00
	Machine Grading	45375.00
	Top soil	5040.00
	Seed & Mulch	<u>5407.00</u>
	Total:	\$64872.50

At 9:30 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:45 a.m. Mary Nichols, Riverton Twp. Treasurer, discussed Riverton Townships 1998 contracts that didn't get completed in 1998. She, also, discussed the brining on the roads not being consistant, wondered if Bradshaw road had been prepped for sealcoat and wondered if Washington Road could be made a primary road because of the high usage by residents.

At 9:55 a.m. Louie & Betty Anderson discussed the letter they are waiting for from our lawyer regarding their bill from their lawyer.

At 10:00 a.m. bids were open for the following:

BITUMINOUS PULVERIZING

Elmer's Crane & Dozer	58,000 sq.yds.	.27 cents per syd
Wadel Stabilization	58,000 sq.yds.	.23 cents per syd
J & M Enterprises	58,000 sq. yds.	.22 cents per syd
Bernie Johnson Trucking	58,000 sq. yds.	.27 cents per syd

ASPHALT EMULSION

Koch Materials	HFRS-2	.5033 per gal
	HS-2A	.5033 per gal
	SSIH	.6333 per gal
	MS2H	.7033 per gal
	MSOP	.8033 per gal
	HFRS	.8233 per gal
Thompson McCully Oil	HFRS-2	.539 per gal
	HS-2A	.539 per gal
	SSIH	.60 per gal
	MS2H	.85 per gal
	MSOP	.90 per gal
	HFRS	No bid

BITUMINOUS PAVING

Omans Contracting	13A 22680 ton	25.10/ton
	Base Cse 700 mix 300 ton	25.10/ton
	Temp. pavement marking	.50 ft.
	removing bit. surface 300 ft	5.00/syd
	Total:	\$580,633.00
Rieth-Riley	13A 22680 ton	25.07/ton
	Base Cse 700 mix 300 ton	24.79/ton
	Temp. pavement marking	.50cft.
	removing bit. surface 300ft	2.00/syd
	Total:	\$578,809.60
Elmer's Crane & Dozer	13A 22680 ton	25.50/ton
	Base Cse 700 mix 300 ton	26.50/ton
	Temp. Pavement marking	50 ft.
	Rem. bit surface	8.00/syd
	Total:	\$591,175.00

All bids will be tabulated with an award to be June 25th.

At 10:20 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Patching holes in asphalt

Next round of solid brining will be week of June 23rd

Spot brining various locations with MCRC equipment

Had 4 mowers out for two weeks.

Youth crew started Tuesday.

2. State Trunkline

Patching holes in asphalt

Measuring portion of US-31 freeway for ruts for MDOT.

Contracts signed for crack sealing on US-10 and FM Hwy

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Bid opening June 9th with award today.

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to award the bid for Campbell Road to Schultz Excavating in the amount of \$45,869.75, conditional that performance bonds be provided and necessary insurance coverage, and company qualifications be provided.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Fountain Road- Project to begin June 14th
Bryant Road-plan preparation completed with bid opening to follow.
Hoague Road-plan preparation to begin later

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp.-Letting date set for July 9th or early August.

Larson Road-Sheridan Twp.-G&DS to begin soon.

Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-G&DS in progress

Washington Road-Riverton Twp.-graveling in progress

Bean Road-Custer Twp.-graveling in progress

Anthony Rd.-Logan Twp.-Graveling in progress

Appleton Rd.-Riverton Twp.-graveling completed

Meisenheimer Rd.-Riverton Twp.-graveling completed

Tuttle Rd. Eden Twp.-graveling completed

Ordway Rd.-Eden Twp.-graveling completed

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

Other minor items

Working on building new root rake

3. Permit activity during this period included:

Numerous driveway applications

Dittmer and T. Weinert attended P.M. Twp.

Construction meeting for water project; and attended Meijer Corp. permit meeting.

4. Schoenherr Road-All items removed, no new information from attorney, except for court documents.

5. Dittmer completed all estimates for various township local roads.

6. In accordance with current bargaining agreement all not assigned equipment was opened for bid with various changes still happening.

7. Mowing along primaries at this time with 4 units.

8. Youth crew working along primaries at this time on guard rail mowing.

9. Prison crew cutting grass along local roads at guard rails

10. New employee Gerry Boon began work this last Monday.

11. MCRC stockpiling gravel at C. Peterson & Sons for use in southern area of county.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Discussed changing classification of Jagger Road from local to primary.
2. Would like to see more parity in the townships for local projects.
3. Going to Escanaba next week to the U.P. Roads Builders Association meeting.
4. Would like to see continuation of road abandonments that are still on file.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Has had truckers coming to his house this last week and they have mentioned the road name ahead signs on the primaries has been very useful.
2. Stickneys mentioned Sippy Road in good shape. Anthony road was spot brined and not all the way like some of the other roads in the area.
3. Discussed the use of outside truck repair shops and their cost for repairs.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Would like to see mowers working 10 hours a day.
2. Wondered if any new developments on union contract.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Fact finding meeting to be held on July 15th & 16th in Ludington for union negotiations.
2. No new action on any road abandonment issues.
3. Brian Lindeman still off due to carpal tunnel surgery.
4. Health screening seminar was held on June 8th.
5. Discussed unfilled foreman position.
6. MCRCSIP annual meeting to be held July 21st & 22nd at Shanty Creek.
7. Discussed Sec. of State Miller's figures.
8. Discussed possible gravel purchases from Bob Peters.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. CRAM Newsletter
2. Letter from Oceana County Road Commission regarding legal fees.
3. Retirement letter from Shirley Anthony
4. Information on funding distribution
5. Letter from PM Twp. regarding corridor improvement

ENGINEERING REIMBURSEMENT

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to have the Commissioners sign authorization for engineering reimbursement from Michigan Department of Transportation for \$10,000.00.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried

SHIRLEY ANTHONY RETIREMENT

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill that retirement on 12/31/99 be accepted with regret from Clerk Shirley Anthony.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

AMBER TOWNSHIP ROAD CONTRACTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to award contracts for Amber Township for Various locations, 38% cal. chloride, for \$5530 per appl., Brye Road, Pulverize and add agg. and shape, for \$7000, Brye Road, Bit. surface for \$13,500, First St. single seal, for \$2500, Chillberg sub. for single seal for \$6,000, Cedar Lane, pulverize and add agg. for \$11,700, Cedar Lane, bit. surface for \$12,000, and Dennis Road bit. surface for \$39,000.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer Nays: None. Motion carried

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP ROAD CONTRACTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to award contracts for Summit Township for Montgomery Blvd. Bit. overlay for \$16,800, Anderfind Dr., Pulverize, add agg. for \$10,500, Anderfind Dr. Bit. Surface, For \$12,040, Deren Road, for Bit. overlay for \$30,800 and South Lakeshore Dr. for Agg. Surf. for \$1500.00.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

MEADE TOWNSHIP ROAD CONTRACTS

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to award contract for Meade Township for Ried Road, Clearing, Grubbing, Grading, Drainage structures for \$51,143.00.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Shirley Anthony Shirley Anthony, Secretary

July 23, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Archer, Merrill, Thurow. Engr. Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony
Thurow arrived at 9:20 a.m.

Absent: None

Visitors: None

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the July 9th meeting.

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve the minutes of the July 9th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve Pay #15 (\$49,836.79) and warrant 48186 thru 48255 in the amount of \$198,663.27.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:45 a. m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:55 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Second round of solid brining completed
Spot brining various locations with MCRC equipment
Cutting grass on gravel roads

2. State Trunkline

MDOT contract work for US-10 highway completed.
MDOT to hold GI on P.M. Hwy. on August 2nd. at P.M. Twp hall

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Construction began, clearing done,
grubbing in progress-grading work in progress
Fountain Road project work began, progressing slowly
Bryant Road-Bid opening August 4th
Hoague Road-Plan preparation to begin later

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge, Victory Twp., bid opening set for August 4th.

Larson Road, Sheridan Twp.-G&DS in progress

Decker Road, Hamlin Twp. G&DS in progress

Freeman Road, Freesoil Twp.-C&S in progress

Beaune Road, Hamlin Twp., C&S in progress

Brye Road, Amber Twp., C&S in progress

Kinney Road, Riverton Twp. graveling completed

Tuttle Road, Eden Twp. graveling completed

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

Work on new root rake completed

New tandem trucks have been delivered and being worked on

New single axle trucks are in and will be delivered soon

3. Permit activity during this period included:

Numerous driveway applications

G. Dittmer & T. Weinert are monitoring work on P.M. water line.

4. Prison crew cutting grass along locals at guardrails.

They are working in Harbor Dr. in Summit Township.

5. G. Dittmer and D. Archer attended the MCRCSIP annual meeting this week.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Didn't see any road name ahead signs in Carr Settlement area.

2. Discussed spraying weeds with "Round Up" along guard rails.

3. Noticed grader on south side of Wilson road all week.

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Would like a detailed list of the township contracts.

2. Discussed MCRCSIP meeting Wed. & Thurs.

3. Discussed Victory Corners Bridge bid opening on Aug. 4th

4. Discussed road Ed Moffit wants abandoned.

5. Talked about prisoners doing work along guard rails.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Would like to see the claying of roads started

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Discussed fact finding meeting held on July 15th in Ludington.

2. Nothing new on union grivances.
3. No new action on any road abandonment issues.
4. Mason Co. Emergency Mgt. generator discussed.
5. It will be at least Sept. before Brian Lindeman will be back to work.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Paul Bunyon meeting to be held in Oceana County Aug. 2nd.
2. Refund from MCRCSIP for 1999/2000 is \$284,147.37
3. Discussed possible contracting of state rest area.

2 NEW PICKUPS

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to buy 2 pickups from the state purchase program, one 1/2 ton 2 wheel drive and one 3/4ton 2 wheel drive.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

SHIRLEY ANTHONY HEALTH INS. & SICK LEAVE

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to pay 1/2 of the blue cross on retirement for Shirley Anthony until she is 65 years old and pay 1/2 of accumulated sick leave on retirement.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CONTRACT SHERMAN TOWNSHIP

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to enter into a contract with Sherman Township for 38% Calcium Chloride in the amount of \$13,125.00.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Clerk

August 6, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Bill Meloney, Norman Floyd, Patrick Broderick, regarding Meade Twp. and Gene Morgan regarding Harbor Drive in Summit Township.

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the July 23rd meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to approve the minutes of the July 23rd meeting.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Thurow supported by Archer to approve Payroll #16 (\$49645.84) and warrant 48256 thru 48324 in the amount of \$99,036.36.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:25 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:35 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Spot brining various locations with MCRC equipment.
Dittmer to supply map to set up brush spraying.
Cutting grass on gravel roads

2. State Trunkline

G.I. held on Pere Marquette Hwy. last week
Held final review on US-10 project

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Construction began, grading in progress, graveling to be done by contractor.
Fountain Road-Project work began progressing slowly, contractor is working in village portion of project.

Bryant Road-Bid opened August 4th, Low bid contractor Nashville Construction.

Hoague Road-Plan preparation to begin later.

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp. bid opened Aug.

4th.-Low bid contractor Prince Bridge

Larson Road-Sheridan Twp., G&DS in progress

Decker Road-Hamlin Twp., G&DS in progress

Freeman Road-Freesoil Twp., C&S in progress

Brye Road-Amber Twp., C&S to be done today.

Fair Oaks Sub.-Branch, Gravel in progress

Montgomery Blvd. Summit Twp., bit. paving in progress

Ehler Road-Hamlin Twp., Bit paving to be done today

Manales Road-Sheridan Twp., graveling in progress

Interlochen Road-Sheridan Twp., graveling in progress

Beaune Rd.-Hamlin Twp.-C&S completed

Anderson Rd.-Grant, graveling completed

Dawson Sub.-PM Twp., paving completed

Sass Road-Grant Twp., graveling completed

White Road-Grant Twp., graveling completed

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

Other minor items

Have been working on new tandem trucks

New single axle trucks are in Grand Rapids and will be delivered soon.

Preparing work on sealcoating equipment.

3. Permit activity during this period included:

Numerous driveway applications

Gary had two meetings with Meijer Corp.

4. Prison crew cutting grass along locals at guardrails.

5. Catch basin cleanout to be done by contractor next week.

At 10:15 a.m. the meeting was open to the public

Bill Meloney, Meade Twp. Supervisor, had several questions regarding where the road commission got their funding for roads. He, also, discussed the next phase of work to be done on Campbell Road and funding by the township for the next phase.

Norman Floyd and Patrick Broderick discussed the next phase for Campbell Road and funding for the project.

Mr. Gene Morgan, from Birch Harbor Subdivision came in to discuss a "Children at Play" sign he would like to have put up at Birch Harbor. He was referred to Summit Township Supervisor.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Had a discussion with Koch Materials regarding the timing of MCRC sealcoating.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Wondered if the road commission checked school bus signs to see if their was still children getting the bus by the signs.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Need to get out and blade the roads again.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Handed out revised document Wednesday to union stewart, contract to be voted on next Wednesday August 11th.
2. No update on grievances
3. No new action on any road abandonment issues.
4. Paul Bunyon meeting held in Oceana County was not very well attended.
5. Discussed new pickup purchase-will have to wait until at least September to order thru state purchase plan.
6. Discussed billing from MDOT for Freeman Road project.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Landon Road improvement contract to be bid was discussed.
2. Gravel purchase agreement with Harry's Exc. was disussed

Under correspondence a letter was read from CRAM

BRYANT ROAD CONTRACT

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to sign a contract with Michigan Department of Transportation for Bryant Road Contract #99-5323, Control Section STUL53432, Job#48690; 50749.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

August 20, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr.Dittmer, Sec.Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Etta Brown, Sandy Mesyar

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the August 6th meeting.

Motion by Thurow supported by Archer to approve the minutes of the August 6th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays:none Motion carried

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve Payroll #17 (\$48,180.86) and warrant 48325 thru 48396 in the amount of \$170,017.31.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:35 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. MAINTENANCE

1. County Wide

Spot brining various locations with MCRC equipment
Brush spraying to begin soon by contractor
Cutting grass on gravel roads completed to date
Youth crew cutting grass along guard rails-to be done by next mid week
Blading various roads as time and people are available
Contractor completed cleanout of catch basins in county

2. State Trunkline

Completed repairs of washout along US-10 at cemetary

B. Contruction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Construction began, grading in progress, graveling to be done by contractor

Fountain Road project work began progressing slowly-
contractor working in village
Bryant Road precon meeting set up for next Friday
Hoague Road plan preparation to begin later

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp.-Pre-con meeting
set for next Friday.
Decker Road-HamlinTwp.-G&DS in progress
Freeman Road-Freesoil Twp.-C&S in progress
Brye Road-Amber Twp.C&S to be done today
Fair Oaks Sub.-Branch-gravel in progress
Montgomery Blvd.-Summit-Bit paving in progress
Manales Road-Sheridan Twp.-graveling in progress
Wilson Road-Riverton Twp.-Agg surface in progress
Anderfind Road-Summit Twp.-C&S-completed-bit surface
in progress
Interlochen Road-Sheridan Twp.-graveling completed
Ehler Road-Hamlin-Bit paving completed
Larson Road-Sheridan Twp.-G&DS completed
Hogenson Road-Riverton- Agg. surface completed
Freeman Road-Grant Twp.-Agg. surface completed

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

Minor items
New tandem trucks-working on various items
New single axle trucks are in and will be delivered
soon
#96 loader drive shaft problem and various leaks
repaired
#61 tractor has a noise in the transmission
#35 dump had the clutch go out
Brian Lindeman came back to work Monday

3. Permit activity during this period included:

Numerous driveway applications
Gary Dittmer and T. Weinert are monitoring work on
Meijer Corp. development.

4. Youth crew to complete summer work by Wednesday of this
next week.
5. Prison crew has not been working for the last few weeks
due to their work at the fairgrounds.
6. Motor grader operator and machine worked on fairground
track last weekend, on private time.

At 10:00 a.m. the meeting was opened to the public.

Etta Brown and Sandy Mesyar discussed abandoning Water and
Eighth Streets in Hamlin Township. Pictures and maps were
shown. They left at 10:45 a.m.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. There is a new house being built next to Montrose Pit.
2. Discussed Victory Corners Bridge with Bruce Lowing at a meeting in Grand Rapids.
3. Discussed rutting on freeway with paving contractor.
4. Discussed mailbox policy

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Noticed there was damage on Wilson Road done by loggers.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Discussed land on Scottville road that sold for \$50000 for 5 acres.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Looked over union contract and discussed. Vote held by employees to accept contract.
2. Joseph Fiers is new union steward and Duane McCumber his assistant.
3. Ron and Gary looked at Darr Road after the meeting on Aug. 6th.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Northern Michigan Association meeting to be held 9-8 thru 9-10-99.
2. Discussed CRASIF annual meeting
3. Letter read from MCRCSIP regarding mistake in refund.

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill that the liability refund that has to be paid back to MCRCSIP be deducted from further refunds in the amount of \$73897.00.

- Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays:None Motion carried
4. Discussed letter from Pere Marquette Township regarding closing Carr Street.
 5. Discussed Drug/Alcohol testing results
 6. Discussed class Ted will be attending in Seattle to learn survey programs on the computer.
 7. Discussed soil contamination site.

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to table proposal from Lakeshore Environmental until further notice.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried

VOTING MEMBER CRAM MEETING

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to authorize Dean Archer to be a voting member for CRAM meeting and Ron Merrill to be an alternate.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried.

LANDON ROAD BIDS OPENED 8/18/99

C. Petersen & Son & Eichenberg & Sons	
1. Clearing & Grubbing	\$15000
2. Machine Grading	74400
3. Agg. Base	18430
4. Soil Erosion	<u>1400</u>
Total:	\$122236

Bid Bond included

DeVree Randall & Son, Inc.	
1. Clearing & Grubbing	\$10000
2. Machine Grading	102300
3. Agg. Base	22800
4. Soil Erosion	750
Total:	\$144530

Bid Bond included

C. & D. Hughes, Inc.	
1. Clearing & Grubbing	\$15000
2. Machine Grading	139500
3. Agg. Base	37050
4. Soil Erosion	5880
5. Class II	<u>1100</u>
Total:	\$198530

Bid Bond included

Schultz Exc.	
1. Clearing & Grubbing	\$12000
2. Machine Grading	74024
3. Agg. Base	34675
4. Soil Erosion	24418.80
5. Class II	<u>2200</u>
Total:	\$147318.80

Bid Bond included

LANDON ROAD BID

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to award the bid for Landon Road to C. Petersen & Son & Eikenberg & Son in the amount of \$122,236.00.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried

SCOTTVILLE US-10

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to petition the state Department of Transportation to make US-10 a three lane through the city of Scottville.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

VICTORY CORNERS BRIDGE CONTRACT

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to have Chairman Merrill and Vice-Chairman Thurow sign a contract with Michigan Dept. of Transportation for Victory Corners Bridge, Project #99-5341, Control Sec. BR053015, Job #47139.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

BRANCH TOWNSHIP CONTRACT

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to enter into a contract with Branch Township for Landon Road for grade, drainage structures and agg. base in the amount \$26,820.

Yeas; Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

HAMLIN TOWNSHIP CONTRACT

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to enter into a contract with Hamlin Township for Ehler Road. Bit Overlay surface cse. in the amount of \$16524.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

September 2, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr.Dittmer, Sec.Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: None

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the August 20th meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to approve the minutes of the August 20th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #18, (\$52,679.91) and warrant 48397 thru 48459 in the amount of \$245,595.92.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:40 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Spot brining various locations with MCRC equipment
Brush spraying by contractor
Cutting grass on primary roads begin again
Blading various roads as time and people are available

2. State Trunkline

Patching pot holes at various locations
Doing shoulder work

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Grading completed, graveling in progress
Fountain Road-Work progressing slowly-various problems
Bryant Road-Precon meeting held-work to begin after holiday on Washington than move to Bryant Road
Hoague Road-Plan preparation to begin later

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp.-Pre-con meeting
 held-work to begin after holiday
 Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-G&DS in progress
 Freeman Rd.-Freesoil Twp.-C&S in progress
 Brye Road-Amber Twp.-C&S, paving completed, shoulders
 in progress
 Montgomery Blvd.-Summit-Bit paving in progress
 Manales Rd.-Sheridan Twp.-graveling in progress
 Decker Rd.-Sherman Twp.-graveling in progress
 All sealcoating projects completed
 Wilson Road-Riverton Twp.-Agg surface completed
 Anderfind Road-Summit Twp.C&S -completed, Bit Surface
 in progress
 Fair Oaks Sub.-Branch-gravel completed
 Landon Road-Branch Twp.-Precon meeting held Thursday,
 work to begin week of Sept. 13th.

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:
 - Minor items
 - Working on new tandem trucks
 - New single axle trucks are delivered
 - #99 loader radiator repairs
 - #61 tractor-Truck transmission repairs by Mick's in
progress
3. Permit activity during this period included:
 - Numerous driveway applications
 - G. Dittmer & T. Weinert are monitoring work on
Meijer Corp. Development
4. Youth crew completed summer work for 1999. They did
an excellent job this year.
5. Prison crew has returned after working for the last
few weeks at the fair grounds.
6. Bituminous paving contractor to return after the holiday
7. Bit. crushing contractor to return after the holiday
8. Friday is holiday to all employees

The Commissioner's gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Noticed Beaune Road was pulverized now, wondered if the
road commission was doing further shaping.
2. Looked over a large job in Manistee County from Brethern
to US31.
3. Darr Road needs some brine put down, it is dusty.
4. Read the article in Ludinton Daily News about replacing
the two bridges.
5. Talked to Jerry Boon on P.M. Highway, he was picking up
trash.
6. Talked to Etta Brown regarding signatures for the
abandonment of Water Street.

7. Wondered if the road commission was going to advertise for the pickups soon.
8. Noticed a man spraying the brush along the road with a backpack.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Wondered where the road commission purchased rye seed.
2. Drove US31 south of 10 and it was dusty by Towns Const.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

No comments

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. There has been no word from the fact finder as to the status of the union contract.
2. Joe Fiers is the new union steward and Duane McCumber his assistant.
3. Discussed grievance from Joe Fiers
4. No more done on road abandonments
5. Have gotten 25 applications for clerk's job so far
6. Discussed Carr Street road abandonment

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. The Northern Michigan Association annual meeting is Sept. 8 thru 10th.
2. Listed candidates for CRASIF board of directors
3. Read proposal for culvert liner for Hansen Road
4. Read proposal for testing of beams for Victory Corners Bridge.
5. Need to hire a foreman before winter

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to advertise for a new foreman.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays:None Motion carried

Under correspondence the following was read:

1. Letter from Ron DeKook regarding PA 51 study committee.

RESOLUTION PLACEMENT OF UTILITIES

RESOLUTION APPROVING PLACEMENT OF UTILITIES WITHIN COUNTY ROAD RIGHT OF WAY

WHEREAS, the Mason County Drain Commissioners has received a request to accept a proposed extension of the Eagle School Drain, a legally established county drain currently traversing lands located in Section 18 of Amber Township (T18N,R17W) Mason County, Michigan, pursuant to Section 433 of the Michigan Drain Code of 1986, as amended, and;

WHEREAS, the planned extension of the Eagle School Drain will, in part, be located within the road right of way on the east side of Brye Road in Amber Township (T18N,R17W) and will extend to the north 1/8 line of said Section 18, and;

WHEREAS, the developer also wishes to extend sanitary sewer and water service unto the subject property, and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the laws of the State of Michigan, the consent of the Mason County Board of Road Commissioners is required for the use of county roads for the construction of any utilities within the right of way of such roads, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Road Commissioners finds that the extension of said county drain and the installation of public sanitary sewer and water is in the best interests of the residents of the County and will not interfere with Brye Road;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Road Commissioners hereby consents to the installation of said public utilities within the right of way of Brye Road, as shown on plans approved by Road Commission staff, in accordance with the Michigan Drain Code and other applicable statutes.

Ayes: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. nays: None Motion carried

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

September 17, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Archer, Merrill, Thurow. Engr./Mgr.Dittmer,Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Larry Hall, Donald Foley

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the September 2nd meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to approve the minutes of the September 2nd meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill,Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #19 (\$49,053.40) and warrant 48460 thru 48532 in the amount of \$167,279.96.

Yeas; Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:25 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 10:00 Larry Hall and Donald Foley, from Whiskey Creek Condominium resort, came in to the meeting to discuss the condition of Sippy Road. They would like to see the road widened and brush cut around the curves. They would, also, like to have a "Slow Children Sign" put up and a road name sign put up at the corner of Woods Trail and Sippy Road.

At 10:00 a.m. Member Archer left the meeting.

At 10:15 a.m. Shop Foreman Terry Woirol came in to the meeting to discuss bids on underbody cutting blades. The following bids were taken for underbody cutting blades:

Standard unit	St. Regis	AIS	Hyde Paper	Calmenson
3/4"x8"x6'	28.68	29.93	29.92	28.14
3/4"x8"x7'	33.46	34.91	34.91	32.83

Alt Bids

Extra Edge

1/2x3/4x8"x6'

27.84

1/2x3/4x8"x7'

32.48

	St. Regis	AIS	Hyde	Paper Calmenson
Hardened				
3/4x8"x6'	38.34	38.76		
3/4x8"x7'	44.73	45.21		

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to award the bid for 440+ underbody grader and motor grader blades cutting edges to Paper, Calmenson & Co.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Terry also discussed getting the new trucks ready to get on the road, and Brian back to work and doing well in the shop.

SURPLUS EQUIPMENT SALE

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to take the following surplus equipment to an auction sale given by Oceana County Road Commission:

#08 1984 Chevrolet Pickup #172 1976 Fruehauf Brine tank
 #84 1989 Case hyd. Backhoe #63 1978 IHC Truck-Tractor
 #155 1988 Swenson 10 yd. sander #122 1972 Fruehauf Dump
 Trailer and Miscellaneous truck bumpers, fuel tanks and
 tires.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:45 the Commissioner gave their report as follows:

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. There was a deep edge rut on Scottville Road south of Scottville by Conrad Road.
 Note: G. Dittmer stated that it was fixed by start of meeting this date.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

No comments

Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. MAINTENANCE

1. County Wide

Spot brining various locations with MCRC equipment
 Brush spraying by Kevin Ackley
 Cutting grass on primary roads
 Blading various roads as time and people are available

2. State Trunkline

Patching pot holes at various locations
 Cutting grass along north end of county
 Contract to seal cracks along various locations of
 P.M. Highway and US10
 Dittmer to set up a contract to place 720 to 750 tons
 of bituminous along P.M. highway.

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Grading completed, graveling completed
 Fountain Road-Work progressing slowly, Contractors
 back to work Thursday, purchasing slag stone from MCRC
 Bryant Road-Work to begin on Washington, then move to
 Bryant Road afterwards
 Scottville Road-Bit. Crushing and Shaping in progress
 Lakeshore Dr.-Bituminous surface completed-shoulders
 in progress
 Darr Road-Bituminous surface completed-shoulders in
 progress
 East Hoague Road-Bituminous surface completed
 shoulders in progress
 West Hoague Road-Plan preparation to begin later

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp. Work began-
 north abutment removed, piling to begin Monday
 Anderfind Road-Summit Twp.-C&S-completed, bit surface
 in progress
 Freeman Road-Freesoil Twp.-C&S in progress
 Dennis Road-Amber Twp.-C&S in progress
 Cedar Lane-Amber Twp.-C&S in progress
 Deren Road-Summit Twp.-Bituminous surface completed
 Decker Road-Hamlin Twp.-G&DS completed
 Brie Road-Amber Twp.-Paving completed, shoulders
 completed
 Montgomery Blvd.-Summit-Bit paving completed
 Manales Rd.-Sheridan Twp.-graveling completed
 Decker Road-Sherman Twp.-graveling completed
 Landon Road-Branch Twp.-Work to begin week of Sept.
 20th

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

New tandem trucks
 #99 loader radiator repairs completed
 #62 tractor-truck engine repairs by Duthler Truck

3. Permit activity during this period included:

Numerous driveway applications
 Gary Dittmer monitoring work on Meijer Corp.
 development

4. Dittmer, Archer and Thurow attended Northern Assoc. of Rd. Commissions meeting last week

5. Sold approx. 600 tons of 25A slag to Elmer's Crane and Dozer for use on Fountain Road.

6. Purchased 5,000 cyds. of 22A gravel from Harry's Dozer Service in Oceana County
7. Plan to install culvert liner in 30-inch culvert on Hansen Road.
8. Settlement has developed on Hansen Road west of Dennis Road in sag area

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Union negotiations update report read from fact finder
2. Update on union grievances
3. Nothing new on road abandonments
4. 43 people have sent in applications for Clerk/Sec.
5. Ted to attend class on CAD work in Oregon next week

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Gary met with Riverton Township residents to discuss road work they would like to have done in the future

AGREEMENT WITH CAMP SAUBLE PRISON CAMP

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to authorize Engr./Mgr. Dittmer to sign public works agreement with Michigan Department of Corrections for Camp Sauble for fiscal year 1999-2000.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Shirley Anthony Shirley Anthony, Secretary

October 1, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr.Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Ed Mortensen

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the September 17th meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to approve the minutes of the September 17th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Archer, Thurow Nays: None. Motion carried

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #21 (\$51,987.91) and warrant 48533 thru 48600 in the amount of \$237,123.91.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:35 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Spot brining various locations with MCRC equipment
Brush spraying completed by Contractor
Cutting grass on primary roads
Blading various roads as time and people are available

2. State Trunkline

Patching pot holes at various locations
Cutting grass completed thru out county
Contractor sealed cracks along various locations of P.M. Hwy. and US10.
Contractor to place 720 to 750 tons of bituminous material along P.M. highway.
State trunkline budget for year 2000 discussed.

1. Primary System

Campbell Road-Work completed

Fountain Road-Work progressing slowly, contractor now at least 20 days in liquidated damages

Bryant Road-Work to begin on Washington then move to Bryant Road.

Masten Road-Bituminous leveling in progress

Kinney Road-Bituminous leveling in progress

Y West Hoague Road-Plan preparation to begin later

Scottville Road-Bit. Crushing & shaping completed-

Bit. paving in progress

Lakeshore Dr.-Bituminous surface completed-shoulders in progress

Stiles Road-Bituminous surface completed-shoulders in progress

Darr Road-Bituminous surface completed-shoulders completed

East Hoague Road-Bituminous surface completed-shoulders completed

2. Local System

Victory Corners bridge-Victory Twp.-Work began, abutment removed, piling in place on north side.

Anderfind Dr.-Summit Twp.-C&S completed, Bit. surface completed, shoulders in progress

Freeman Road-Freesoil Twp.-G&DS in progress

file Dennis Road-Amber Twp.-C&S completed, Bit. Surface completed, shoulders in progress

Cedar Lane-Amber Twp.-C&S in progress

Deren Road-Summit Twp.-Bit. surface completed, shoulders in progress

Landon Road-Branch Twp.-work to begin next week

Dewey Road-Victory Twp.-Clearing in progress

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

New tandem trucks-working on various items, will soon be ready to paint boxes

New single axle trucks are delivered-one was sent to Truck and Trailer for preliminary work.

3. Permit activity during this period included:

Numerous driveway applications

G. Dittmer is monitoring work on Meijer Corp. development-Brye road section has been closed, except for local traffic

4. Surplus equipment auction will be held on October 9th in Hart.

SALE TRUCK #49 VILLAGE OF FOUNTAIN

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to sell Truck #49 to the Village of Fountain for \$5500.00.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Had complaint that Decker Road by Jebavy is rough

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Discussed east gate at Dow opening on P.M. highway
2. Got calls from Etta Brown regarding closing Water St. in Hamlin Township.
3. Attended the G.O.P. Leadership Conference on Mackinaw Island

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Would like to see more blading done

At 10:45 a.m. the meeting was open to the public

Ed Mortensen, from Crystal Lake, discussed Cedar Lane. Said that a 12" culvert is buried that drains the water from his property. He would like to see it replaced.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. A petition was provided for Water Street abandonment. Mr. McMullen contacted Gary and Etta Brown, Realtor discussed the abandonment.
2. A map was shown regarding an abandonment for Mavis Rd.
3. Have not started interviews yet for Clerk's position.
4. Ted attended class on CAD work in Oregon last week.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Resolution from Mason County Farm Bureau in support of road funding proposals.

Correspondence

1. Newsletter from CRAM

FOUNTAIN ROAD AMENDMENT

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve amendment to Contract #99-5066 EDDF53555, Job #46157 for Fountain Road.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

UNION CONTRACT

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to agree with the recommendations made by the fact finder and to sign union contract, for the period of 1/1/98 thru 12/31/2001.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

FOREMAN

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to promote Vince VanConis to foreman at a starting salary of \$31,000, with reviews at 6 month intervals, effective 10/1/99.

Yeas: Thurow, Merrill, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

October 15, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: Thurow

Visitors: Gil Hoffman, Neil & Pat Finley, Chet & Joy Schutt and Lom Stapley

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the October 1st meeting.

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve the minutes of the October 1st meeting as corrected.

Yeas: Merrill, Archer Nays: None. Motion carried

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to approve Payroll #21 (\$49,244.99) and warrant 48602 thru 48675 in the amount of \$450,613.07.

Yeas: Merrill, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried

At 9:35 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet, the local projects sheet, and the trial balance for September.

At 10:00 a.m. the meeting was open to the public

A group from Cartier Lake, Stephanie St. off Millerton came in to discuss getting Millerton Road between Manales & Campbell Road repaired. A petition had been sent in to the Road Commission with 30 signatures in July asking that the road be repaired.

At 10:15 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Grass cutting on primary roads has been completed
Blading various roads as time and people are available
Brining as necessary
Sprayed South Scottville road brush

2. State Trunkline

Patching pot holes at various locations
Blading shoulders

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Fountain Road-Work almost completed, contractor now at least 25 days in liquidated damages

Bryant Road- Work began on Bryant Road this last week
Milling done on Wednesday and hauled to MCRC yard

Mastin Road-Bituminous leveling completed-shoulders in progress

Kinney Road-Bituminous leveling completed-shoulders in progress

West Hoague Road-Plan preparation to begin later

Scottville Road-Bit. crushing & shaping completed-Bit. paving completed-shoulders in progress

Lakeshore Dr.-Bituminous surface completed-shoulders completed

Stiles Road-Bituminous surface completed-shoulders completed

2. Local System

Victory Corner's Bridge-Victory Twp. Work began, abutment removed, piling in place, abutments have been poured

Freeman Road-Freesoil Twp.-C&DS in progress

Dennis Road- Amber Twp.-C&S completed, Bit. surface and shoulders completed

Cedar Lane-Amber Twp.-C&S in progress

Deren Road-Summit Twp.-Bit. surface completed, shoulders completed

Landon Road-Branch Twp.-Work in progress

Dewey Road-Victory Twp.-Clearing in progress-Hired Malburg to cut trees

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

New tandem trucks are almost completed

New single axle trucks being work on

3. Permit activity during this period included:

Numerous driveway applications

G. Dittmer monitoring work on Meijer Corp. Development

4. Used equipment auction went well, everything sold that was taken to auction on October 9th in Hart.

5. Settlement has developed on Hansen Road west of Dennis Road in sag area.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Noticed a hole in east Sugar Grove Road last week.
2. Wondered who sign technician reports to every day.
3. Went to weir at Manistee to see fish last Sunday.
4. Would like to see roads taken off county map that don't exist as yet and have name of neighboring county roads put on map.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Would like to see the rest area bids advertised soon.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Letter read from Attorney Roger Anderson regarding Water Street abandonment and resolution to abandonment of Water street signed.
2. The board signed the union contract for 1998-2001 and the Letter of Understanding regarding 4-10 hour days.

WATER STREET ABANDONMENT

Motion by Archer seconded by Merrill to accept the Resolution of Abandonment for that portion of Water Street lying between Block Fifty-six (56) and Block Fifty-seven (57) between 8th Street and 9th Street in the Plat of Hamlin Lake Resort, Hamlin Township.

Yeas: Merrill, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried

2. Interviews are to start next week for the clerk's position.
3. Discussed gravel proposal from Peters, decided not to do anything at this time.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. City of Ludington to meet next week to discuss putting a new road thru on Lawndale Ave.
2. Paul Bunyon meeting will be held Nov. 1st in Newaygo County.
3. Mason County Twp. Officers meeting Oct. 21st. in Grant
4. Southern Michigan Association of Road Commissioners meeting to be held Dec. 4th thru 6th.
5. John Walters is coming Oct. 21st to discuss pension and deferred compensation.

Under correspondence the following was read:

1. CRAM newsletters
2. It will be at least 3 weeks before state will be awarding contracts for state vehicles.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

October 29, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Al Villadsen

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the October 15th meeting.

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to approve the minutes of the October 15th meeting as revised.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts;

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #22 (\$115,507.25) and Vo. #48676 thru 48753 in the amount of \$137,137.69.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:35 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

Work progress during the past two weeks included:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Centerline painting in progress
R/R Crossing advance warning painting completed
Blading various roads as time and people are available

2. State Trunkline

Patching pot holes at various locations
Blading shoulders
Retro pay for MDOT portion in 1999 completed

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Fountain Road-Work completed-contractor now working on punch list
Bryant Road-Bit. leveling course completed, shoulders and top course in progress
Mastin Road-Bit. leveling and shoulders completed
Kinney Road-Bit. leveling and shoulders completed

West Hoague Road-Plan preparation to begin later
 Scottville Road-Bit. crushing & shaping and Bit.
 paving and shoulders completed.

Reek Road-Bit. surface and shoulders completed.

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp.-beams have been
 set, approach work in progress

Freeman Road-Freesoil Twp.-G&DS completed

Cedar Lane-Amber Twp.-C&S, Bit. surface & shoulders
 completed

Morton Road-Riverton Twp.-Culvert replacement complete

Conrad Road-Custer Twp. C&S Bit. Surface & shoulders
 completed

Landon Road-Branch Twp.-Work in progress, Bit. surface
 to be complete by Monday

Dewey Road-Victory Twp.-Clearing completed, grading in
 progress

Indiana St.-Hamlin Twp.-Bit. surface in progress

2. Equipment repaired during this period included:

New tandem trucks-both are completed & in service
 New single axle trucks-working on various items,
 units are about 60-70% complete

3. Permit activity during this period included:

Numerous driveway applications

G. Dittmer is monitoring work on Meijer Development

G. Dittmer has been monitoring work on Nelson Road
 sanitary sewer

Permit request for driveway access along Sippy Road
 for subdivision on Babbin property.

4. Bob Larsen has been sick for the past week and is now back to work.

5. Will be sending Penske truck back this next week.

6. John Walters was here last week to meet with the men.

7. Have received generator from Sheriffs Department.

8. Have cleared USFS property for gravel preparation.

9. Talked to other sources regarding buying gravel from them

10. Met with City of Ludington and PM Twp. regarding putting
 a new road thru on Lawndale Ave.

At 10:15 a.m. the meeting was open to the public

Al Villadsen came in to discuss a portion of Darr road that he
 would like to have closed. Two letters read from locals regarding
 wanting road closed.

Superintendent Moody came in to the meeting at 11:00 a.m. to
 discuss the need for more employees for the winter for
 snowplowing. He said Gary VanderWall and Jim Durfee went to a
 snowplow rodeo. He also discussed the projects that were
 completed for the year and the need for another Vee-bottom to
 replace #127.

MOTION TO HIRE NEW EMPLOYEES

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to hire up to three new employees.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MOTION TO PURCHASE VEE-BOTTOM PUP

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to purchase a Vee-Bottom pup to be built by Yale Steel.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Discussed 30 signature complaint about Milleton Road.
2. Got a call from Ben Moore regarding Bryant Road.
3. Would like to see the roads crowned more.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Discussed complaint about inconvenience of several roads in the same area being closed at the same time.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Won't be able to go to the Paul Bunyon meeting Monday.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Discussed interviews with applicants for Clerk's job.

Motion by Archer supported by Merrill to hire Mary Acker as the new clerk at a starting salary of \$30,000.00 a year.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. There will be a Paul Bunyon meeting Nov. 1st. at Fremont
2. Put a signup sheet out for flu shots to any employee who requests one.
3. Man from MERS is coming on Nov. 4th to talk to employees
4. Night shift people have been assigned to go into effect on Nov. 15th.
5. Eric Moody will be on vacation next week
6. Gary Dittmer will miss the next board meeting Nov. 12th
7. Discussed gravel proposals from various sources

8. Halliday's to be in pit in the next 1 to 2 weeks.
9. Discussed purchasing a new van
10. Meeting with MCRCSIP on Nov. 4th to discuss harrassment in the workplace.
11. Meeting to be held with MDOT regarding P.M. Hwy. next Monday.

Under correspondence the following was discussed:

1. CRAM newsletter
2. American Snow conference meeting in April, they want road commissions to sponser conference.

JAMES MCINTOSH RETIREMENT

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to accept the letter of retirement from James McIntosh for retirement based on his compensation for vacation and sick leave be paid in 1999.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

USFS AGREEMENT

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to have Engr./Mgr. Dittmer sign an agreement with USFS to make gravel in USFS pit.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

November 12, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Anthony, Sec. Acker, Asst. Sec.

Absent: Engr./Mgr. Dittmer

Visitors: None

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Asst. Sec. Acker read the minutes of the October 29th meeting.

Motion by Thurow supported by Merrill to approve the minutes of the October 29th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Merrill, supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #23 (\$58,766.49) and Vo.#48754 thru 48827 in the amount of \$441,218.79.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. the Board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

Eric Moody arrived at 9:30 a.m. to present an update.

1. Three of the four new trucks are out and assigned, the fourth almost ready.
2. There were 18 trees moved on Eiler Road.
3. The Bridge is almost done. Hit springs in roadway and had to excavate.
4. Salt is all in.
5. Will start putting gravel on Landon Road tomorrow, the fill is all in.
6. Getting plow schedule ready.
7. Winter patrol starts this weekend.
8. Dewey road looks good. Are mulching today.
9. Vince has been doing very well.
10. Discussed lawsuit for Drott.
11. Hired new employee, Ed Chase. He worked for Hallack.
12. Had one bid package taken out for rest area.
13. Paving jobs are completed, a small drainage project in Hamlin to be completed.
14. #174 Brine Truck is in Muskegon to be painted.

15. One man in Forest Service pit removing stumps, etc.
16. Fountain Road is almost done.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Questioned cost of 32% brine in storage tank.
2. Commented on cost of the Blue Cross monthly bill.

MEMBER THUROW

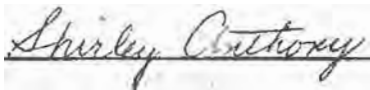
1. There are pot holes on first mile east of Scottville Road on Chauvez Road.

MEMBER MERRILL

No comment.

Communications were read from Thomas Stephens and Virgil Bruesch regarding road closures.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.



Shirley Anthony, Secretary

November 24, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E. State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer, Sec. Anthony

Absent: None

Visitors: Al Villadsen, Cathy Berndt, Ron Campbell, Trish Shurlow
Laurie Topping, John Levichas

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the November 12th meeting.

Motion by Thurow supported by Archer to approve the minutes of the Nov. 12th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #24 (\$52,439.77) and Vo. #48828 thru 48894 in the amount of \$60,137.07.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:15 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

At 9:25 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Blading roads as people and equipment available.

Sand barrells

Calibrating sanders

Terry, Gary & Ron visited Kent Co. Rd. Commission and observed anti-icing equipment

2. State Maintenance

Met with Highway supervisor regarding winter maintenance.

Dittmer sent letters regarding culda-sac on Carr St.

Dittmer sent letter regarding 3 lanes thru Scottville

P.M. Twp. is requesting enhancement grant for old

US31 and freeway.

B. CONSTRUCTION

1. Primary System

Completing paperwork on 1999 projects and working on plans for year 2000.

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge will be done soon.

Dewey Road is completed

Beaune Road will be done in the spring

Riverton Twp. had projects left over that will be done in the spring.

3. Equipment repaired in the last two weeks included:

1. Mechanics are is working on frame for generator
2. Mechanics are working on the 4th truck, it will be done next week.
3. Mechanics are working on getting snow plows and sanders ready for winter.

4. Employees

1. Two new hires started this week, Ed Chase and Dick Larson
2. Eric Moody is in the hospital from an accident at home.
3. Joe Vaclavik has been confined to working in the building until further notice, due to health reasons.

5. Permits

1. Meijer Corporation permits discussed
2. P.M. sewer project at Nelson Road completed
3. Driveways applications discussed

6. Copy of new snow plow routes was given to the commissioners

Night patrol has started for the season

7. Two new pickups have been ordered.

At 9:50 a.m. a group discussed a petition by Al Villadsen to abandon a portion of Darr Road. After a lengthy discussion by both sides of the issue and discussion by board members the following motion was made:

Motion by Archer supported by Thurow to deny the petition as presented to abandon a portion of Darr Road in Sherman Township.

Yeas: Thurow, Archer. Nays: Merrill. Motion carried.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Rest area bid was opened on November 19, 1999. The following bids were received:

Scientific Contractors, Inc.	\$91,786.32
Blohm Janitorial Service	88,630.00

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to reject all bids for rest area maintenance opened on November 19, 1999.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

2. The 1998-2001 union contract was signed by the commissioners.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. A Christmas party will be held at Gibbs on 12-17-99.
2. Discussed two possible law suits pending-Mr. Leverson and Mr. Debois.
3. An insurance agent with Combined Ins. Co. met with employees this week to discuss insurance at their own expense.
4. Hamlin Twp. residents would like the name changed on the following roads:

Motion by Merrill supported by Archer to change of name of Robert Street and George Street to Robert Road and George Lane. Provided this is in agreement with Hamlin Township and the Mason County Equilization Dept.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Commissioners gave their report as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Wondered if barricade barrells had been returned yet.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

No Comments

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Drove the new blacktop roads, they looked good.

CHANGE OF BANK NAME

Motion by Merrill supported by Thurow to add Clerk Mary Acker's signature on West Shore Bank card.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Shirley Anthony

Shirley Anthony, Secretary

MINUTES

December 10, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E State Street, Scottville, Michigan.

Present: Merrill, Thurow. Engr/Mgr. Dittmer, Sec Anthony and Acker.

Absent: Archer.

Visitors: Pat Broderick, Norman Flood and Gene Jorissen, P.M. Twp. Supervisor.

Chairman Merrill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Engr./Mgr. Dittmer read the minutes of the November 24th meeting.

Motion by Thurow, supported by Merrill to approve the minutes of the November 24th meeting as read.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Merrill, supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #25 (\$64,847.36) (It was noted that the increase in payroll was due in part to the payment of excess sick leave to eligible employees), and Voucher #48895 thru 48979 in the amount of \$196,824.71.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:20 a.m. the board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

Bud Hall Retirement

Motion by Thurow, supported by Merrill to recognize the accomplishments of retiring Supervisor Herbert Hall, of Amber Township.

Yeas: Merrill, Thurow. Nays: None Motion carried.

At 9:30 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Blading various roads as time and people are available.

Cutting brush and trees.

Hauling 2ns sand from pit to yard.

2. State Trunk Line

Patching pot holes at various locations.

Blading shoulders.

Removing sand from M-116 shoulders.

G. Dittmer prepared Enhancement Grant funding request for the planting of trees and shrubery along P.M. Hwy at the request of P.M. Twp.

B. Construction

1. Primary Systems

Fountain Road-Work completed- Final paperwork in progress.

Bryant Road-Work completed-Final paperwork in progress.

West Hoague Road-Plan preparation-In progress.

Freesoil Road-Plan preparation-In progress.

Millerton Road-Plan Preparation-In progress.

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge-Victory Twp. Road opened for winter, final work to be completed by June 1, 2000.

Landon Road-Branch Twp.-Work Completed.

Dewy Rd-Victory Twp-Work completed except for addition of 3 inches of gravel to be placed next Spring.

Indiana St.-Hamlin Twp.-Bit. Surface-Completed.

Most Township projects are complete.

2. Equipment repaired during this period.

New Single axle trucks-final stages of completion.

Generator-work continuing on unit. Is on skid waiting for Gilcrest to wire.

Sanders ready.

3. Permit activity during this period.

Numerous driveway applications.

G. Dittmer is monitoring work on Meijer Corp. Developmnt.

4. Dittmer discussed with the City of Ludington and PM Twp. proposed Lawndale Street project.

5. Halliday processing gravel in USFS pit.

6. G. Dittmer attended MCRCSIP meeting Wednesday and Thursday.

7. E. Moody is back to work as of 12-09-99.

8. Guardrail has been installed on the following locations by Contractor-HAWLEY Rd., WALHALLA Rd., and Stiles road.

9. The employee Holiday/Safety luncheon was held today in the lunch room.

At 9:50 the meeting was opened to the public.

Pat Broderick requested that the 2nd phase of a 5 year program be put into place for Campbell Road. He stated that this would eliminate 3 dangerous curves. Norman Floyd stated that there is no assistance from the local board and that he would like to see this project get underway.

Other concerns discussed were the intersection of Campbell and Skocelas Roads. Mr. Floyd stated there was no stop sign on Skocelas. Gary Dittmer will check this out.

Gene Jorissen on behalf of Pere Marquette Township was present. There was discussion on whether or not to support the change of Wallace Road from being a private road to a public road. The Mason County Road Commission will back the Township on their decision. No change had been determined at this time.

Under old business the following was discussed.

1. The guard rail has been completed on Darr Road Bridge.
2. Have received 2 applications for the Rest Area but no decision has been made yet.
3. Levenson has filed a lawsuit with regards to Jackson Road.
4. Deb Stautler, of Combined Insurance met with employees to discuss disability insurance. She has signed up 8 people so far at employees expense.
5. The annual \$250.00 payment for deferred comp had inadvertently been left out of the contract but has been revised and placed back in the contract. Note: The matching payment was made this date.

Under new business the following was discussed.

1. Preliminary Budget Amendment No 1 for 1999.
2. Meeting Schedule for 2000. The next meeting will be held Tuesday December 21, 1999 because of the Christmas Holiday.
3. Christmas staff meeting Friday December 17, 1999
4. G. Dittmer to review Employee Evaluations and prepare wage recommendations for next meeting.

There was discussion on getting bids from local dealers for an All-Wheel Drive Van.

The Commissioners report was as follows.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Wondered where the flatbed trailer was going out of town with iron. Gary said it was probably going to Leonards.
2. Guard rail on Kinney road still needs repairing.

3. Mentioned accident on Hansen and Stiles road - Death occurred.
4. Noted that Ambar is selling Chloride and discussed pricing.
5. Checked out road by the Meijer development.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Noticed that chipper was out today. Going to various areas.
2. Questioned status of Joe Vaclavik.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at
11:13 p.m.

Shirley Anthony Shirley Anthony, Secretary

MINUTES

The December 21, 1999 regular meeting of the Mason County County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E State Street, Scottville Michigan was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Ron Merrill.

Present: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Eng/Mgr Dittmer, Sec. Anthony and Acker.

Absent: None.

Visitors: None.

Eng/Mgr Dittmer read the minutes of the December 10th, 1999 meeting.

Motion by Merrill, supported by Thurow to approve the minutes as amended. Ayes all. Nays: None Motion carried.

The board took the following action after reviewing the Payroll and Bills Payable Accounts:

Motion by Archer, supported by Thurow to approve Payroll #26 (\$55,132.42) and Voucher #48980 thru 49048 in the amount of \$225,593.16. Ayes all. Nays: None Motion carried.

At 9:33 the board looked over the Contingent Liability revenue sheet.

At 9:50 a.m. Engr./Mgr. Dittmer gave his report as follows:

A. Maintenance

1. County Wide

Hauling 2ns sand from pit to yard. (About 12,000 yards hauled in).

Snow and Ice control - Getting crews out OK

Snow funds for 1999 have been received in the amount of \$107,230.18.

2. State Trunkline

Snow and Ice control

Order backup salt for 2000 prior to Jan 1, about 1200 ton.

Meeting with MDOT today to scope US-10 from Walhalla to Custer for next years work.

B. Construction

1. Primary System

Fountain and Bryant Road - Work completed and final paperwork in progress.

West Hoague, Freesoil and Millerton Roads Plan Preparation in progress.

2. Local System

Victory Corners Bridge, Victory Twp. - Road opened for winter, final work to be completed in Spring. Obtaining surveys and right of ways for various projects.

2. Equipment repaired during this period.
New single axle trucks-Completed and in service.
Anti-Icing equipment in service and working.
Generator work continuing on unit.
3. Permit activity during this period.
Numerous driveway applications-Work suspended for winter.
G. Dittmer is monitoring work on Meijer Corp. Development.
4. Halliday processing gravel in USFS pit completed. (excess of 20,000 yards).
5. Guardrail has been installed on Kinney Road at Schwass.
6. Items to Web Leonard were items needing repair-rebuilding underbodies.
7. DOW-Armor anti-iceing material has been delivered.
8. R. Merrill and G. Dittmer attended Amber Twp meeting last night in honor of Retiring Bud Hall of Amber Township.

Under old business the following was discussed:

1. Update on Darr Road, Wt. limits installed.
2. Update on various lawsuits-Leverson and DeBoise, Nothing new to report at this time.
3. Wallace Road issue-Nothing new to report.
4. G. Dittmer to prepare bid specs on Staff Van.

Under new business the following was discussed:

1. Discussed Health problems concerning various employees.
2. County wide Task Force meeting scheduled for next week to discuss what to do with State and Federal Funds.
3. Staff wage recommendations for 2000 were presented to the Commissioners for their review.

CORRESPONDENCE

American Snow conference meeting will be held in April. A recommendation will be made at a later date.

The Commissioners report was as follows:

MEMBER ARCHER

1. Questioned the accident on Hansen and Stiles of two weeks ago.
2. Mentioned the sign was gone from the corner of Darr and Decker Roads.
3. Would like to send good luck letter to Al Hardman for his participation in the upcoming Iditerod.

VICE-CHAIRMAN THUROW

1. Reported that several interested parties regarding the Kinney Road closure has requested that he meet with them and Judge Cooper. No appointment has been made yet.

CHAIRMAN MERRILL

1. Ralph Hendricks inquired about a brush pile on Campbell Road.
2. The Kirschner pit will need landscaping.
3. Inquired about a Badger-third arm for machine.

G. Dittmer discussed the purchases made in 1999 and went over a list for possible purchases for 2000.

The Revenue and Expenditure Amendment #1 was presented and discussed.

Motion by Merrill, supported by Archer to approve the Budget Amendment #1 for 1999 as adjusted.

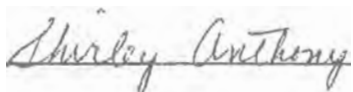
Ayes: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None

The Revenue and Expenditure Proposed Budget for 2000 was presented and discussed.

Motion by Thurow, supported by Merrill to accept the proposed 2000 Budget as adjusted.

Ayes: Merrill, Thurow, Archer. Nays: None.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.



Shirley Anthony, Secretary

MASON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

1-1-99 TO 12-31-99

Revenue

	1998	1999	Amend#1
License & Permits	4,100	4,000	2,500
Federal Sources:			
"F" Funds	-0-	-0-	149,000
Critical Bridge (85%)	-0-	-0-	425,600
TED Funds	-0-	-0-	242,080
State Sources:			
Engineering	10,000	10,000	10,000
Snow Removal	85,000	90,000	107,000
Urban Road	90,000	90,000	90,000
Allocation	3,025,000	3,025,000	3,080,000
State Critical Bridge	-0-	300,000	79,800
TED Funds	-0-	-0-	438,080
Enhancement Grant (Landon)			31,000
Economic Development Fund:			
Rural Primary (D)	-0-	500,000	-0-
Forest Road (E)	48,300	50,000	48,300
Urban Area (F)	38,000	-0-	-0-
Rural Target (A)	57,000	150,000	-0-
Small Urban	-0-	300,000	-0-
Contributions from Local Units:			
Township Contributions	475,000	475,000	700,000
Other Fountain Village	4,300	-0-	60,520
Ludington City			225,000
Charges for Services:			
Trunkline Maintenance	600,000	600,000	540,000
Trunkline Non Maintenance	-0-	-0-	-0-
Salvage Sales	2,300	2,500	750
Interests & Rents:			
Interest Earned	40,000	40,000	50,000
Other Revenues:			
Gain/Loss on Equip. Disp.	70,000	50,000	58,000
Total:	4,549,000	5,386,500	6,337,630
Fund Balance 12/31/98	689,489	700,000	1,227,715
Total	5,230,429	6,386,500	7,565,345

MASON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

1-1-99 to 12-31-99

EXPENDITURES

	1998	1999	Amend#1
Heavy Maint.-Roads			
Primary	475,000	1,200,000	1,425,000
Local	950,000	950,000	1,305,000
Maintenance-Roads			
Primary	750,000	750,000	800,000
Local	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,110,000
Heavy Maint. Structures			
Primary	-0-	50,000	-0-
Local	5,000	300,000	532,000
State Trunkline Maint.	600,000	600,000	540,000
State Highway-Other	-0-	-0	-0-
Equipment Expense-Net	50,000	50,000	50,000
Admin. Expense-Net	165,000	175,000	185,000
Capital Outlay-Net	50,000	75,000	183,000
Debt Service			
Principal Payments	56,000	60,000	62,000
Interest Expense	17,000	5,000	5,800
Distributive Expense		-0-	-0-
Total Expenditures	4,118,000	5,215,000	6,197,800
Fund Balance	1,120,429	1,171,500	1,367,545
Total Budget:	\$5,238,429	\$6,386,500	\$7,565,345

Exp1999

MASON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

1-1-00 TO 12-31-00

Revenue

	1999	2000
License & Permits	2,500	4,000
Federal Sources:		
"F" Funds	149,000	0-
Critical Bridge (85%)	425,600	-0-
TED Funds	242,080	-0-
State Sources:		
Engineering	10,000	10,000
Snow Removal	107,000	110,000
Urban Road	90,000	90,000
Allocation	3,080,000	3,080,000
State Critical Bridge	79,800	-0-
TED Funds	438,080	-0-
Enhancement Grant (Landon)	31,000	-0-
Economic Development Fund:		
Forest Road (E)	48,300	48,300
Contributions from Local Units:		
Township Contributions	700,000	500,000
Other Fountain Village	60,520	-0-
Ludington City	225,000	50,000
Charges for Services:		
Trunkline Maintenance	540,000	600,000
Salvage Sales	750	2,000
Interest & Rents:		
Interest Earned	50,000	40,000
Other Revenues:		
Gain/Loss on Equip. Disp.	58,000	70,000
Total:	6,337,630	4,604,300
Fund Balance	1,227,715	1,350,545
Total	7,565,345	5,945,845

MASON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

1-1-00 TO 12-31-00

EXPENDITURES

	1999	2000
Heavy Maint-Roads		
Primary	1,425,000	1,200,000
Local	1,305,000	950,000
Maintenance-Roads		
Primary	800,000	750,000
Local	1,110,000	1,000,000
Heavy Maint Structures		
Primary	0-	50,000
Local	532,000	-0-
State Trunkline Maint	540,000	600,000
Equipment Expense-Net	50,000	50,000
Admin Expense-Net	185,000	200,000
Capital Outlay-Net	183,000	225,000
Debt Service		
Principal Payments	62,000	2,500
Interest Payments	5,800	2,500
Distributive Expense		-0-
Total Expenditures	6,197,800	5,030,000
Fund Balance	1,367,545	924,845
Total Budget	7,565,345	5,954,845

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