

Meetings Attended:

Mr. Suma stated that he had attended the Blue Water Highway Council Meeting and heard a presentation from MDOT regarding the Michigan Heritage Routes. Mr. Suma also explained that there was also a tour of Jensen Bridge and Supply Company.

Mr. Suma stated that he and Mr. Duckert attended the M-53 Corridor meeting and the main topic of discussion was the road closure at Hollow Corners Road. Mr. Suma explained that there would be some repair work this fall and then next summer the road would be closed again for the replacement. There was also discussion regarding the mill and fill from I-69 to the south county line.

Managing Director Report:

Mr. Pearson stated that he had also attended the Blue Water meeting and added that there was also a presentation from Sahr Insurance regarding WeatherBill, a custom weather coverage program. Mr. Pearson also stated that he was meeting with MDOT on Thursday and was holding an informational meeting for the bus superintendents at Vo-Tech. Mr. Pearson explained that the used grader bid was due on November 12, 2009 and snow removal bids were due on November 20, 2009. Mr. Pearson stated that he had received the Letter of Understanding from the Sheriff Department for the Weighmaster position and would like to review it further on November 30, 2009.

Engineering Report:

110409-166

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve TCO#3(12)2009- In accordance with the Engineer's recommendation, that Newark Road over Pine Creek between Wilder Road and Five Lakes Road be posted as Closed to All Traffic. Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

110409-167

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve TCO#1(07)2009- In accordance with the Engineer's recommendation, that Hollow Corners Road over a tributary of the Talmage Drain, located between Rochester Road and Bohlman Road in Dryden Township, be posted as 3 Ton Weight Limit/No Trucks. Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

110409-168

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve TCO#1(15)2009-In accordance with the Engineer's recommendation, that Gardner Road over the S. Branch Flint River between Hendrie Road and Brocker Road in Metamora Township be posted 20 Ton GVW limit. Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Mainz explained that he had attended the Public Hearing at the County Complex for the KAMAX Haul Route. Mr. Mainz explained that the Community Development Grant has been approved, but there hasn't been any word on the MDOT Category A Grant.

Mr. Mainz also spoke about the approved Imlay City Road Stimulus project and the Federal Aid Project set for 2010.

Mr. Doyle spoke about the 2010 High Risk Rural Road projects which include Lake Pleasant Road at Lum Road (Permanent signing upgrades and stop rumble strips); Genesee Road from Maple Leaf Road to Hadley Road (Centerline rumble strips, tree removal and permanent signing upgrades); Hadley Road from Lippincott Road to Genesee Road (Guardrail installation and tree removal); and Burnside Road from Oliver Road to Laur Road (Guardrail installation, tree removal, and permanent signing upgrades).

Mr. Doyle asked the Board for approval to attend an overnight training session December 6-8, 2009. Mr. Doyle stated that he will provide his own travel and meals if the Road Commission will cover the registration and hotel. Mr. Doyle explained that the training includes soil and concrete inspections and geo-synthetic applications.

110409-169

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve the overnight lodging for Mr. Doyle to attend the “Improving Public Works Construction Inspection Skills” conference December 7 and 8, 2009. The Road Commission will cover the registration fee of \$795 and hotel cost up to \$100. Mr. Doyle will cover the cost of the travel and meals. Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Weighmaster Report

Deputy Smith explained that truck traffic has slowed down except for the hauling of products from the south. Speeding continues to be an issue on M-53, and trucks are running the back roads while Newark Road is closed.

Board Discussion

Rogers Road Abandonment

Mr. Hodge explained that the comment period has ended for the consideration of abandoning Rogers Road. Mr. Hodge explained that no comment had been received from Burlington Township. Mr. Meinz, County Highway Engineer, recommended that the abandonment be denied.

110409-170

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to deny the request for abandonment of Rogers Road. Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

It was stated that a no fee permit can be requested to clear the trees and brush within the right of way of Rogers Road.

Public Time

Mr. Richard Brandt, Hadley Township

Mr. Brandt asked the Board about the right of way in Hadley and the sidewalks that fall into that right of way. Mr. Brandt explained that they would like to replace a couple sections of the sidewalk. Mr. Doyle stated that they should get a permit to complete this repair work.

Mr. Duckert stated that he was happy to hear that the rumble trips on M-53, at the lane shift, could be filled in with the poly-patch material to reduce the noise for the residents nearby.

110409-171

Motion by Mr. Suma seconded by Mr. Duckert to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 a.m.
Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Douglas Hodge, Chairman

Linette Daily, Board Secretary