

OGEMAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES OF
Wednesday, July 2, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Ogemaw County, Michigan, was held at its office 1250 S M-33 West Branch, Michigan, and was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Vice-Chair Klint Marshall, Commissioner Dan Winter

Staff Present: Managing Director Pat Reinke, Board Clerk Brandy Curtis, Superintendent Kurt Trout

In Attendance: Churchill Township Supervisor Ken Schnautz, Edwards Township Supervisor Rob Kowalski, Edwards Township Clerk Korey Kripli, Edwards Township Treasurer Eileen Fournier, Mills Township Resident Jim Allen, In Support of Bass Lake Randy Short and Kurt Denstedt

Absent: Chair Van Sheltrown

Pledge of Allegiance:
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Additions to the Agenda:
Edwards Township – Greenwood Road and Stillwagon Road Intersection

Motion by Winter, supported by Marshall, to approve the addition to the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:
The minutes of June 18, 2025, were reviewed. There are no additions or corrections, so the minutes stand as submitted.

Approval of Payroll and Payable Vouchers:
Motion by Winter, supported by Marshall, to approve and pay payroll voucher #2538 and payable voucher #2543 for \$510,492.26. Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comment:
Kurt Denstedt requested an update on Bass Lake Road encroachment.

Churchill Township Supervisor, Ken Schnautz, drove Lake Ogemaw and stated the recent overlays look good.

Unfinished Business:
None

New Business:
Edwards Township Supervisor, Rob Kowalski, approached the Board to discuss the options of a four-way stop at the intersection of Greenwood Road and Stillwagon Road due to the increase in Amish within the community and the number of Amish children who walk to school in the dark. Reinke reviewed the requirements for a four-way stop. Based on the engineering studies and traffic counts, this section of road does not meet the specifications to warrant a four-way stop.

Reinke reviewed the survey estimate from J Card Surveying for the area near 4314 Tee Lake Road in Edwards Township. Motion by Marshall, supported by Winter, to accept the J Card Surveying quote for \$1,400.00 to survey the portion around the well and provide a certificate of survey map for Tee Lake Road in Edwards Township. Roll call vote: Ayes: Marshall, Winter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board received Mills Township's private road maintenance and upgrade agreement for LaPlante Street. Motion by Winter, supported by Marshall, to approve the private road maintenance agreement with Mills Township for LaPlante Street in the North Shores Heights to include 66' in Huffman's Add No. 2 to Crystal Beach Park from May 1, 2025, to May 1, 2030, and private road upgrade agreement as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Marshall, Winter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Curtis reviewed the Skilled Mechanic's and Mechanic's job descriptions with the Board.

Motion by Winter, supported by Marshall, to approve the Skilled Mechanic's job description as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Winter, supported by Marshall, to approve the Mechanic's job description as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Reinke and Trout reviewed the 2026 capital outlay draft. Reinke and Trout answered questions from the Board. Motion by Marshall, supported by Winter, to approve the 2026 capital outlay draft as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Marshall, Winter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Reinke reviewed an invoice from MJ Hick Inc for the stairway construction of the pit renovation project. Motion by Marshall, supported by Winter, to approve the invoice from MJ Hicks Inc. for \$4,230.00 for the fabricated stairway in the pit shop. Roll call vote: Ayes: Winter, Marshall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Information and Reports:

Reinke updated the Board on the status of the pit garage door parts replacement.

Reinke and Trout updated the Board road reports, employees, and plow inventory.

Public Comment:

Churchill Township Supervisor informed the Board of potholes on Flint Court in the Lake Ogemaw area.

Jim Allen, Mills Township resident, stated the mowing looks good down M-76

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the Board of Road Commissioners, Ogemaw County, Vice-Chair Marshall adjourned the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Signed: _____
Klint Marshall, Vice-Chair

Attest: _____
Brandy Curtis, Board Clerk