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GOODLAND TOWNSHIP
TOWNSHIP BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
July 26, 2021

A special meeting of the Goodland Township Board was held at the Goodland Township Hall, located at 2374 N Van Dyke Rd, Imlay City, MI 48444; pursuant to notice duly posted.

Board Members Present: Ron Cischke, Mavis Roy, Lou Parsch, Matt Van Dyk, Bob Van Den Berg
Board Members Absent:
Others Present: Larry Kohler, Michael Bissett, Jason Putnam and Destain Gingell from the LCRC, Stephen Groat, Lynne Foltz, George Foltz, Jeff Ragle, Todd Townley, Joe Duquette, Betty Burton, and Amy Nolin, Recording Secretary

Supervisor Cischke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A prayer was held, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Road Commission projects, Bohms Rd bridge, Attorney responses to ordinance questions, and planner bids.

AGENDA

Motion 07-21-08TB

Motion by Parsch, seconded by Roy, to approve the agenda as amended with the addition of Blight as item E.

MOTION CARRIED.

Bohms Rd Bridge—Destain Gingell from the Lapeer County Road Commission is here to discuss the Bohms Rd bridge, which was closed today for the portion that crosses Madison Drain. He explained the process that determined the bridge to be closed. They are investigating if the S side of the bridge might be able to re-open to 1-way traffic with 3-ton weight limit and 10’ width restriction. Closure of the bridge could require up to 8-mile detour. Due to the condition of the bridge, Gingell applied for Critical Bridge Funds from the State of Michigan. If selected, the State would fund 95% of construction and design engineering. The LCRC could contribute 50% of the 5% from the County Bridge Fund. To increase likelihood of selection, he suggested community lobbying & letter writing about the closure impact for the October selection meeting. The Twp. can also offer to match over the 5% minimum requirement. If the bridge is selected, it would be scheduled for 2024. The estimated cost for replacement is \$966, 000. He is also investigating the option of replacement with a box culvert, which is substantially cheaper. This would qualify for County Bridge Funds but requires a 50% match. The application for the State funds can be withdrawn at any time.

Motion 07-21-09TB

Motion by Van Den Berg, seconded by Van Dyk, to approve the resolution in support of the application for the Bohms Rd bridge for State of Michigan Critical Bridge Funds.

MOTION CARRIED, with a roll call vote: Van Dyk, yes; Roy, yes; Cischke, yes; Parsch, yes; and Van Den Berg, yes.

LCRC Projects—there are some funds left in the brush axing match and then the Twp. would have to fund the newer \$10,000 project. Allocations can be used for that funding. Putnam suggested that Lyons Rd (between 53 & Blacks Corners Rd) is a good example of the service. He also explained that trees/limbs 4” in diameter or less can be axed.

Seibert Response to Ordinance questions—he suggested that a letter be sent to the owner of the Fire Withholding funds be notified in writing of his rights. CCA can be sent to declare the open basement as a

1 Dangerous Building. For the Summers Rd property, a Court Order is needed to enter the property and
2 remediate the danger. Seibert also suggested investigating the possible repeal of Ordinance 1700.
3 For Ordinance 801, Seibert’s opinion is that pits in existence prior to 801 would need to be brought up to
4 compliance with 801, as per the Ordinance. Excavation footprints from prior to 801 enactment would be
5 exempt from 801 requirements.

6 **Motion 07-21-10TB**

7 Motion by Parsch, seconded by Van Den Berg, to notify the sellers of the Holt pit that any excavating
8 action that takes place would fall under Ordinance 801. Therefore, new owners would have to comply
9 with Ordinance 801.

10 **MOTION CARRIED.**

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12 Planner Bids—have a few in hand. Need to get a planner on retainer or on standby for projects. Several
13 bids were received recently.

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15 CRFRF—application was completed. Need to have a speaker come explain how the funds can be used.

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17 Need to investigate where in the Ordinance 801 the Clear Lake Rd pit falls.

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19 PUBLIC TIME—no one wished to address the Board about items not on the agenda.

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21 Meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

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24 These minutes are correct to the best of my knowledge.

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30 Ron Cischke, Supervisor

Mavis Roy, Clerk

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Amy Nolin, Recording Secretary