

**Charter Township of Marquette
Roads Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 2, 2014
Marquette Township Community Center**

1. Call to Order: Wiegand called the Road Committee meeting to order at 4:30 PM
2. Members Present: Dave Wiegand, Pete LaRue, Dianna Truscott, Mike Springer
Members Absent: Ron DeMarse
Staff: Jason McCarthy, Planner and Zoning Administrator
Public: William Truscott
3. Approval of Agenda:
MOTION: To approve the agenda without amendment.
LaRue, Moved
Springer, Supported **Carried: Unanimously**
4. Minutes from previous meetings
MOTION: To approve the minutes of November 13, 2014:
Springer, Moved
LaRue, Supported **Carried: Unanimously**
5. Public Comment: Truscott expressed concern regarding the survey markers that are now buried under snow. He inquired about the plans for Ontario Avenue.
6. Old Business:
 - a. The Committee will begin the Transportation Facilities Plan update at the January meeting
 - Action Item: Review MDOT Goals and Objectives modified for Marquette Township. The modified Goals and Objectives were distributed by Springer. If you can't find your copy contact Mike for another.
7. New Business:

Wiegand reported on the Road Rehabilitation Project. A meeting with the MCRC will occur in January to address the 2015 "order of repair" and engineering plans. Kirk Page is working on water and sewer infrastructure plans that will complement the scheduled 2015 road repairs.

Manager Girard announced the Road Rehabilitation Project officially started yesterday with exploration of bonding options. He discussed the two different possible avenues for bonding. Act 51 under the Marquette County Road Commission; or Act 143 under the Marquette County Board, as the best options. Girard explained the bonding procedure and the preliminary design timeline. Recommendations and resolutions are planned for January.

McCarthy indicated the importance of having a "tight" Request for Proposals. He proposed a timeline including various expectations written in the RFP.

Girard and Wiegand agreed that the millage is for the repair of existing asphalt roads and not for the development of new ones. A Beaudoin Street extension, for example, is not part of the millage plan. The stated goal of the Road Rehabilitation Project, and the associated millage, is to repair existing local roads.

McCarthy explained that 'bit curbs' are planned for areas with water run off issues. Additionally, a new map is needed. The map would contain various layers of information. I.e. Elevations, utilities, water drainage...

It was noted that a section of Vandendoom Avenue is missing from the current map. Wiegand suggested one last review of the Order of Repair for 2015, prior to meeting with the MCRC. This order of repair will become part of the Transportation Plan update 2015.

 - Action Item: Committee Members are to check the maps against the Order of Repair.

McCarthy offered his office for a meeting where Committee members could view various layers and review the Order of Repair.

8. Information Items/Reports:

LaRue provided a copy of the McNitt Act of 1931

9. Public Comment: none

10: Committee Member Comment:

LaRue inquired about road plowing this year. The MCRC will again take care of our roads this winter. He also inquired about previously requested lighting.

The Township is waiting for a cab to be installed on the recently purchased John Deer tractor. The equipment will be used for walking path snow removal, mowing, sweeping, as well as the ice rink maintenance. The warming shed equipment door was resized to accommodate tractor dimensions.

LaRue requested an updated conceptual drawing for Lions Recreation Area. McCarthy will contact UPEA to request an updated Master Plan from Sara.

LaRue, Springer and Wiegand will meet at 9 am Monday, December 8 at Lions Recreation Area.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 6:13 pm

LaRue, Moved

Truscott, Supported

Carried: Unanimously

Next Meeting Tuesday, January 6th @ 5:30pm