

**Charter Township of Marquette
Roads Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 2, 2015
Marquette Township Community Center**

Call to Order: Wiegand called the Road Committee meeting to order at 5:32 PM

Members Present: Dave Wiegand, Pete LaRue, Ron DeMarse. Dianna Truscott and Mike Springer

Members Absent: None

Staff: Jason McCarthy, Planning and Zoning Administrator

Public: William Truscott

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION: **To approve the agenda**
LaRue, Moved
Truscott, Supported

Carried: Unanimously

Minutes from previous meetings:

MOTION: **To approve the minutes of May 4, 2015:**
LaRue, Moved
Truscott, Supported

Carried: Unanimously

Public Comment:

Mr. Truscott is looking for black top.

Old Business:

Wiegand focused on the addition of Goal 5 of the 2015 Transportation Facilities Plan update. Goal 5: 'Develop a comprehensive Asset Management and Maintenance Program', with three objectives were reviewed.

MOTION: **To forward the Goals and Objectives to Planner McCarthy.**
LaRue, Moved
Springer, Supported

Wiegand distributed the Upper Peninsula Engineers and Architects, UPEA, June 2, 'Marquette Township Road Millage' Report. Culvert blockages and the depressions or bumps they create at specific locations was discussed. Wiegand asked Committee members to review the report and bring questions to the next meeting.

Action Item: Review and comment on UPEA, June 2 Report before the next meeting.

McCarthy reported that MDOT may make the utility strips may be turned into bike paths. The Brickyard traffic signal should be installed by June 17

LaRue requested that Brian Savolainen attend the next Road Committee meeting.

DeMarse will initially cover the roads in the southeast corner of Trowbridge.

McCarthy noted it is unprecedented for a township to take over road repair and maintenance. DeMarse thanked Wiegand for making it happen.

Brian Savolainen will be invited to the July 7 meeting.

LaRue explained that the trees along CR 492 had to be cut before May 1. Bats nest after that date. Bat populations are already compromised as a result of white nose disease.

LaRue Identified a need for guard rails at Fair and Vandenboom.

New Business:

The August meeting is moved to Wednesday, August 5, due to the elections on the 4th.

Information Items: None

Public Comment: Mr. Truscott is looking forward to new black top this summer.

Correspondence:

Brookton and South Vandeenboom drainage issue was discussed.

Committee Member Comment:

DeMarse noted the drainage problems on Werner near Meeske. Plugged culverts are not being addressed by the County. He has worked with Drain Commissioner, Mike Farrell on the Badger Creek watershed.

Adjournment:

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 6:24 pm
LaRue, Moved
Truscott, Supported

Carried: Unanimously

Next Meeting Tuesday, July, 7th @ 5:30pm

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Wiegand and Springer