

January 23, 2018

The Board of County Road Commissioners met in the Road Commission offices for Public Hearings pursuant to Michigan Act 150, Public Acts 1976 of the State of Michigan for the purpose of discussing the **proposed improvements to 16 Mile Road** from Keller Avenue to Harvard Avenue in Section 6 of Oakfield Township and Section 31 of Spencer Township.

The Public Hearings were called to order by Commissioner Rambo, Chairman at 6:30 o'clock p.m.

Present: Commissioners Rambo, Morren, and Medema, Managing Director Warren, Deputy Managing Director – Operations Byrne, Deputy Managing Director - Engineering Harrall, Local Road Engineer Kocsis, and Executive Secretary Diane Martin.

Chairman Rambo welcomed everyone and introduced the Road Commission Board members and Staff. He stated the purpose of the Public Hearing was to receive comments and questions from the public regarding the proposed construction on this Local road. Chairman Rambo asked everyone to sign in on the attendance sheet. When making a comment, he asked that everyone identify themselves by stating their name and address. He explained that no decision will be made at the Public Hearing; a decision will be made at a future regular Board meeting. The decision could first be considered at the Board of Road Commissioners' meeting on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 8:00 o'clock a.m. in the Road Commission offices, 1500 Scribner Avenue, NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan. He added that Staff would be available to meet with residents on an individual basis to answer detailed questions after the Hearings.

The following were present for the **Public Hearing on 16 Mile Road.**

Name	Address
Tom Hoskin	9428 – 16 Mile Road
Dan Ingersoll	9690 – 16 Mile Road
Scott Lovell	9800 – 16 Mile Road
Tom Moerdyke	10054 – 16 Mile Road
Alex Swanson	9660 – 16 Mile Road
Henry Vanderwey	13362 Kendyn Drive

Chairman Rambo asked Local Road Engineer Kocsis to review the proposed construction. Engineer Kocsis stated the proposed improvement of 1.01 miles of 16 Mile Road from Keller Avenue to Harvard Avenue in Section 6, Oakfield Township and Section 31, Spencer Township includes necessary tree removal, grading, drainage, subbase, aggregate base, and construction to provide for a thirty-foot roadway with ditches, HMA surfacing. He stated the total cost of the project is \$830,000.00. The Road Commission's share is \$373,500.00. The remaining cost is shared by Oakfield Township and Spencer Township -- \$228,250.00 each. If the project is approved, it will complete paving of 16 Mile Road from Pine Lake Road to Harvard Avenue.

Local Road Engineer Kocsis stated Staff held an informational meeting on December 14, 2017 at Spencer Township Hall with thirteen in attendance. Preliminary plans were presented and questions concerning this proposed project were answered.

Mayor concerns were:

- Removal of trees
- Drainage
- Increase in speeds
- Curves
- Right-of-Way

Chairman Rambo opened the meeting for comments.

Scott Lovell, 9800 16 Mile Road, stated he is in favor of the project.

Tom Moerdyke, 10054 – 16 Mile Road asked if there were any changes to the project since the informational meeting and does the Road Commission need some of his property. He is in favor of the project. Mr. Moerdyke was told the plans are the same and Staff would meet with him regarding right-of-way.

Henry Vanderwey, 13362 Kendyn Drive thanked the Road Commission for the good job on the first two miles and he is looking forward to this mile as well.

Chairman Rambo thanked all those in attendance for the Hearing on 16 Mile Road. The decision will be made at a future regular Board meeting that is held at the Road Commission offices, and begins at 8:00 o'clock a.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. It is an open meeting, and the public is invited. Anyone is welcome to call the offices to see if it will be on agenda.

There being no further comments or questions to come before the Board, the Hearing was adjourned at 6:36 o'clock p.m.