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DEXTER TOWNSHIP

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEXTER TOWNSHIP LOCAL ROADS COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 10, 2024, 9:00 AM

Location: Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter, MI

CALL to ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Christy Maier, at 9:00 AM.

ROLL CALL: Present: Christy Maier, Karen Sikkenga, Pat Casady, Tom Zatkovich

Absent: Lois Beerbaum

Guests: Chris Godwin, Chair for Local Roads Committee in Lyndon Township

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

By acclamation, the members present approved the agenda.

APPROVAL of the MINUTES:

The minutes from the November, 2024 meeting were approved as printed. The committee noted that Secretary Lois Beerbaum does excellent work preparing minutes. The committee requested that names be removed from the letterhead to simplify writing the minutes, and as the names are on the Township website.

1st CALL TO THE PUBLIC: No members of the public were in attendance.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

- I. C. Maier and K. Sikkenga updated previously absent members on their meeting with A. Lape and S. Burby at the WCRC. The following items were discussed:
 - a) Junction of pavement to gravel roads (apron) to decrease potholes. This can be done when the main construction is done but not otherwise unless the township wants to pay for it. If there is an extension, the township is responsible for maintenance.
 - b) Stops on roads are further back to encourage vehicles to use a creep approach to the intersection. Pictures taken by committee members and comments were discussed resulting in the recognition that more foliage trimming is required.
 - c) Emphasis on local collector roads for maintenance and rebuild has been the focus. The scheduling for maintenance differs depending on the traffic level. Costs are less for traffic levels below 500 users per day but higher for levels above 500 per day. Hence, major work, every 5 years for higher usage vs. every 10 years for less usage roadways. The remaining funds from the County can be redeployed for foliage work and some road

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- maintenance. Dexter Twp. has \$500,000 available for 2024 and \$300,000 for 2025 with a calculation of \$125,000 in out years.
2. The Committee decided to write a letter of support for the Public Safety Millages. Chair Maier offered to draft a letter.
 3. The Committee decided to invite Michele Ford, Traffic & Safety manager at the Washtenaw County Road Commission, to the next meeting.
 4. The Committee discussed an application from a Township resident to join the Committee.
 5. The Committee discussed the desired meeting schedule, and decided to defer the discussion until the February meeting to include absent member L. Beerbaum and any potential new members. The group decided to move its next meeting from February 14 to February 21 to accommodate K. Sikkenga's absence.

2nd CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

No members of the public were in attendance.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Meeting schedule moving forward.
2. Discussion with WCRC Traffic & Safety staff.

ADJOURNMENT: By acclamation, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Sikkenga, standing in as temporary secretary in Lois Beerbaum's absence

Dexter Township Local Roads Committee

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, LOIS BEERBAUM, THE DULY APPOINTED SECRETARY FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF DEXTER LOCAL ROAD COMMITTEE, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FORGOING IS A TRUE AND COMPLETE COPY OF CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS TAKEN BY THE DEXTER TOWNSHIP LOCAL ROADS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 10TH DAY OF JANUARY 2023 AND THAT THE FORGOING MINUTES ARE THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD ON THE 10TH DAY OF JANUARY 2024.

KAREN SIKKENG (ACTING) / LOIS BEERBAUM – SECRETARY FOR THE DEXTER TOWNSHIP LOCAL ROADS COMMITTEE
