

January 24, 2017
Mt Pleasant, IA

The Board met in regular session at 9:00 AM. Members present: Chairman, Marc Lindeen, Vice-Chairman, Greg Moeller and Gary See.

It was moved by Moeller and seconded by See to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2017 meeting. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Jake Hotchkiss, Engineer, accompanied by Jelen McCall, Office Manger gave the Secondary Road update. Road maintenance for January 16th through January 20th. Sent trucks out at 5:00 am Monday morning to work on icy pavements, after pavements were clear sent spare blades out to help on gravel roads. Territory operators in their blades working all week. Mixed more salt and sand, cleaned up the trucks, repaired broken and worn out chains from ice event. Started working on clean up at quarry organizing beams. Hauled the excavator to the quarry to get ready to start stripping operation which started Thursday until they got rained out. A small brush crew was out cutting small trees in right-of-way. Hauled spot rock to various locations and worked on signs. Gravel road conditions are not good with the warmer temperatures and excess rain; roads are showing a lot of distress. We are spotting the worst locations and waiting for temperatures to drop s we can close up ruts and spot rock to those locations with our equipment. Final plans are being submitted this week for the bridge repair at Oakland Mills bridge on Franklin Ave that will result in a closure of the bridge during the summer for an estimated 5 weeks' dependent on weather. We have started stripping at the quarry and will continue for the next couple of weeks' dependent on weather conditions. Completed design for Nebraska Ave between 230th St and 235th St, now working on right-of-way plats. Started working on a couple other culverts that will be replaced with box culverts late fall into next spring.

Ken Brown with Fellowship Cup presented the Board with an annual update of the services they provide and the cost and donations they receive.

Shirley Wandling, Recorder presented her FY18 Budget to the Board.

In other county discussion John Mathews from rural Canaan Township came in with concerns of 200th St gravel road and its condition being bad and to also voice his concern that county employees do not need a raise as farmers have had the short end of the stick for years and don't get raises.

In sub-committee meetings See attended Iowa Works and Lindeen attended Great River Regional Waste Authority.

It was moved by See and seconded by Moeller the meeting be adjourned. 3 ayes. Motion carried.

Shelly Barber, Auditor

Marc Lindeen, Chairman