

MINUTES – INTERLACHEN DRIVE/SHADY LANE HEARING
CARLOS TOWN BOARD
August 1, 2019 – Carlos Town Hall

Board Members attending: Rod Meyers, Bill Krivanek, Mark Hintermeyer, Dean Yohnke, Rebecca Anderson and Township Engineer Jeff Stabnow.

Guest attending: see list of names on record with the clerk.

Chairman Meyers called the hearing to order at 7:00 PM with all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The board introduced themselves to the residents.

The board had received quotes from four contractors to get a more concrete cost of the project, the board took 5 minutes to open these quotes and returned to the meeting.

Chairman Meyers indicated the public hearing was being recorded.

Clerk Rebecca Anderson read the Public Hearing Rules.

Clerk Rebecca Anderson read the Summary of Due Process for Interlachen Drive/Shady Lane.

Chairman Meyers affirmed with the clerk, she had filed the affidavits for Notice of Mailing, Posting and Publishing.

Jeff Stabnow, Township Engineer, presented the cost analysis of the road project. Raymond Raml asked Mr. Stabnow to read off the quotes. Clerk Rebecca Anderson added how the costs per assessment were obtained. With the quotes received the estimated cost per assessment is \$2,655.00. She also indicated how the assessment could be paid if the project is ordered.

The clerk read letters/emails/correspondence received from two residents for and two against the project

Questions were then asked for from the residents:

Gail Haanen, owner of Interlachen Inn asked if the board had addressed the issue of the steep incline coming off Interlachen Drive to CR 42. Large vehicles cannot drive down the hill without bottoming out. She is looking to block off her driveway onto Interlachen Drive, however, this is the only place for vehicles to turn around, such as busses, garbage trucks, etc. as they do not want to drive down the steep incline. This was addressed at a hearing back in 2013 when the board initially looked to pave this road. When the county reconstructed CR42, they chose not to fix this part of the road – it is in the county ROW - due to the amount of utilities under the road. The residents feels the township and county need to work together to get this fixed before any other work is done on Interlachen Drive.

Mr. Severson noted if there are frost boils on the road and it has to be fixed, there would be patching, which would make the road look worse. This road has not had any frost boils.

There was some disagreement between property owners, saying that by adding more gravel was good and others said the road was too high. By paving the road, this would fix many of the problems associated with a gravel road.

Deb Wilson, said she has too much water in her yard, because the road is too high. However, she stated a neighbor recently put in a concrete driveway and the company washed their truck out and the water went into her yard. A resident felt that Shady Lane was too high and the road needed to be cut down and drained to CR42.

Mr. Beisner, questioned, the manhole covers, and how the driveways would be feathered into the road. The board will make a decision at the August 8, 2019 meeting on whether to move forward with the project. He also asked how much the township pays to maintain the road. The board was unable to give that answer, as the road needs to be

maintained on a more regular basis. The reasons the township gave for paving the road are: this is the only gravel road within miles of another gravel road, therefore, the road grader has to come a distance to perform this task. The second is there are no ditches on the road, therefore, water sits on the road after rains and snowplowing. Third: the road is difficult to maintain as there are landscaping vehicles that are consistently parked on the road, therefore, the grader cannot get through, so the road does not get graded and then becomes like a washboard.

Mark Hintermeyer stated paving the road would benefit the township as well as the residents. However, if the residents want to add costs to the projects, the board and the township engineer can look at other solutions that concern residents. Carlos Township is growing and people who live in big cities want the amenities of a paved road. This is the least expensive cost the residents would be getting.

Karen Sternal, felt the objections to the project is due to cost, and that consideration to the drainage problem should be taken care of before the road is done. The board is not under any pressure or rush to get this road done this year.

Raymond Raml wanted the road to be dug up and start over. Bill Krivanek stated if that is done, the road would be brought up to standards and a large ditch would be created.

Mark Jenson felt that nothing should be done until the intersection at CR42 /Interlachen Drive is fixed. Chairman Meyers will speak to County Engineer Dave Robley and bring back his answer to the next meeting. Mr. Robley needs to be made aware of the issues with this intersection. Residents could also contact their county commissioner, Jerry Rapp.

Bill Krivanek informed the residents, that most of the residential roads in the township have now been paved. With the increase in the number of cars traveling on the roads, it is impossible to maintain a gravel road that was built decades ago.

On a straw vote, there was not one resident in favor of the project.

Bill Krivanek moved to adjourn at 8:05 PM. Mark Hintermeyer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Rodney Meyers
RODNEY MEYERS, CHAIRMAN

Rebecca Anderson
REBECCA ANDERSON, CLERK