

MINUTES – EAST LAKE CARLOS DRIVE 8170 TO THE DEAD END (DAM) INFORMATIONAL HEARING
CARLOS TOWN BOARD
March 4, 2021 – Carlos Town Hall

Board Members attending: Rod Meyers, Bill Krivanek, Dwayne Waldorf, Tammy Schwegel, and Rebecca Anderson, along with 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.

Clerk Rebecca Anderson indicated the public hearing was being recorded.

Clerk Rebecca Anderson read the Public Hearing Rules, along with the Summary of Due Process for the above listed project.

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

Jeff Stabnow, Township Engineer, presented the scope and cost analysis of the road project. Clerk Rebecca Anderson addressed how the costs per assessment were obtained. The estimated cost per assessment is \$7,652.60.

Clerk Rebecca Anderson read correspondence from property owners in regard to the project.

Questions were then asked for from the residents:

Rick Berg asked about the sub cut (what that meant). Jeff Stabnow indicated how that occurs and was used to install the culvert and the 300 feet of roadway. Jerry Larson asked about access to their property during construction and if the manhole issues will be addressed.

Dwayne Waldorf asked if the roadway would be the same and the answer is yes. The road surface will be placed on the current footprint of the existing road.

Tom Dewitt asked about the speed bumps as the residents like them as it keeps speed down. The speed bumps he is referring to is the raised culverts on the section east of the intersection by East Carlos Lane. These would be removed as new culverts would be installed.

Bill Krivanek indicated fabric would be placed under the soils that would keep the road from moving up and down. This application has been applied on other township roads and has been extremely effective.

Reasonable access will be available. If there are any driveways that are damaged, the township will take care of this, however, this has not been the case in past construction projects. Dave Butler is not sure the fabric will work as it didn't on Sandhill Lane. It was explained that fabric was not initially installed when this road was rebuilt. There was a section that was repaired last year and that section had the fabric installed.

Roberta Pisa asked about the ROW and why the project was not divided by the number of home owners. The board explained the township has 66 feet of ROW, which is 33 feet from the center of the road. The project is not charged for area frontage, but by lot/parcel of buildable property.

Eric Rose asked if there was state money available for this project. The township is not available for any grants as this road does not qualify with the states criteria.

If this project is not approved, the board will look at alternative ways to repair the road.

Bill Krivanek added that Bev Bales indicated to him that when this road was paved many years ago, there was no assessment. Property owners donated whatever they wanted toward the project. Therefore, many residents did not pay for the road upgrade.

Rick Berg asked how this project was initiated. Bill Krivanek gave the summary of when the project was approached by the board.

Speed limits was a concern, therefore, Jeff Stabnow explained the rural residential speed limit can be reduced to 35 mph if certain criteria is met. However, residents would like a lower speed limit than 35 mph.

The question was raised regarding length of assessment: Currently the township issues a 5 year assessment at 8%, however, with the cost of this project it could be extended to 10 years. The board explained the township is not a bank and needs its resources for other projects.

Wayne Erickson indicated he knows the cost is high, however, he is in favor of the project.

Roy Prigg commented on an issue regarding draining a swamp that had flooded other properties. The property he is referring to is Pat Waldorf's. The tile leading from across the road to the lake had been placed under the previous house. During reconstruction, that tile had accidentally been crushed and caused flooding. Pat Waldorf fixed this by running a tile down the township ROW on the east side of the road.

Dave Butler asked if there is any possibility the rough spots can be repaired and then overlaid. He said we cannot fight Mother Nature. He feels it will be just like Sandhill.

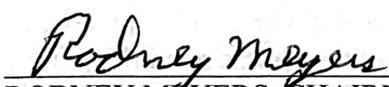
Dwayne Waldorf felt the board should look at other ways of addressing this project.

On a hand straw vote, 5 property owners were in favor and 27 were opposed to the project. Eric Rose asked what the expectation would be for those not attending the hearing. The board assumes those not indicating opposition would be in favor. However, they were not made aware of the assessment cost with their notice. This information was given out at today's hearing. Therefore, Mr. Rose did not feel this should be the case.

Bill Krivanek moved to adjourn at 8:01 PM. Dwayne Waldorf seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The board called to order a special meeting to order at 8:07 pm to discuss the recommendations for the Revenue and Road and Bridge Levy. This meeting was published and posted. The board is recommending to request \$15,000 for the Revenue Fund and to lower the Road and Bridge Fund from \$250,000 to \$200,000 for 2022.

Bill Krivanek moved to adjourn at 8:15 PM. Dwayne Waldorf seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.


RODNEY MEYERS, CHAIRMAN


REBECCA ANDERSON, CLERK