

ERIE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

EMERGENCY SESSION

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023

ALL PRESENT

President Shenigo called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Shenigo thanked Commissioners' Old and Shoffner and Clerk of the Board Erin Paolano for coming in on a Sunday for this emergency session.

Mr. Old stated he received two phone calls on Friday from a citizen on Ransom Road stating a tremendous amount of stone had been laid on the road just after it was tar and chipped. Mr. Old traveled the road, which he confirmed had an extreme amount of stone on the road and believed it to be a safety hazard. A Township Trustee contacted the County Engineer's Office to have the County inspector view the excessive stone. The County Engineer informed the Township Trustee that the inspector had already assessed that road once and would not be coming back out.

Mr. Old spoke with the contractor, who stated that the County's bid specifications did not include the equipment used to sweep up the excess stone in the road. Mr. Old notified County Engineer Jack Farschman and Deputy Engineer Tim Lloyd of the large amounts of excess stone and neither responded.

It was noted, for the record, that this road maintenance job is part of the maintenance paid for by the Township, but the Township enters into a contract with the County Engineer. It is the job of the County Engineer to oversee all township and county roads in Erie County.

Mr. Shenigo noted that there is a huge concern for a large pile of #8 stone being in the roadway, especially if motorcycles drive through it. The Township has put up barricades and signs for motorists to heed the warning of excess stone until this issue gets fixed first thing Monday morning. Even though this equipment was not in the bid specifications, the Commissioners are willing to spend extra funds to have the equipment shipped to Erie County to have the roads fixed.

On motion of Mr. Shenigo and second of Mr. Old, Board **authorizes County Administrator Hank Solowiej to approve any purchase orders, change orders or contracts for amounts up to and including \$20,000** to address the issue regarding the surface treatment on roads in Erie County, Ohio prescribed by this motion; Roll Call: All Aye

Mr. John Adams was in attendance of this meeting and stated he appreciates the Commissioners' expedient work being done to get this road issue fixed quickly.

On motion of Mr. Old and second of Mr. Shoffner, Board **adjourns** at 10:50 a.m.; Roll Call: All Aye