Johnson's Island Road Commission

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting JIPOA Club House Saturday, August 10, 2019

Attendance: Dave Klugman Present

Mike Kelty Present
Bob Cailor Present
Joe Gouker Present
Rick Schulz Present
Sig Nachman Present
Glenn Beachy Present

With all members in attendance, any votes will be legitimate.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Dave Klugman.

Regular Business:

- 1. There was further discussion (preliminary discussion last meeting) concerning the recent Richman Engineering bridge report:
 - The report rates the bridges as being in generally good condition.
 - The drip edges are working well in keeping water off the beams.
 - We should monitor the rip- rap rock protection around the piers and abutments, but no work is required now.
 - There are some railing issues. We will ask Mark to look at replacing a post.
 - Pavement sealing should be done.
 - We should consider addressing the bumps when we do the next road repairs.
 - No major repairs are necessary at this time.
- 2. Traffic signs. Several are missing. Our reading of the Annexation Agreement says that the village is responsible. Rick Shultz will write a letter to the village asking that this be addressed.
- 3. Tree removal on Causeway. There are several dead trees, and other trees could damage the high bridge if they fell. Bob will ask Erie Mowing for a price to remove.
- 4. Ryzinski sewer work at north stop sign: Work is still not complete, and excavation is still covered by gravel. Ryzinski is trying to have a contractor finish the work this fall. The \$5,000 bond which he posted will cover any repairs he fails to do.
- 5. Gate: All bills have been paid. The gate has been working well. However, it was hit by an outbound vehicle, and the arm was bent. Roger Scheman straightened it out. He also machined a solid aluminum insert for the arm where it fits into the break- away bracket. We believe this will prevent distortion of the arm, making it easier to re- mount when it

is knocked off.

- 6. Bob and Glenn will work out a procedure for recording and reporting gate revenue.
- 7. Bob Cailor presented estimates for replacement of the gate cameras and recording unit. The recommended bid was for approximately \$2,500, but there may be detail changes. Glenn motioned, Rick seconded, that we authorize up to \$3,000 for purchase and installation of the new camera system. **Vote was 7-0 in favor**.
- 8. Several causeway reflectors are missing. Spares are in the gatehouse. Glenn will replace them.
- 9. Drainage issues were discussed. The section between the two sections upgraded last year can be completed with no additional drainage. The section from the clubhouse to the lake does not require additional drainage. Therefore we have work we are clear to perform, but these are not necessarily the worst road sections at this time. We will continue to work to get additional agreements. The former Bush properties were also discussed. There is a culvert and ditch on the north side of this property which provides necessary drainage from inside the road. Mike will discuss this with the present owner.
- 10. The budget for 2020 was discussed. With the carry- over from this year, there will be approximately \$160,000 available for a project next year. All other budget items are routine. Dave motioned, Rick seconded, that we approve the budget. **It was approved** 7-0.
- 11. There was a question about our balance sheet, or total funds available. Rick will get an update from Jim, but he reported that there is approximately \$37,000 in checking, and \$177,000 in savings at this time. This includes the causeway reserve.
- 12. Payment to Erie Mowers for mowing services was mentioned. This a routine maintenance expense, and does not require approval.
- 13. Mike reported on the JIIG efforts to assign ownership of the roads, causeway, and bridges to the Village or other government unit.

They have had preliminary discussions with the Village and the County about this issue.

Per the request of the Village, Trustees of the two HOA's on the Island held a joint meeting on August 9, 2019 to discuss JIIG's proposed plan regarding conveyance of the roads and causeway. Both voted unanimously to endorse the concept of transferring the roads to the Village and/or County. Further, they agreed to participate with the Village/County in defining an agreed-upon transfer plan.

There is an estimate that, if all necessary work to bring the roads to a condition the Village would accept was done as one large single project, it would cost approximately \$950,000. Under the proposed plan, if a 60% majority of Johnson Island residents would

agree, a Special Assessment Bond would be issued by the Village and the debt would be retired through annual payments by all Johnson Island residents. Completing the road improvement in one campaign would likely cost significantly less than the every-other-year schedule we have adopted due to the amount of road fees raised annually under the current funding formula of the Road Commission.

If successful, these negotiations would, in all likelihood, allow the Road Commission to end its existence.

Mike also noted that the Conservation Easement in the center of the Island, previously created by JIIG, is now titled to the Western Reserve Conservancy.

No action is required of the JIRC on this issue, but we fully support the process.

There being no other business, Dave moved to end the meeting. All agreed.

Respectfully, Glenn Beachy Secretary, JIRC