Public Viewing - BER-26 Bridge Horns Mill Road

The Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. for a public viewing at the BER-26 Bridge on Horns Mill Road. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Bill Maravy and Jeff Camechis.

The Commissioners viewed the site of the proposed Engineer project.

Public Viewing - Savage Hill Road

The Commissioners met at 9:30 a.m. for a public viewing at Savage Hill Road. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Bill Maravy, Jeff Camechis, Patrick Murphy, and Thomas Fisher.

The Commissioners viewed the site of the proposed Engineer project.

Public Viewing - Coonpath Road Culvert 7.600

The Commissioners met at 10:15 a.m. for a public viewing at the Coonpath Road Culvert 7.600. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Bill Maravy and Jeff Camechis.

The Commissioners viewed the site of the proposed Engineer project.

Public Viewing - Coonpath Road Culvert 5.457

The Commissioners met at 10:30 a.m. for a public viewing at the Coonpath Road Culvert 5.457. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Bill Maravy, Jeff Camechis, and Jim Beiter.

The Commissioners viewed the site of the proposed Engineer project.

Public Viewing - GRE-03 Bridge Carroll Eastern Road

The Commissioners met at 11:00 a.m. for a public viewing at the GRE-03 Bridge on Carroll Eastern Road. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Bill Maravy, Jeff Camechis, Steve Tigner, Barry White, Phil Brown, and Jack Knicely.

The Commissioners viewed the site of the proposed Engineer project.

Public Viewing - AMA-33 Bridge Cedar Hill Road

The Commissioners met at 11:45 a.m. for a public viewing at the AMA-33 Bridge on Cedar Hill Road. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Bill Maravy, Jeff Camechis, Sean Rittinger, and Jim Miller.

The Commissioners viewed the site of the proposed Engineer project.

Public Viewing - Refugee Road at Pickerington Road

The Commissioners met at 12:30 p.m. for a public viewing at Refugee Road and Pickerington Road. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Bill Maravy, Jeff Camechis, Don Turley, Calvin Green, Kevin Strait, Phil Mason, Jack Turley, Mike Sanders, and Donald Smith.

The Commissioners viewed the site of the proposed Engineer project.

Public Viewing - Refugee Road at Milnor Road

The Commissioners met at 12:50 p.m. for a public viewing at Refugee Road and Milnor Road. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Bill Maravy, Jeff Camechis, Rocco Sabatino, and Dee Sabatino.

The Commissioners viewed the site of the proposed Engineer project.

Public Viewing - Refugee Road at Education Way

The Commissioners met at 1:10 p.m. for a public viewing at Refugee Road and Education Way Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Bill Maravy and Jeff Camechis.

The Commissioners viewed the site of the proposed Engineer project.

Public Viewing - Refugee Road at Harmon Road

The Commissioners met at 1:30 p.m. for a public viewing at Refugee Road and Harmon Road. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Bill Maravy and Jeff Camechis.

The Commissioners viewed the site of the proposed Engineer project.

Public Hearings – BER-2 Bridge on Horns Mill Road, Savage Hill Road, Coonpath Road Culvert 7.600, Coonpath Road Culvert 5.457, GRE-03 Bridge on Carroll Eastern Road, AMA-33 Bridge on Cedar Hill Road, Refugee Road at Pickerington Road, Refugee Road at Milnor Road, Refugee Road at Education Way, and Refugee Road at Harmon Road

The Commissioners met at 3:00 p.m. for a public hearing for the following projects: BER-2 Bridge on Horns Mill Road, Savage Hill Road, Coonpath Road Culvert 7.600, Coonpath Road Culvert 5.457, GRE-03 Bridge on Carroll Eastern Road, AMA-33 Bridge on Cedar Hill Road, Refugee Road at Pickerington Road, Refugee Road at Milnor Road, Refugee Road at Education Way, and Refugee Road at Harmon Road. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Bill Maravy, Jeff Camechis, Rocco Sabatino, Dee Sabatino, Donald Smith, Zachary Reed, Aaron Shambrock, Calvin Green. Attending virtually was Jeffrey Elick and Leonardo Mauro.

Commissioner Davis opened the Public Hearing and outlined the procedures for the hearing.

The first project discussed was Refugee and Pickerington Road.

The Engineer's Office described the proposed project. This will be to replace the lights and poles for a possible five lane section of Refugee Road. The intersection will be realigned so it lines up. The anticipated project year is 2022 or 2023.

- Mr. Green asked if left hand turns would be in each direction.
- Mr. Maravy replied yes, in all four directions.
- Mr. Smith asked how much land would be taken as he has land for sale.
- Mr. Maravy replied they would need further surveying. They anticipate exact right of way "takes" in nine months to a year.
- Mr. Reed stated they have a substation close to the location and were concerned about that.

Mr. Maravy that corner probably would not be touched so no relocation would be needed. They are designing around everything around the substation corner on the southwest side.

Mr. Smith asked if at some point in time they could put flags for a visual of the right of way takes.

Mr. Maravy replied they should be able to get those done.

Mr. Reed asked if this took into consideration the MORPC plans for cul-de-sacs.

Mr. Camechis replied it did not; the only thing it took into account for was the proposed five lane road.

Mr. Levacy stated the Engineer has been talking about revamping this intersection for several years, and the project definitely needs to be done.

Mr. Maravy restated they are in the very early design phases and that they are designing it for the five-lane plan.

The next project was Refugee at Milnor Road.

The Engineer's Office reviewed the plan for the signal upgrade at Milnor Road. They will add a right turn lane on Refugee Road for west bound traffic. The anticipated project year is 2023.

Mr. Sabatino stated they own three properties on the northeast corner of Refugee and Milnor. He applauded Fairfield County for their work on a previous project near property he owned. They look forward to this project.

Mr. Davis thanked the Sabitinos for being helpful to the Engineer's Office over the last few years.

Mr. Reed stated that expansion to the north would be a higher cost than expansion to the south.

The next project was Refugee Road at Education Way.

The Engineer's Office reviewed the project. They will add a right turn lane headed towards the school, east bound south on to Education Way.

There were no comments for or against the project.

The next project was Refugee at Harmon Road.

The Engineer's Office reviewed the project. They plan on adding a right turn lane and upgrading signals outside of the five-lane footprint.

Mr. Reed stated that expansion to the north (Especially the northwest corner) would be a higher cost than expansion to the south.

Mr. Smith asked for clarification on the turn lane.

Mr. Maravy provided clarification on where the turn lane would be location. This is a funded project, and they are trying to design around the future five lane footprint (as is the case for the other three projects on Refugee Road).

The next project was Coonpath Road Culvert 5.457.

The Engineer's Office reviewed the project. They will replace the culvert, extending it, adding guardrail, and adding shoulders. They do not expect much widening in terms of pavement.

Mr. Elick asked how wide the Coonpath Road right of way was.

- Mr. Camechis replied it varies all over the place.
- Mr. Maravy added they have done no design yet.
- Mr. Elick asked if there were any issues to the culvert directly east of this culvert.
- Mr. Camechis replied he did not know of any issues.
- Mr. Elick did not know of any issues with it either.
- Mr. Camechis will follow up with Mr. Elick on the right of way issues.
- Mr. Reed asked if that was Fetters Run.
- Mr. Camechis replied it may be and he was not sure how they would avoid the transmission pole, but they will work with South Central on that.
- Mr. Camechis will get plans to South Central as soon as they have them.
- Mr. Maravy added that when the project is finished it will probably be considered a bridge due to the length.

The next project was Coonpath Road Culvert 7.600.

The Engineer's Office reviewed the project. This is a 36-inch culvert that will be replace. The work will be done in house and will require some right of way. It is a pretty deep culvert.

The next project was Savage Hill Road.

The Engineer's Office reviewed the project. This is a project for Berne Township. They will widen the road to 18 feet, adding shoulder, replacing culverts, and pushing ditches back. The project is funded through OPWC. This is from Eckart Road south about ¾ of a mile.

The next project was BER-26 at Horns Mill Road.

The Engineer's Office reviewed the project. This is a federally funded project. The bridge will be moved to the north and realigning the road. The City of Lancaster owns property on either side of the project. This is a \$1.5 million project that will take 10-12 weeks to complete with a road closure. Anticipated project date is 2023.

Mr. Levacy asked if they had looked at detours for this project.

Mr. Maravy replied they had and stated the biggest concern was the fire station as well as a few other large businesses. They talked about leaving the bridge while they built the new one which would knock the closure to 3-4 weeks, but they are still working on plans.

The next project was AMA-33 at Cedar Hill Road.

The Engineer's Office reviewed the project. This will be a box culvert.

Mr. Davis stated there were a few individuals in attendance at the viewing who did not have any concerns.

Mr. Camechis stated that South Central will have to drop their lines for the project, but that was it

The next project was GRE-03 Bridge at Carroll-Eastern Road.

The Engineer's Office reviewed the project. This is bridge replacement with a box culvert. This is township road. Individuals in attendance were concerned with the sight lines. It was explained to those in attendance that since it was a township road, the township would have to change the

sight lines, not the county. The county only owns the bridge. South Central will drop their lines for this project as well.

There were no comments in favor of or opposed to the project.

The hearing was closed at 3:37 p.m.

Open Items

Mr. Sabatino showed an Economic Development video. He has lived in Violet Township since the 1970's. He has seen some great things and not so great things since then. They completed a study comparing economic development in the area (Violet Township v. the City of Pickerington). The video focused on the motor vehicle aspect of Economic Development. Mr. Sabatino stated that the findings showed Pickerington has been a major contributor to the motor vehicle economic impact, while the township's contribution has been abysmal. He added that a simple rezoning classification would allow for motor vehicle businesses to be in Violet Township.

Mr. Davis stated that the Commissioners now had the video and understood what they saw. He thanked the Sabatinos for the information. He does not think this is an issue that will fade away. He wants to include more parties to have a fuller, more fair conversation.

Adjournment

With no further business, on the motion of Dave Levacy and a second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn at 4:07 p.m.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows: Voting aye thereon: Dave Levacy and Steve Davis

Absent: Jeff Fix

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion by:

Seconded by:

that the December 3, 2020 minutes were approved by the following vote:

YEAS:

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

*Approved on December 8, 2020

Steven A. Davis

Commissioner

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