

GENESEE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

September 11, 2023

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of County Road Commissioners gathered for a walking tour of each of the Genesee County Road Commission district facilities. The facilities included the Linden District Garage, Atlas District Garage, Flint facility, Metro District and its future site in Genesee Township, Montrose District Garage, Otisville District Garage and Swartz Creek District Garage. A schedule of the tour with times (including drive time between facilities) was posted at the Flint Administration building as well as on the GCRC website to enable the public to attend the tour. The tour started at 8:00 am at the Linden District garage facility.

Present: Timothy Elkins, Chairperson
Cathy Lane, Vice Chairperson
Reggie Smith, Commissioner
Chris Gehringer, Commissioner
Joe Massey, Commissioner

Others Present: Fred Peivandi, Randy Dellaposta, Kendra Love-Brezzell, Anthony Branch (Genesee County Road Commission Staff), Linda Kossak, Secretary of the Board of Road Commissioners

Linden District Garage, 7028 W. Silver Lake Rd, Linden – 8:00 a.m. – 8:40 a.m.

At 8:00 am, Linden District Supervisor, Mr. Antwan Martin, gave a tour of the Linden facility. The Linden District services Mundy, Argentine and Fenton Township roads. In the main building, Mr. Martin pointed out various winter maintenance equipment including blades and chains, as well as the breakroom, stockroom, restroom, and exhaust system of the main building. The tour then proceeded to the salt barn and the outside area of the facility including outside equipment including plow blades, materials (limestone, millings, and woodchips), Mr. Martin explained that the Linden District encompasses the most acreage of any of the other districts at 50 acres. At 8:40 am, the board proceeded to the next facility.

Atlas District Garage, 8016 Gale Road, Goodrich – 9:12 am – 9:52 am

At 9:12 am, Atlas District Supervisor, Mr. Michael McPherson gave a tour of the Atlas District garage. The Atlas District services the Davison, Grand Blanc and Atlas Township roads. Mr. McPherson showed the board the main building including the breakroom, restroom, stockroom and various maintenance equipment such as chains, blades, winter equipment. The tour then proceeded to the salt barn and Mr. McPherson pointed out various equipment (plow blades), culvert and

materials (limestone and millings) located on the property adding that the property is approximately 13 acres. At 9:52 am, the board proceeded to the next facility.

Flint and Temporary Metro District Facility, 211 W. Oakley St., Flint- 10:10 am to 11:00 am

Flint Trunkline Maintenance Department

Fleet Maintenance & Facilities including mechanics light duty truck area, heavy duty truck area, preventive maintenance bay, auditorium and stockroom.

Temporary Metro district

Salt Barn

Sign and Signals Shop

At 10:10 am, Trunkline Maintenance Supervisor, Mr. Chris Freeman gave a tour of the Flint Trunkline Maintenance Department facility. Mr. Freeman explained that the Flint facility works on the trunklines, primary and local roads and added that many of the special projects that are performed come out of Flint such as paving and chip seal projects. Flint also does the roadside mowing. The tour then proceeded with an explanation by Mr. Freeman of the brine tank operation located on the east side of the maintenance building, view of the Vactor truck, hydraulic fluid station, and tour of the maintenance breakroom and offices.

At 10:30 a.m., Ms. Kendra Love-Brezzell, Director Fleet Maintenance & Facilities and Mr. Todd Davis, Fleet Maintenance Supervisor, gave a tour of the Fleet Maintenance & Facilities department at the Flint facility including the auditorium where staff conducts training for employees. The tour continued to the light duty truck area (service and maintenance for light duty vehicles such as pick-up trucks), heavy-duty truck maintenance area, tire room, preventive maintenance bay/building where Mr. Scott Ward and Mr. Eric Simon demonstrated the hydraulic lift mechanism for heavy-duty trucks.

At 10:45 am, Ms. Love-Brezzell and Mr. Chris Anspach, Stockroom/Facilities Supervisor, gave a tour of the GCRC Stockroom. Ms. Love-Brezzell explained that this is where everyone gets his or her parts and supplies. Mr. Anspach explained the ordering system and placement of stock in the stockroom as well as the check-in area and hydraulic hose area. He added, if something breaks, the stock room clerks might have to go to various vendors to pick up the parts if the need is urgent or they cannot be delivered. We use different vendors, so we have a constant source of parts. The tour continued to the wash out bay, and the brick warehouse.

At 10:55 am, the board continued the tour to the temporary Metro District facility which Supervisor, Mr. Troy Herriman oversees. Mr. Herriman explained that the Metro District would eventually move to the Genesee Township location at 5151 Energy Drive. The Metro District maintains Mt. Morris Township and Genesee Township roads. Mr. Herriman accompanied the tour to the fueling station, salt barn and car wash area.

Ms. Kendra Love-Brezzell pointed out the asphalt machine, north of the maintenance building, which is used to make our own asphalt when the asphalt plants are not in operation (during winter months).

At 11:05 a.m., the tour continued to the Sign Shop area, where Sign Shop Supervisor, Mr. Jason Pully led the tour showing the signs and signal area. Mr. Pully explained that Mr. Don Bright is

the other supervisor in this department (Signals) but he is off today because he works Tuesday thru Friday and Mr. Pully works Monday thru Thursday so we have constant coverage 24/7 of the Sign Shop. Mr. Pully explained that the GCRC Sign Shop maintains over 450,000 signs in the county. We order the stop signs and yields signs (signs that we use a lot of) from MSI in Ionia, other signs we make in-house. We also maintain traffic signals in this department, which are maintained and serviced by our electricians on the roads.

At 11:10 am, the board proceeded to lunch in the boardroom in the Administration building. At 12:00 p.m., the tour headed to the future site of the Metro District garage.

Future location of the Metro District Garage, 5151 Energy Drive, Flint 12:12 pm – 12:52 pm

At 12:12 p.m., the tour resumed at the future location of the Metro District Garage. Supervisor Troy Herriman will oversee this garage and will maintain the Mt. Morris Township and Genesee Township roads out of this location. Mr. Dellaposta presented the blueprint plans for the future building/facility, showing the location of the parking lot, driveway, and buildings. Mr. Dellaposta stated that the lot consists of eight lots for a total of approximately eight acres. At 12:45 pm, the tour continued to the Otisville District garage.

Otisville District Garage, 220 Doane Street, Otisville 1:10 pm – 1:43 pm

At 1:10 p.m., Otisville District Supervisor, Mr. Mike Jaeger, gave a tour of the Otisville District garage. The Otisville district services Thetford, Forest and Richfield Township roads. Mr. Jaeger gave a tour of the main building, showing the stockroom, breakroom and restroom then proceeding to the outside, where Mr. Jaeger showed the brine equipment, outside equipment, materials, outside storage, and the salt barn. At 1:43 p.m., the tour continued to the Montrose District garage.

Montrose District garage, 11288 N. Seymour Road, Montrose – 2:11 p.m. – 2:51 pm

At 2:11 p.m., Montrose District Supervisor, Mr. Alex Cook, gave a tour of the Montrose District Garage facility. Montrose District maintains the roads in Montrose Township, Vienna Township and Flushing Township. Mr. Cook gave a tour of the main building consisting of the breakroom, stockroom and restroom. Continuing the tour, Mr. Cook showed the salt barn, as well as outlying buildings on the property. The Montrose facility is the second largest district property the GCRC owns. At 2:51 pm, the tour continued to the Swartz Creek district property.

Swartz Creek District Garage, 4150 S. Morrish Road, Swartz Creek, 3:14 pm – 3:54 pm

At 3:14 pm, Swartz Creek District Temporary Supervisor, Mr. Devin Mosholder, gave a tour of the Swartz Creek District garage facility. The Swartz Creek district maintains Clayton, Flint and Gaines Township roads. Mr. Mosholder gave a tour of the main building, showing the breakroom, restroom, and stockroom as well as the recent improvements made to the building. Mr. Dellaposta added that this district is on the list for possible major improvements in the future because it is in a great location. Mr. Mosholder showed the board the salt barn and the outside

material storage and said the Swartz Creek garage has the most employees of any of the other districts due to their close proximity to the major trunklines. Most recently, we added the lean to and the salt barn to this facility.

Mr. Dellaposta indicated that this concludes the tour of the districts. The Board members commented that all of the districts were clean, well maintained and organized and they wanted to thank each supervisor for the tour.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Elkins adjourned the meeting at 3:54 p.m.

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Clerk/Register

Linda B. Kossak, Secretary of the
Board of County Road Commissioners
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