

TOWN OF LIBERTY GROVE PUBLIC MEETING

Highway Committee Meeting

Date: Aug 4, 2025

Time: 8:00am

Place: Town Hall, 11161 Old Stage Road

Agenda:

1. Call to order
2. Declaration of Quorum
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approve minutes from 6/2/25
5. Public input
6. Parking at Pioneer Store (north side)
7. Consider roads for paving in 2026
8. Begin work on 2026 budget
9. Report on Status of current projects-Town Maintenance Crew
10. Correspondence
11. Future meeting date(s)
12. Adjourn

All agenda items will include discussion and possible action.

**Report items will not be discussed or voted on.*

Deviation from listed order may occur.

Audience members must ask for permission, during "Public input," to speak on agenda items.

Pamela Donart-Welcome, Clerk/Treasurer

Members of the Town Board or any other Town Committee, who are not members of the body whose meeting agenda is published in this notice, are entitled, as any other citizen of the Town of Liberty Grove, to attend this meeting in an unofficial capacity. It is possible the attendance of one or more non-members may create a quorum of the membership of another body. Such a quorum is unintended, and the non-members are not meeting for the purpose of exercising the powers or duties attendant upon their membership on any Town Committee or Board.

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(subject to change until final approval by the Committee)
Town of Liberty Grove
Minutes of the Highway Committee meeting on June 2, 2025

Agenda:

1. Call to order
2. Declaration of Quorum
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approve minutes from 4/24/25
5. Public input
6. Bids for chip-sealing
7. Additional “stop” signage where Europe Bay Rd & Isle View Rd intersect with Timberline Rd
8. Speed limit on Old Stage Rd
9. Report on Status of current projects-Town Maintenance Crew
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Chairman Dale Stewart called the meeting to order at 8:00am. Committee members Billy Appel and Bud Kalms were present along with Clerk/Treasurer Pamela Donart-Welcome, and 1 member of the public. Jay Olson and Bill Surbaugh were excused absent.

Kalms moved, Appel seconded to approve the agenda as presented. **Carried 3 - 0**

Appel moved, Stewart seconded to approve the 4/24/25 minutes as presented. **Carried 3 – 0**

Public input: Dale Stewart spoke about the many requests that come in from residents to have the speed limit reduced in front of their house. He noted that many factors go into setting speed limits, he feels the existing speed limits are sufficient, and the Town has limited ability to enforce speed limits when violations occur.

The two submitted **bids for 2025 chip sealing** were unsealed and reviewed. The bid from Fahrner Asphalt Sealers was \$99,193.00, and the bid from Scott Construction was \$102,013.00. Both amounts were within the Town’s budget for chip-sealing, however the bid from Fahrner did not include patching potholes prior to chip-sealing in their project proposal, as required in the published Ad for bids. The committee members decided that since Scott Construction will patch potholes as well as double-bar patching the road edges prior to their chip-sealing process, they should be awarded the project.

Appel moved, Kalms seconded to recommend the Town Board accept the bid form Scott Construction for chip-sealing the Town roads as laid out for a total of \$102,013.00. **Carried 3 – 0**

Appel clarified the need for **additional “stop” signage where Europe Bay Rd & Isle View Rd intersect with Timberline Rd** due to increased incidents of “close call incidents” at those intersections.

Administrator Kalms noted there is money in the Town budget for additional stop signs.

Stewart moved, Appel seconded to recommend the Town Board approve the installation of additional stop signs at the intersections where Europe Bay Road and Isle View Rd intersect with Timberline, but not creating a four-way stop. **Carried 3 – 0**

The committee discussed adding speed limit signs to clarify the existing speed limit of 55mp on Old Stage Road. Historically on unmarked Town Roads, it is understood that the speed limit is 55mph, however there have been several dangerous incidents resulting from apparent confusion about that rule. **Appel moved, Stewart seconded** to recommend the Town Board approve posting the 55mph speed limit as appropriate on Old Stage Road to acknowledge & clarify the existing speed limit. **Carried 3 – 0**

Administrator Kalms asked the committee members to start considering which roads might qualify for **paving in 2026**.

Current projects: Administrator Kalms reported that most of the 2025 paving & shouldering is underway and should be finished in the second week of June.

Correspondence: Kalms shared a request from a resident wanting the speed limit to be lowered on Highway 57 so it remains 45mph north of Highway Q between Old Stage and the Village of Sister Bay instead of increasing to 55mph along that stretch, and clarified the Town does not have jurisdiction over State highways; the lighted speed board was placed on Isle View Road again to deter speeding.

Future Meetings: The next meetings are scheduled for 8:00am on the first Mondays of each month beginning with July 7, 2025.

Appel moved, Kalms seconded to adjourn at 8:59am. **Carried 3 - 0**

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Donart-Welcome, Clerk/Treasurer

Pending approval at next meeting.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	I	K	L	M
1	Year	Equipment/Roads+rating	Rating	Year	Miles	\$ Pave	Removed	Actual		
150	2025	(\$165,000/mi.)								
151		Europe Bay(Timberline-Lake).95	3	1999	0.95	156,750		197,008.00		
152		Porcupine Bay Hill	3	1993	0.25	\$41,250		24,035.00		
153		Porcupine Bay Rd-STH 42 to Beach	5	1999			221,100			
154		North Appleport	3	1975	0.90	148,500		151,626.00		
155		Cedar Shore (EB launch - Garrett Bay Rd)	4	1976			37,950			
156		Appleport (ZZ to east end)	6	2004	0.98	161,700		163,788.00		
157		Flint Ridge (Town portion)	5	2000			84,150			
158		Wildwood (ZZ to Old Stage) 24 feet 4" thick	5	1998	1.50	345,605		355,634.00		
159		Frontier-G(CTH ZZ-Mink River)	4	1973			79,200			
160		Robin Ln(Appleport Rd northerly for 265 ft)	4					10,590.00		
161		Totals			4.58	\$853,805	422,400	902,681.00		
167										
168	2026	Flint Ridge	4	2000	0.51	84,150				
169		Porcupine Bay Rd-STH 42 to Beach	5	1999	1.34	\$221,100				
170		North Bay Rd	5	1997	2.30	379,500				
171		Pioneer	5	2000	0.50	82,500				
172		Top O Thumb	4	1993	0.33	54,450				
173		Robin Ln	5	2016	0.52	85,800				
174		North Badger(G)	4	1971	0.18	29,700				
175		Frontier(G)	4	1973	0.48	79,200				
176					5.68	937,200				
177										
178		Gravel:								
179		North Badger	4	1971	0.18					
180		Fawn Ln	4	1973	0.65					
181		Antler	4	1973	0.18					
182		Deer Trail	5	1971	0.59					
183		Goose Berry	4	1979	0.25					
184		Blackberry(harker)	4	1971	0.28					
185		Lost Ln	4	1985	0.26					
186		Frontier	4	1973	0.48					
187		Plant	5	1988	0.29					
188		Mueller Ln	5	1987	0.53					
189										
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191					3.69					