

IONIA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
PRELIMINARY 2015 BUDGET
BUDGET NOTES

These notes include additional information regarding the Preliminary Budget Summary for calendar year 2015 to be considered on December 17, 2013. The budget is balanced without spending any fund balance. Additional information can be provided upon request.

REVENUES – Budget Amount \$10,246,531

Michigan Transportation Funds – all categories – we have budgeted flat revenues compared to 2013 actual for our share of state gas tax and license plate receipts for 2015.

State Aid/Federal Aid – we have budgeted state and federal revenue for the David Highway over Grand River bridge preventive maintenance project, along with Preventive Maintenance on our All-Season and Federal Aid routes; and Safety projects on East Main, Keefer and Grand River.

State Trunkline Maintenance, Interest, Permits – we have budgeted pretty close to flat revenues in these categories. State trunkline maintenance did see a small budget increase for 2015.

Township Contributions and Other Contributions are budgeted lower than 2014 actual based on known and projected projects.

Gain on Sale of Equipment – includes monies expected from the sale of replaced equipment.

County Appropriation – no county appropriation included for 2015.

EXPENDITURES – Budget Amount \$10,245,304

Road and Bridge Maintenance (Routine, Winter & Preventive) – We have budgeted a modest 2% increase over 2010 budget levels. Winter Maintenance is budgeted at a lower level than the previous year based on high-low-high estimating. Since maintenance work is *very* heavily dependent on the weather and conditions beyond our control, funds may need to be added or deducted later in the year.

Road and Bridge Preservation/Improvement – We have budgeted expenditures for a preventive maintenance project on the David Highway bridge over the Grand River; East Main St. Safety Improvements, Keefer Highway and East Grand River Safety Improvements; Federal/State Preventive Maintenance Work on the Federal Aid and all season road system. No additional monies have been budgeted for Preventive Maintenance treatments (Crackseal, sealcoat & wedging) on the remaining Primary paved road system. \$80,000 has been budgeted for county primary regrading. We currently have no local funds budgeted for the traditional township match program for local roads or to match the Divine/David Safety project.

Net Equipment Expense – we have budgeted 2% increases in the cost of fuel, blades, utilities and major repairs to equipment.

Net Capital Outlay – we are attempting to maintain our large and expensive equipment. We have budgeted for 2 tandem axle dump trucks and an all-wheel drive motor grader. Funds have been budgeted for pickup trucks, a tractor, chainsaws, sanders/plows, along with funds for computer hardware and replacements and a phone system. We have budgeted funds for minor building maintenance work (painting) and for the first phase of generator installation.