

IONIA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
PRELIMINARY 2016 BUDGET
BUDGET NOTES

These notes include additional information regarding the Preliminary Budget Summary for calendar year 2016 to be considered on December 16, 2015. The budget is balanced spending \$125,555 of fund balance (carryover from 2015). Additional information can be provided upon request.

REVENUES – Budget Amount \$10,870,594

Michigan Transportation Funds – all categories – we have budgeted revenues based on 12 month actuals thru 10/31/2015 for our share of state gas tax and license plate receipts for 2016.

State Aid/Federal Aid – we have budgeted state and federal revenue for the David Highway over Libhart Creek and Whites Bridge over Flat River bridge replacements; along with Preventive Maintenance on our All-Season and Federal Aid routes; and a Safety project on Keefer Hwy.

State Trunkline Maintenance, Interest, Permits – we have budgeted pretty close to flat revenues in these categories. State trunkline maintenance did see a \$100,000 budget increase for 2016.

Township Contributions and Other Contributions are budgeted lower than 2015 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 2016.

EXPENDITURES – Budget Amount \$10,996,149

Road and Bridge Maintenance (Routine, Winter & Preventive) – We have budgeted a modest 2% increase over 2010 base 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 2 bridge replacement projects; Keefer Hwy Safety Improvements; Federal/State Preventive Maintenance Work on the Federal Aid and all season road system and 10 miles of Primary preventive maintenance chipseal. \$80,000 has been budgeted for county primary regravelling. We currently have no local funds budgeted for the traditional township match program for local roads.

Net Equipment Expense – we have budgeted 2% increases in the cost of blades, utilities and major repairs to equipment. Fuel expense has been budgeted lower than previous years.

Net Capital Outlay – we are attempting to maintain our large and expensive equipment. We have budgeted for 2 tandem axle dump trucks and a wheel loader. Funds have been budgeted for pickup trucks, chainsaws, sanders/plows, along with funds for computer hardware and software. We have budgeted funds for minor building maintenance work (painting).