

**AMENDED
POLICY NO. 32**

**BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR**

SUBJECT: Maintenance of Private Roads

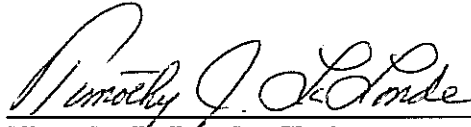
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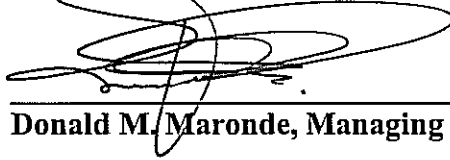
Effective with the adoption of this amendatory policy, the Board of St. Clair County Road Commissioners will continue to accept contracts to perform routine maintenance services on private roads. Only roads that have been maintained previously under contract by the Road Commission will be accepted, and the contracts must be signed by a St. Clair County township official, and by the majority of the property owners or their duly designated representative. No contracts for new private roads will be accepted. The Road Commission will not accept contracts for winter maintenance nor perform winter maintenance on any private road.

1. A request specifying work required and description of road must be filed by the Township Board. (Acceptable work will include grading, stone placement, chloride application and cross-road culvert replacement.) No Winter Maintenance will be allowed.
2. A written "Work Estimate and Authorization" between the Road Commission and the Township Board specifying the scope of work and reimbursement method will be executed.
3. An annual deadline of March 1st is set for renewal of the contract. Should a Township Board fail to renew the contract, the private road under that contract shall be permanently removed from the list of private roads that are acceptable for routine maintenance by the Road Commission.
4. The Road Commission is not responsible for any damage to property including bridges, drainage structures or seawalls.
5. Once a private road is hard surfaced, the Road Commission will discontinue any maintenance on that particular road.
6. Private roads are not eligible for matching fund programs.
7. Private roads will not receive service until normally scheduled work on certified roads has been met. Therefore, private road work may necessitate overtime charges.
8. The Road Commission reserves the right to refuse any work for any reason.

9. Staff are to provide the Board with an annual report on the status and scope of the work being contracted.



Timothy LaLonde, Chairman



Donald M. Maronde, Managing Director

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