

**Town of Bradford**  
**Special Meeting of Town Board**  
**Tuesday, August 26th, 2025**  
**Minutes**

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: David Moyer, Sharon Douglas, Loren Bobolz, Dan Huisheere, Ben Wellnitz, Jill Bier, and Marlina Jackson

Also present: Kevin Pope and Scott Broege

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Discussion and action on Culvert Estimates

Dave states he received 5 estimates from the county. Carvers Rock, 2 for Emerald Grove, Dunn Road, Trescher, and S Carver Rock by Popes that is part of the ARIP program. Dave talked to the county and wanted them to complete the work and still keep the funding for ARIP. Dave talked to Nick last week and he advised that we will get 50% reimbursement. The moneys that would have gone to repair the Carvers rock culvert it would stay in as a buffer for funding. Dave wants to see it get done for under \$125000. Loren asks if the return is 80% or 50%? Dave responds that with his conversation with Nick he indicted the tiling would be built up around it and put over the metal. Culverts would be placed and backfilled, leaving the tiles intact. There would be no change to the tile or digging it out. Kevin states he does not agree with that as it would bury the tile Kevin asks hypothetically as hes lived there for 40 years and asks Scott as well, when water has ran through his hayfield? Kevin asks what happens if it washed out under the culvert since the tiles dead head in to the culvert. It needs a bigger diameter to accommodate the tiling. Dave responds that it does not need to be a bigger culvert, just lower. Dave states if he is willing to empty in to the culvert and if it is buried under the culvert it would not be able to be repaired. Dave asked why?? Kevin responds that it is a 530 acre watershed. Dan asks where it is dumping. Kevin states it is dumping on Scotts on the east side. Kevin says the tile is below that. Rather than bury the existing culvert, elevatite it. Dave states he fully agrees and does not think it would change the size of the culvert. Scott asks if Kevin is dumping his 3 tiles into it and where does it go? Kevin say its taken the underground pipe out and free falls from the west ot the east and comes out on Townhall road. Loren suggests going 1” below the tile so it doesn't settle. Jill states when Ron Duffy was working on culverts the way the county did them would wash out. Dan says hes with Kevin on that and that if you're going to put a new road on it we do not want to dig it up. Kevin asks bout putting a small knee wall where the small squash culvert will be? He states because of flood conditions it would be beneficial. Those tiles would hold the dirt back. Dave responds that it will hinder the flow . Kevin staters if you put an obstruction in it would keep the sediment in place. Ben asks how deep the ditch is? Kevin states he wouldn't mind backing the water up there. Dave asks about doing the knee wall after work is completed? KEvin says putting heavy pavers in would be advantageous for the farm. Waterfall would in long run save the dirt.

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Loren asks if he could do it with rip rock? Kevin says a 90\* angle is needed for the watershed. Dan says there is any other tile that goes through those culverts and if a 10-15' gap is there something should be constructed to hold it back. Dan states there will be heavy rip wrap in the base of the culvert. Kevin asks if there's a flume that goes on the end of culvert? Dave says the biggest thing is we need to get them done. Ben asks about using one of those big concrete blocks? Sharon asks if we give him 2 or 3 if that would be sufficient? Loren asks if 2' is enough? Kevin responds that it could be done later and he is ok with a squash culvert. Dave states we won't get ARIP funds for the repair. A motion to accept the culvert bids from the county (Loren Bobolz/Ben Wellnitz). Motion carries by voice vote with no negative vote. Kevin says the bottom of the culvert has to be lower than existing tile. Dan asks if they are flowing now? Loren asks if they'll have to put on an inlet? Kevin says the squash culvert is lower than tile. 1st 50-75' on the other side is banked up and splash pad is on the other side. Scott says if wider culvert put in it might change the splash pad. Kevin asks what the time frame is? Dave says the upcoming week. Gravel will need to settle and ARIP is beginning work next year. Carvers Rock by Minkey road it seems to be simpler. Loren asks if blacktop is included? Sharon says it looks like they want to do it but there's no carry over for blacktop. Dan says it's \$150/t but that might not be the price next year. Dave says they told him they have to sit for almost a year. A motion to approve the Carvers Rock culvert by Minkey Road (Sharon Douglas/Loren Bobolz). Motion carries by voice vote with no negative vote. Jill asks if the road is wide enough up there? Dave says it's engineered by engineers so it would be right. A motion to approve a 40' long culvert on Trescher Road (Loren Bobolz/Dan Huisheere). Motion carries by voice vote with no negative vote. Dunn road is weight limited. A motion to approve the Dunn road culvert replacement (Ben Wellnitz/Dan Huisheere). Emerald Grove by Freds...6x6 holding them up. Loren says we'll have to wait til 140 done since we can't close it. Sharon says the stipulation has to be open before they come close to it (Sharon Douglas/Ben Wellnitz). Motion carries by voice vote with no negative vote. 140 work is a week behind and was supposed to be done by September 2nd. Culverts are not restrictive and can be done anytime. Jill asks when the dairy will start chopping? Scott responds that he thinks Tuesday. Dan will text Brian to find out.

5. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn (Sharon Douglas/Loren Bobolz). Motion carries by voice vote with no negative vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.