Grubba asks \$20 million in road improvements

A public hearing will be held Monday, Aug. 13 on a \$46.4 million proposed budget for lices 1985 that was submitted to the Board of Ozakand County Road Commis-sioners by Managing Director John L. Grubba.

The hearing will be at 7:30 p.m. in the Orion Township Hall, 2525 Jeslyn Road.

More than one-third of total spending (\$15.7 million) is allocated to the mainte-

- NEWLY PROGRAMMED projects and
 1985 funding include:

 Ocreating a boulevard on Big Beaver
 and at Rochester Road in Troy (\$2 millloo) Creating a boulevard on Big Beaver
 Road at the Chakland County side of Dequindre (\$85,000).

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 Ocreating a boulevard on Greenfield
 Road between Lincoln and 10 Mile Road in
 Southfield (\$100,000).

 Traffic signal upgrading at locations
 to be determined (\$275,000).

 Replacement of the bridge on Lahser
 Road just south of 13 Mile Road in Boverly
 Hills (\$500,000).

 Reconstruction of the intersection of
- Reconstruction of the intersection of Pontiac Trail and Decker Road in Walled

The Oakland County Road Commission has reached agreements with 17 communities wishing to participate in int-party road improvement projects for 1948.
Also, two communities, Also and Rose townships, have agreed to fund 100 percent of other additional projects.
Under the tri-party program, each of the communities selects projects and commits to provide one-third of costs. The Oakland

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Lake (\$94,000).

• Tri-party projects at locations to be determined (\$1.3 million).

• Preliminary engineering for following future projects: Resurfacing four miles of Long Lake Road between Orchard Lake and Telegraph in West Hloomfield and Bloomfield Townships (\$40,000); replacement of the bridge on Andersonville Road north of Altport Road in Waterford Township (\$430,000); and, reconstructing the intersection of Maple Road at Dequindre in Troy (\$150,000).

- FUNDING FOR the proposed \$20.2 mil-on road program is as follows:

 \$3.5 million federal aid.

 \$2.4 million fload Commission reve-
- \$3.5 million Road Commission revenues from state-collected while fuel and registration taxes, fees and other.
 \$4.9 million special assessments.
 Total state-collected vehicle (ue) and registration taxes, which are the road commission's basic revenues, are projected to be \$24.9 million in fixeal 1085. Federal aid for all purposes is projected to be \$9.4 million.

lion.
The \$44.4 million preposed budget also projects \$5 million of reimbursements from the Michigan Department of Trans-

County Road Commission provides one-third and the county general fund provides one-third.

Among the latest agreements, the projects and total project costs are:

Avon Township — \$35,000 to add a passing lane and pave the approach at Avon and Bollinger roads, tri-party.

Bloomfield Township — \$150,625 to pave Hickory Grove Road from Lahser

portation (M-DOT) for state highway main-tenance and other services, \$4 million total from local governments, \$1.7 million from fees and other resources; and appropria-tion of \$1.2 million from fund balance.

Grubba's proposed budget provides for 532 staff positions, up from 516 in the cur-rent fiscal year and about the number ac-thorized prior to 1886-52 cutbacks. The payroll would total \$15.1 million plus fringes.

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ROAD MAINTENANCE projects proposed include 11.5 miles of midmal resurfacing that is, resurfacing of the existing payement but no other roadway improvements. The miles targeted include:

© Grand River Avenue between Rent Lake and Milliord roads in Juyon Township (1.7 miles).

John R Road between Long Lake and Square Lake roads in Troy (one mile).

South Boulevard between Rechester and John R roads bordering Avon and Troy (one mile).

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Big Beaver Road between Rochester and John R roads in Troy (one mile).

Grubba sald, "Resurfacing projects in our road improvement program include efforts to improve safety of the roadway, such as shoulder paving and guard rails.

tions of roadways which have relatively on the collect statistics and which already have adequate design characteristics.

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GRUBBA SAID the proposed bodget is 13.3 percent higher than the last 12-month budget (641 million in fiscal 1983), but largely because it includes carry-over proj-cets.

"Actual expenditures in fiscal 1983 were fiscal 1983," he said.

followed that which means not combined to the receive indexest /aid/ reimbursements, and other funding for those projects was also carried ower as fund balances. The receive is that of McMagna Transportation Funds (MTP), or atta-collected vehicle foel and registration taxes, which is the only money we relieve for mulnitenance and which provides the loverage to qualify for federal and local contributions, and Grobbs.

The \$24.9 million of MTP revenue projected for fineal 1983 pt.7 percent greates than the \$23.1 million actually received in fineal 1983, he said.

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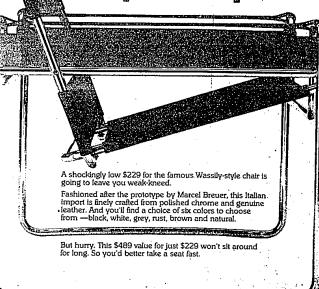
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