

REGULAR MEETING

May 23, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of Isabella was held in their offices at 2261 E. Remus Road, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, on May 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Graham and Members present were Turnwald, Graham, Beltinck, and Curtiss. Absent: Commissioner Busch.

Motion by Turnwald, seconded by Curtiss to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Beltinck, seconded by Turnwald to approve the Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on May 09, 2019. Ayes: All. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Turnwald, seconded by Beltinck to ask the Chairman to call for a roll call vote to approve the Vouchers issued in the amount of \$559,052.33 and Payroll in the amount of \$71,332.42 and the County Treasurer is authorized to transfer funds for same. Commissioner Beltinck, Yes; Turnwald, Yes; Graham, Yes; and Curtiss, Yes.

Correspondence: N/A

Public comment: Bill Hauck, Union Township Trustee, questioned if there was going to be a left hand turn lane on Pickard and Isabella. He also stated that one of the Union Township Board Members was questioned on the sidewalks on Crawford Road. Robert Smith, Supervisor for Chippewa Township, was at the meeting to discuss the reasons why Chippewa Township was not going to participate in the 5% Local Cost Share of Shepherd Road Bridge.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

Motion by Beltinck, seconded by Turnwald to sign contract with Wise Township for the following project which includes contingencies:

a) 465-16-31602 - 4-WAY FLASHER TRAFFIC SIGNAL (Peremarquette @ Leaton) in the amount of \$10,011 with contingency (Wise Township 100%)
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Ayes: All. Nays: none. Motion Carried

Motion by Turnwald, seconded by Curtiss to authorize the board and clerk to sign and date the MDOT request for Reimbursement of \$10,000 for having a licensed PE on staff. Ayes: All. Nays: none. Motion Carried

Motion by Turnwald, seconded by Beltinck to approve the resolution that agrees to the Tri-county's request to execute the Institutional Control Form for Submission to MDEQ which indicates that the ICRC has no current plans to relocate, vacate or abandon the right-of-way of

County Line Road or any part thereof and authorize the ICRC manager to execute the Institutional Control Form on behalf of the ICRC. Commissioner Turnwald, Yes; Commissioner Graham, Yes; Commissioner Curtiss, Yes; Commissioner Beltinck, Yes.

The Finance Director reviewed the bi-weekly financial report for the period ending May 16, 2019. The Finance Director updated the Commissioners on the changes on the AR – Open Aging Summary Report. The Road Commission received the April Interest of \$383.53. The Finance Director gave an update on the Finance Seminar that she attended on May 7th through 9th. She learned about a new option of investing money that was available to road commissions called Michigan Class. The road commission could invest the money in an account with the rates equivalent to CD rates. However, the money could be pulled out within a 24 hour notice without any type of penalty whenever needed. She informed the Commissioners that she had already worked with the County Treasurer's office (who has invested with them for the past couple of years) in getting an account set up. The Road Commission had 3 CD's that were maturing. These CD's were cashed in and invested in this Michigan Class account. The Finance Director informed the Commissioners that they had received their first deposit from the Oxcart Permits Systems.

The Superintendent gave the following report:

- Done pulling gravel shoulders for this year
- 5 townships have had chloride so far – will start back up after holiday
- Blanchard Rd Project
- Woodruff to Blanchard garage burms have been pulled and ready for wedging
- Whiteville Rd job – burms are pulled and will be ready for wedging
- Doing our best with detours
- Cemeteries have been brined for the holiday
- Grader and V Bottom started working in Coe Twp for the Pine River Wind Project
- Airline Rd project – 4 miles. Will re-group after the holiday for new schedules. Rain has pushed everybody back.
- Gravel program may start shortly after holiday
- Talked with Hubschers and they have increased our 23-A modified to 40,000 ton instead of 35,000 ton out of Deerfield. Left Loomis Pit at 10,000.

The Manager updated the Board of the upcoming 2019 Road & Bridge Projects. The Manager informed the Commissioners that the new shoulder machine was here. He also stated that the last Military truck was done. The Manager will be working with Josh at Michigan Cat on whether we want to buy out the old motor grader lease or exchange it for a new one since our lease is up for renewal. The Manager informed the Commissioners that he and the Finance Director was currently working on a revised budget. Gladwin County Road Commission was hosting a free training seminar for new hires (up to 3 years) on May 30th. Isabella County Road Commission was going to be sending 6 employees to this training. The Manager also informed the Commissioners that the ICRC Supervisor held a day of training and testing on 4 different employees who were interested in becoming a Heavy Equipment Operator instead of Truck Driver. After watching the employees use the

equipment they were evaluated on their skills and/or notes were made on what they needed to improve on in order to be an Equipment Operator. **One** employee was moved up to Equipment Operator status.

Committee Reports: N/A

Motion by Curtiss, seconded by Beltinck to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m. Ayes: All.
Nays: None. Motion carried.