

REGULAR MEETING

September 12, 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 September 12, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

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

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

Motion by Curtiss, seconded by Beltinck to approve the Regular Board Minutes held on August 22, 2019 as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Beltinck, seconded by Curtiss to ask the Chairman to call for a roll call vote to approve the Vouchers issued in the amount of \$734,719.66 and Payroll in the amount of \$71,340.01 and the County Treasurer is authorized to transfer funds for same. Commissioner Turnwald, Yes; Beltinck, Yes; and Curtiss, Yes.

Correspondence: N/A

Public comment: Bill Hauck, Union Township Trustee, inquired on the reason of the traffic study on Lincoln and Baseline. The Manager explained that he would be discussing this in his Managers Report.

Old Business: N/A

New Business: N/A

The Finance Director reviewed the bi-weekly financial report for the period ending September 05, 2019. The Finance Director updated the Commissioners on the changes on the AR – Open Aging Summary Report. The Finance Director also billed \$42,000 dollars in BIA projects after the AR – Open Aging Summary Report was run. The Road Commission received the August Interest of \$233.47, \$4,043.07 in Investment interest, and \$5,529.40 in MI-Class investment income. The Finance Director informed the Commissioners that they had received another deposit from the Oxcart Permits Systems in the amount of \$420.29. The Finance Director informed the Commissioners the MTF funds to date increase for the new year is 7.02% (Increase of \$448,578). The Finance Director informed the Commissioners that ICRC received a check from the Michigan County Road Commission Self-Insurance Pool for the 2019 insurance year refund in the amount of \$125,995. The total net premium paid for the 2019 year was \$193,977 which means we paid a net amount of \$67,982.00.

The Superintendent gave the following report:

- Lincoln Road – M-20 to Pickard Paving job – done except for paint
- Vernon City Project is done
- Pine River Wind in Coe Township – started hauling gravel

- Salt is in
 - 1000 Ton to M.P.
 - 200 Ton to W.S.P
- Took Chase and Brock to Superintendent Meeting on Tuesday at Ogemaw County Road Commission

The Manager gave an update on the status of the 2019 Road Projects. The Manager explained to Bill and the Board that ICRC has hired a traffic study to be done on Baseline and Lincoln. ICRC is using a outside company to do this traffic study and give the road commission their recommendations on any issues that they see with this corner. The Manager explained that it would be nice to have someone else's eyes on the issue. The Manger informed the Commissioners that he and the Finance Director have been working on the 2020 budget. The new 2020 Budget and final 2019-C Budget will be ready for approval on the September 26th, 2019 meeting. The Manager informed the Commissioners that Isabella County Road Commission had made it on the County Road Association Self-Insurance Fund's Risk Control Honor Roll again. This was achieved by keeping ICRC's experience modification factor below 1.00 when calculated in the 2018-19 coverage year. Isabella County Road Commission was 1 of 4 counties (out of 83 counties) who got the Goose Egg Award (No Workers Comp. Claims for the year). He also informed that Commissioners that Isabella County Road Commission was 1 of 2 counties (out of the 83 counties) who has received this award 3 years in a row. The Manager explained that the ICRC Engineer has emailed Robert Smith and Fran Ash an estimate for reconstructing and paving Riverside Drive west of Leaton. The Manager informed the Commissioners that a check for \$206,978 was received from the Pine River Wind Energy, LLC to make necessary repairs to the roads to return the roads to the condition they were before the wind turbine traffic. These repairs include 2 large culverts and lots of gravel. The Manager informed the Commissioners that he along with the ICRC Engineer and Superintendent would be meeting with Kim Smith, Union Township Public Works Coordinator, and Mark Stuhldreher, Union Township Manager, about the future 2020 Union Township projects. Later that day the Manager would also be meeting with Joe White and Pat Glowacki in Lansing over the plans of the new building. A discussed was held on the new road funding bill and how it was not going anywhere right now. Only 4% of the new funding would be going to Local Bridges. The Manager believes that this will only allow local road agencies to make more band aids not long haul fixes to the Infrastructure. Every year that goes by our state is estimated to lose another 100 million dollars in Infrastructure.

Committee Reports: Commissioner Turnwald explained that he really was not happy with the work that Reith Riley had done on a couple of roads in Mecosta County. The Manager explained that it may have to do with Reith Riley's Union being on strike. They also have other labors working on the road jobs.

Motion by Beltinck, seconded by Curtiss to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 a.m. Ayes: All.
Nays: None. Motion carried.