

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held a regular meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, April 14, 2009.

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. with the following persons present or absent:

PRESENT: William Anderson, Roger Betzinger, Mary Maas, Darrell Moilanen and Lisa Savord. Also present were John Davis, Gary Dill, Gary Dantinne and Joe Skrobiak.

ABSENT: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions to agenda - None.

Public comments – Joe Skrobiak asked if weight restrictions were still in place. Moilanen stated they were. Gary Dill asked if Bacco would be coming back to widen out 9.5 Lane. He also stated some of the road signs hadn't been replaced. Moilanen stated that Bacco would be doing a project for MDOT this summer near that area and he would make MDOT aware of the concerns.

Public appearances - None.

Additions/corrections to minutes for 03/10/09 Betzinger asked that the minutes be corrected as follows: The meeting date in the first paragraph was listed as February 10, 2009 and should be corrected to March 10, 2009. There being no further corrections, Anderson declared that the minutes approved as corrected.

Financial Report -

	Receipts	Expenditures	Payables/ Reserves	Balances
Balance, March 9, 2009				\$1,433,765.57
Receipts thru 03/31/09	97,691.70			
Expenditures thru 03/31/09		114,234.48		
Balance, March 31, 2009				\$1,417,222.79
Michigan Transportation Funds	342,931.99			
Receipts thru 04/13/09	50,669.64			
Expenditures thru 04/13/09		358,707.75		
State Maint. & Equip. Advances			105,811.00	
Balance, April 13, 2009	491,293.33	472,942.23	105,811.00	\$1,346,305.67

Payables & Reserves

Payroll 04/16, 04/30 (Est.)			170,000.00	
Soc. Sec. 04/16, 04/30 (Est.)			26,010.00	
Reserve for workers compensation insurance			6,700.00	
Reserve for liability insurance			13,500.00	
Reserve for new rental grader lease			77,584.09	
Reserve 4% set-aside for township allocations (2004/2005)			23,139.08	
Reserve 4% set-aside for township allocations (2005/2006)			61,534.71	
Reserve 4% set-aside for township allocations (2006/2007)			99,685.06	
Reserve Hannahville 2% Funds - Wilson Creek Bridge			50,000.00	
Reserve Federal Aid Buy-Out [CR 338 Project]			292,870.08	
Reserve for driveway deposits			1,186.09	
Reserve for Design Engineering for Local Bridges			41,554.12	
Reserve for CR 557 Bridge over Big Cedar River			134,600.00	
Reserve for Pavement Markings			51,000.00	
Reserve for Forest Funds			161,015.98	
Reserve for equipment			4,317.52	(\$1,214,696.73)
				\$ 131,608.94

There being no questions or comments, Anderson declared the financial report accepted as read.

Vouchers # 09-0331, 09-0035, 09-0037, and 09-0038 – Maas asked for clarification of two items, which was

given by Moilanen. Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas, that the vouchers be approved and ordered paid. Carried unanimously.

Discuss letter from Lillian Schultz, Spalding Township Supervisor – Ms. Schultz’s letter asked that the list of projects identified at the February 11, 2009 annual township/road commission meeting be clarified to include a request for a lift to be implemented right off of US 41 turning onto 36.5 Mile Road.

Sign contract for Evergreen Road paving – Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas that the contract be signed. Carried unanimously.

Open bids for paving of Old CR 352 – Bids were received as follows:

Payne & Dolan, Gladstone, MI	\$143,542.73
Bacco Construction Co, Iron Mountain, MI	\$137,753.99

Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas, to have the bids tabulated and then present them to Stephenson Township. Carried unanimously.

Award bid for Culverts – Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas, to award to the low bidder – Contech Construction Products, Kimberly, WI. Carried unanimously.

Award design of F-4 Lane Bridge over the Big Cedar River – Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas to award to the low bidder – AECOM, Marquette, MI. Carried unanimously.

Award 2009 Bridge Inspections, Scour Analysis and Plans of Action – Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas to award to the low bidder – Ayres Associates, Eau Claire, WI. Carried unanimously.

Permission to bid Mineral Well Brine – Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas to have Moilanen advertise for the bids. Carried unanimously.

Permission to bid Scrap Iron pickup – Moved by Maas, seconded by Betzinger to have Moilanen advertise for the bids. Carried unanimously.

Permission to bid dead deer pickup on State Trunk line – Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas to have Moilanen advertise for the bids. Carried unanimously.

Discuss Construction Superintendent vacancy – John St. Juliana will retire from the Road Commission effective April 24, 2009. Moilanen commented on the excellent job that St. Juliana has done during his 33 years with the road commission. Discussion was held regarding distribution of his duties since the vacant position will not be filled at this time. It was moved by Anderson, seconded by Maas to allow Moilanen to secure training for current personnel as needed and to contract out any work that needed to be completed prior to current personnel having the time to be trained. Carried unanimously.

Other Business – Maas asked that discussing the status of the Menominee shop be added to the May meeting agenda.

Moilanen presented a letter received from the Menominee County Board requesting two nominees from the road commission for a 3 year term on the Menominee County Planning Committee. Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas to nominate Moilanen and Anderson. Carried unanimously.

Betzinger presented a letter received from Wayne County asking for the road commission’s support of a gas tax.

Anderson & Maas stated they would attend the CRASIF/MCRSIP Safety workshop at the Delta County Road Commission office on April 15.

Betzinger inquired about the possibility of sending employees that are on work comp to Goodwill Industries. This was tabled until further notice.

Public Comment – Joe Skrobiak asked if Holmes Township still had 4% funds available. Moilanen responded that they did. Skrobiak also asked if State W-2 road would be worked on this year. Moilanen stated that would be up to the current township board if they wish to pursue the project.

There being no further business, Anderson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Lisa Savord
Road Commission Finance Director/Clerk

William Anderson
Chair