

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held a special meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, December 29, 2009.

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with the following persons present or absent:

PRESENT: William Anderson, Roger Betzinger, Mary Maas, Darrell Moilanen and Lisa Savord.

ABSENT: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions to agenda – None.

Public comments – None.

Public Appearances – None.

Review information for annual township meetings- Items discussed included a list of proposed projects for 2010, Chip Sealing to be done possibly in 2011, townships being responsible for 100% of the cost for new projects, 4% set-aside balances and outstanding accounts receivable balances.

Resolution to approve Grader lease – Moved by Maas, seconded by Betzinger to adopt the resolution provided by Caterpillar Financial to allow Moilanen to sign all paperwork for the lease of the new grader. Carried unanimously.

Discuss MDOT request for a drainage easement at Menominee shop – Moilanen stated that the DEQ will not let MDOT move the drainage ditch into the existing easement area. Moved by Maas, seconded by Betzinger to have Moilanen calculate the acreage needed for the new easement and determine a purchase price for the parcel to present to MDOT. Carried unanimously.

Approve participation in 2010 TV6 PSA's at a cost of \$803.64/year – It was noted that a large number of county residents are unable to get TV6 as their local channel and would therefore never see the PSA's. Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas to not participate in the cost. Carried unanimously.

Other Business – Moilanen presented a letter received from Tom & Andrea Geltz expressing concern about a private party constructing a 20' wide private bridge from upper Twin Island to the Michigan side. The island is considered Wisconsin property, but the only access would be from the Michigan side. The letter asked if the bridge could be awarded to the road commission in the future for plowing and maintenance. Moilanen stated that the road commission has the right to accept or reject a structure or road based on whether or not it was built to the proper specifications. Moilanen will contact the Geltz's asking for the exact location of the proposed bridge.

Moilanen stated that the Stephenson shop fork lift needs an extensive amount of repairs, and due to its age parts cannot be found. There is a used Toyota forklift for sale at Martin Saw & Tool for \$3500. Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas to give Moilanen permission to purchase the used forklift if it is in good condition and parts are readily available. Carried unanimously.

Public Comments – None.

There being no further business, Anderson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

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Road Commission Finance Director-Clerk

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Road Commission Chair