

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held a regular meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, December 14, 2010.

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the following persons present or absent:

PRESENT: William Anderson, Roger Betzinger, Mary Maas, Darrell Moilanen and Lisa Savord. Also present were Tony Kakuk, Chuck Behrend, Darlene Nerat, John Nerat, and David Wesoloski.

ABSENT: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions to agenda - None.

Public comments – None.

Public appearances – None.

Additions/corrections to minutes for 11/09/10 – There being no additions or corrections, Anderson declared that the minutes will stand as recorded.

Financial Report –

	Receipts	Expenditures	Payables / Reserves	Balances
Balance, November 8, 2010				\$1,920,894.17
Receipts thru 11/30/10	61,214.15			
Expenditures thru 11/30/10	-	226,816.39	-	
Balance, November 30, 2010				\$1,755,291.93
Michigan Transportation Funds	213,499.38			
Receipts thru 12/13/10	11,286.19			
Expenditures thru 12/13/10		201,549.63		
State Maint. & Equip. Advances			89,358.00	
Balance, December 13, 2010	285,999.72	428,366.02	89,358.00	\$1,689,169.87

Payables & Reserves

Payroll 12/23, 01/06 (Est.)	120,000.00
Soc. Sec. 12/23, 01/06 (Est.)	9,180.00
Reserve for workers compensation insurance	9,118.00
Reserve for liability insurance	97,680.00
Reserve for rental grader lease(Dec,09)	73,871.12
Reserve for rental grader leases(Oct,10)	323,179.20
Reserve 4% set-aside for township allocations (2004/2005)	0.00
Reserve 4% set-aside for township allocations (2005/2006)	24,326.64
Reserve 4% set-aside for township allocations (2006/2007)	40,251.27
Reserve for MCRC balance of Old US2 over Wilson Creek	61,388.73
Reserve Hannahville 2% Funds-Town Line Rd to Vincent Ln Const.	17,632.69
Reserve Hannahville 2% Funds-Town Line Rd to Vincent Ln Pave	26,092.51
Reserve for MCRC balance of Town Line Rd to Vincent Ln Pave	47,907.00
Reserve Hannahville 2% Funds-Cty Line Rd. Borings	5,000.00
Reserve for Bridge Inspections,Scour&Plans of Action	93,472.50
Reserve for Design of F-4 Bridge / Big Cedar River	10,182.00
Reserve for HVAC/Ventilation Unit-Steph Shop	83,835.00
Reserve for Inglst. Twp. Share of N. Pinewoods Loop Const.	15,418.73
Reserve for N. Pinewoods Loop Paving	0.00
Reserve for No. 19 Road Paving (Lake Twp)	3,194.75
Reserve for 3 local bridges(DaggettTwp)	1,777.08

Reserve for Forest Funds	161,023.46	
Reserve for equipment	55,974.00	\$ (1,280,504.68)
		\$ 408,665.19

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

Vouchers # 11-0010, 11-0012, 11-0014 and 11-1130 – Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Maas, that the vouchers be approved and ordered paid. Carried unanimously.

Discuss schedule for 2011 Annual Township/Road Commission meetings – The preliminary schedule was set and will be sent to the township supervisors with a letter requesting a response whether or not they would like to meet with the road commission, and if so, whether the scheduled time works for their township officials. A special meeting of the road commission will be held in January to discuss the content of the township meetings.

Discuss nominations to the Menominee County Planning Commission – Moved by Maas, seconded by Betzinger to nominate Moilanen and Anderson, contingent upon clarification of the wording of the ordinance. Carried unanimously.

Discuss Remonumentation costs – Moilanen will discuss the costs associated with remonumentation and which department will pay for this, at the County Remonumentation Committee meeting on December 20, 2010. The topic will then be readdressed at the January 11, 2011 road commission regular monthly meeting.

Discuss attendance at the upcoming Great Lakes Council meeting – Anderson, Betzinger, Moilanen and incoming commissioner Tony Kakuk will attend the meeting, which is scheduled for January 6, 2011 in Baraga.

Any other business – Moilanen stated that he had received an email from MCRCSIP asking for a letter of interest and resume from any commissioner or road commission employee that is interested in filling two vacant positions on the MCRCSIP Board.

A survey from Mason County Road Commission was received asking whether or not the board would be in support of an amendment to CRAM policy that would allow each district to vote for their CRAM representatives only, rather than statewide. Moilanen will respond that the board agrees with the proposed amendment.

Betzinger asked Moilanen for a status on the following projects: CR581 (completed), ditching on Evergreen Road (completed), Johnson Lane (scheduled for 2011), Pavement markings (completed), and Old US41 over Wilson Creek (scheduled for 2011).

Public Comment – David Wesoloski asked when the Menominee Township meeting with the road commission was scheduled. It is tentatively set for January 31, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Wesoloski asked the commission's thoughts on the township having Scott Construction use cold roll paving for No. 9 Road. Moilanen stated that it seemed to be a good product and that it was about \$5/ton cheaper than hot mix asphalt.

Mr. Wesoloski asked how many years plan the township should prepare for the annual meeting. Moilanen stated that the road commission generally plans 5 years, but is only able to commit to one year.

Darlene Nerat asked on behalf of Dale Axtell why his road was not graded as well as it had been in the past. Moilanen stated that it may have been due to several new people operating the grader and things should improve once the position is filled.

John Nerat asked if the reason that the MTF receipts were down in October was due to the state ending its fiscal year. Moilanen stated that the MTF funds change due to fluctuations in gas usage.

There being no further business, Anderson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:38 a.m.