

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held a regular meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, June 7, 2011. Chair Betzinger called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the following persons present or absent:

PRESENT: William Anderson, Roger Betzinger, Anthony Kakuk, Darrell Moilanen and Lisa Savord. Also present were Roger Cole, Chuck Behrend, Darlene Nerat, John Nerat, Dale Axtell, Kandace Curran, Brian Bousley and Mark Jasper.

ABSENT: None

Public comments – None.

Public appearances – None.

Additions/corrections to minutes of 05/10/11 and 05/19/11 – There being no additions or corrections, Betzinger declared that the minutes will stand as recorded.

Financial Report –	Receipts	Expenditures	Payables/ Reserves	Balances
Balance, May 09, 2011				\$1,634,451.35
Receipts thru 05/31/11	41,021.68			
Expenditures thru 05/31/11		278,169.12		
Balance, May 31, 2011				\$1,397,303.91
Michigan Transportation Funds	303,798.63			
Receipts thru 06/06/11	28,885.92			
Expenditures thru 06/06/11		128,355.53		
State Maint. & Equip. Advances			76,676.00	
Balance, June 06, 2011	373,706.23	406,524.65	76,676.00	\$1,524,956.93

Payables & Reserves

Payroll 06/09, 06/23 (Est.)			130,000.00	
Soc. Sec. 06/09, 06/23 (Est.)			9,945.00	
Reserve for workers comp. insurance			10,015.00	
Reserve for liability insurance			23,922.00	
Reserve for rental grader lease (Dec 2009)			73,871.12	
Reserve for rental grader leases (Oct 2010)			323,179.20	
Reserve 4% set-aside for twp. allocations (2005/2006)			12,110.91	
Reserve 4% set-aside for twp. allocations (2006/2007)			40,251.27	
Reserve for MCRC balance of Old US2 over Wilson Cry.			15,059.58	
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-County Line Rd. Borings			1,217.76	
Reserve Hannahville 2% Funds-Copier			5,000.00	
Reserve Hannahville 2% Funds-Sign Truck			22,500.00	
Reserve for Design of F-4 Bridge over Big Cedar River			5,940.79	
Reserve for 2011 bridge inspections & load ratings			30,505.00	
Reserve for HVAC/Ventilation Unit-Steph Shop			0.00	
Reserve for F-4 Lane bridge (Harris Twp.)			27,000.00	
Reserve for Forest Funds			161,023.46	
Reserve for equipment			30,974.00	(1,014,147.29)
				\$ 510,809.64

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

Vouchers # 11-0041, 11-0043, 11-0044 and 11-0531 – Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Anderson,

that the vouchers be approved and ordered paid. Carried unanimously.

Open bids for 2011 Scrap Iron pickup & disposal – Bids were received and read aloud as follows:

Reliable Recycling, Marinette, WI: Market price per Chicago Iron Age Publication, less \$140.00
A&L Iron & Metal, Gaylord & Escanaba, MI: 50% of market value

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk, to have the bids tabulated and then award the bid at the July regular meeting. Carried unanimously.

Award bid for 2011 Culvert needs – Moilanen explained that UP Concrete Pipe Co.'s bid was lower, but they would only hold the price until June 30, 2011. Contech Construction's bid was higher, but the bid was good for the full year. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk to award the bid to Contech Construction. Carried unanimously.

Act on abandonment of a portion of U-1 Lane – Moilanen stated that the DNR and Lake Township had both declined to take jurisdiction of the road and that all easements had been recorded.

Commissioner Anderson offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption.

WHEREAS, a petition has been received requesting the absolute abandonment and discontinuance of a certain road in Lake Townships described as follows:

Commencing at the centerline of U-1 Lane; thence 0.9 miles in a northwesterly direction through Section 22, T.35N. - R. 28W. in Lake Township; Menominee County, Michigan.

Said petition having been signed by 7 or more freeholders in the Township of Lake.

AND WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held at 8:45 a.m., April 12, 2011 and it has been determined that it is to be in the best interest of the public that said road shall be absolutely abandoned and discontinued.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to MCLA 224.18, MSA 9.118, the Board of Menominee County Road Commissioners does hereby absolutely abandon and discontinue forever said road, reserving a ten (10) foot easement on either side of all existing public utilities forever.

Seconded by Commissioner Kakuk and carried by the following vote: Ayes 3; Nays 0.

Permission to solicit quotes/bids for emulsion for patch truck - Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Anderson to grant Moilanen permission to request quotes/bids for the emulsion. Carried unanimously.

Permission to solicit quotes/bids for chips for patch truck - Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk to grant Moilanen permission to request quotes/bids for the chips. Carried unanimously.

Permission to solicit bids for a sign truck - Moilanen reported that the Hannahville Indian Community had approved the request for 2% Grant Funds in the amount of \$22,500 to go toward the purchase of truck. Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Anderson to grant Moilanen permission to advertise for the bids. Carried unanimously.

Permission to solicit bids for the following pavement patches – BirchCreek, CR366, River Road at Osborn Lake, Swanson Road, CR551, K-1 Road, Hendrickson Road and Oakwood Road dip east of US 41 – Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk to have Moilanen advertise for the bids. Carried unanimously.

Permission for Engineer/Manager to attend Army Corp. of Engineers meeting June 9 – Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk to grant permission for Moilanen to attend. Carried unanimously.

Update on endangered plants by culvert replacement on CR356 at Rosebush Creek – Moilanen stated that the permit from the DEQ had been received and that no inventory of the Western Mugwort was needed at this time, but the species must be protected if encountered during the project.

Update on County Line Road RFP – Moilanen stated that four proposals had been received and they

will be reviewed with authorities from the Hannahville Indian Community. Moilanen would like to get clarification from Bittner Engineering on items in their proposal prior to awarding the project. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk to accept either the proposal from Bittner Engineering or UP Engineering, depending upon approval from Hannahville Indian Community. Carried unanimously.

Discuss Lauerman tree issue – Moilanen explained that the tree in question was in the right of way of the road. The tree is 80 – 90 ft. tall and should be handled by a professional tree removal company. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk to have Moilanen get quotes to have the tree removed and to award the work to the lowest quote. Carried unanimously.

Act on “No Parking” signs resolution by Fire Station Lane in Ingallston Township –

Commissioner Kakuk moved for the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, the Board of Menominee County Road Commissioners, under authority vested by P.A. 300 of 1949, as amended (Michigan Vehicle Code) is authorized to place and maintain traffic control devices and traffic control signals on any highway under its jurisdiction for the purpose of regulating , warning or guiding traffic; and

WHEREAS, Fire Station Lane is a county road under the jurisdiction of this Board and, in the interest of public safety, it is deemed necessary to place and maintain certain traffic control devices and/or signals on said road to regulate, warn and guide traffic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that parking be prohibited on Fire Station Lane in front of the Ingallston Township Fire Station/Hall from 5 feet south of the entrance sidewalk to a distance 95 feet north of the entrance sidewalk, on both sides of the road.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that “No Parking Between Signs” signs shall be erected to give notice of the regulation hereinafter established; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy hereof be filed with the County Clerk of Menominee, Michigan.

Motion supported by Commissioner Anderson and carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Anderson, Betzinger, and Kakuk.

Nays: None

Discuss resolution of damage to K-1 Road and other county roads – Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk to solicit bids to have the roads repaired and to request that Prosecuting Attorney Dan Hass attempt to recover the costs from the parties responsible for the damage. Carried unanimously.

Discuss attendance at MCRC SIP Annual meeting and name voting delegates – Anderson and Kakuk expressed interest in attending the meeting. Anderson was appointed as the voting delegate for the business meeting and Kakuk was appointed as the alternate voting delegate.

Sign MDOT Form 2044 to request engineering reimbursement – Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk to sign the form. Carried unanimously.

Schedule special meeting to discuss and visit Menominee shop facilities – A special meeting will be held on Monday, June 20, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., for the purpose of visiting the Menominee shop.

Any other business – None

Public comments – Darlene Nerat asked if the geogrid that was placed in No. 10 Road last year would hold up during the trucking of gravel to No. 9 Road, and if not, who would pay to repair it. Moilanen stated it would depend on the number of loads that were hauled and if it did fail the road commission would pay to repair it.

Mark Jasper asked how the meeting for the three way funding ad hoc committee had gone. Moilanen replied that the meeting had gone well and that the committee would be giving a presentation to the county board at their June 14, 2011 meeting.

There being no further business, Betzinger declared the meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.