

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held a regular meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, November 12, 2013.

Chair Kakuk 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 Joe Skrobiak, Gerald Piche, Joe Linder and Larry Barker.

Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public comments – None.

Public appearances – None.

Additions/corrections to minutes for 10/08/13 and 10/23/13 –There being no additions or corrections, Kakuk declared that the minutes will stand as written.

Financial Report –

	Receipts	Expenditures	Payables / Reserves	Balances
Balance, October 7, 2013				\$1,158,243.85
Receipts thru 10/31/13	404,863.71			
Expenditures thru 10/31/13		234,669.25		
Balance, October 31, 2013				1,328,438.31
Michigan Transportation Funds	282,725.07			
Receipts thru 11/11/13				
Expenditures thru 11/11/13		285,199.52		
State Maint. & Equip. Advances			117,398.00	
Balance, November 11, 2013	687,588.78	519,868.77	117,398.00	1,208,565.86
<u>Payables & Reserves</u>				
Payroll 11/21, and 12/05 (Est.)			125,000.00	
Soc. Sec. 11/21 and 12/05 (Est.)			9,562.50	
Reserve for workers compensation insurance			20,846.02	
Reserve for liability insurance			83,820.31	
Reserve for rental grader lease (Dec 2009)			36,798.06	
Reserve for rental grader leases (Oct 2010)			128,018.34	
Reserve for F-4 Lane bridge (Harris Twp)			575.25	
Reserve for Mussel Surveys on bridges			0.00	
Reserve for snowplow cutting edges			54,688.80	
Reserve for design of CR 358 (US41 to K-1 Road)			8,275.00	
Reserve for Forest Funds			161,015.11	
Reserve for dump box repairs/paint on plow trucks			11,053.38	
Reserve for design of Pach Lane bridge			32,000.00	
Reserve for 2013 Federal Aid match			30.96	(671,683.73)
				\$ 536,882.13

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

Vouchers # 14-0003, 14-1031, 14-0005 and 14-0007 – Kakuk inquired about an invoice from Northwest Hydraulics. It was noted that the invoice was for cylinders for inventory. Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Anderson that the vouchers be approved and ordered paid. Carried unanimously.

Act on resolution allowing Chair or Vice-chair to sign agreements for the 2014 Chip seal projects –

Commissioner Anderson moved for the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Menominee County Road Commission to Crack Fill, Chip Seal and install pavement markings on various roads within Menominee County, using STP and/or State D Funding.

AND WHEREAS, it is necessary to complete the forms and contracts for such funds,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chair or Vice-Chair are herewith authorized and empowered to enter into and sign any and all agreements necessary to receive STP and/or State D Funds for the project listed above.

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

Discuss future use of road commission gravel crusher – Moilanen stated that the gravel crusher is a 1963 Universal and that it is currently in need of over \$15,000 in parts. The crusher was used only about 2 weeks so far in 2013, and private contractors can usually crush gravel for less cost than we can run the crusher. Betzinger asked if the crusher loader was being used. Moilanen replied that it was used for construction when not in use with the crusher. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Betzinger to have any useable parts removed from the crusher and to sell the balance for scrap. The loader and stacker will be retained for use with other road commission operations. Carried unanimously.

Any other business – Moilanen stated that the Hannahville Indian Community had awarded the road commission a 2% Grant in the amount of \$18,862.50 to be used toward the 2014 Overband Crack Filling operations. Chair Kakuk signed the agreements to receive the funds.

Moilanen stated that CRAM had sent information regarding annual membership fees for NACE, ARTBA and APWA. It was decided to keep the one NACE membership that CRAM pays for, in Moilanen's name, and to decline membership in ARTBA, and APWA.

Moilanen presented the board with information received from MDOT requesting any comments regarding the implementation of connector trails in the MDOT right of way for ORV use along M35. Betzinger asked if the connectors included the area from CR551 to Cedar River. Moilanen replied that they currently did not, but that was a suggestion that could be given to MDOT. Kakuk noted that they were also looking to extend the ORV trails from County Line Road in Hannahville to Camp O Road in Cedar River.

Gerald Piche wished everyone good luck with hunting.

Public Comment – Joe Linder stated that he had received several requests for grading in Nadeau Township. He also asked if geo-grid was necessary for the grade lift on M-4 Lane. Due to the high cost of the product, the township would prefer that it be left out and just use pit run gravel. Moilanen replied that the grade lift should have something under the gravel for a more stable base, and suggested the use of a less expensive fabric for the approximately 600 feet of the grade lift. Mr. Linder asked why not just put maintenance gravel on the hill and not cut any trees? Moilanen explained that there would not be any ditches. Gerald Piche asked if the road commission could abandon a road that has such minimal use. Moilanen said that could be done, but all landowners would have to be guaranteed access to their property. Mr. Linder asked if the road commission would pay half of the cost of the grade lift. Moilanen stated that they would not be doing any cost sharing at this time. Moilanen and Mr. Linder will meet at the road to decide the best way to proceed with the grade lift.

Joe Skrobiak stated that a good job had been done on State W-2 Road.

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