

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held a regular meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, April 8, 2014.

Chair Anderson 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 Gerald Piche, Chuck Behrend, Larry Barker and David Wesoloski.

Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public comments – None.

Public appearances – None.

Additions/corrections to minutes of 03/11/14, 03/13/14 and 03/31/14 –There being no additions or corrections, Anderson declared that the minutes will stand as written.

Financial Report –

	Receipts	Expenditures	Payables / Reserves	Balances
Balance, March 10, 2014				\$1,565,099.71
Receipts thru 03/31/14	94,977.17			
Expenditures thru 03/31/14		183,469.63		
Balance, March 31, 2014				1,476,607.25
Michigan Transportation Funds	356,039.18			
Receipts thru 04/07/14	229,824.38			
Expenditures thru 04/07/14		93,358.87		
State Maint. & Equip. Advances			128,438.00	
Balance, April 7, 2014	680,840.73	276,828.50	128,438.00	1,840,673.94
<u>Payables & Reserves</u>				
Payroll 04/10, and 04/24 (Est.)			125,000.00	
Soc. Sec. 04/10 and 04/24 (Est.)			9,562.50	
Reserve for workers compensation insurance			14,000.00	
Reserve for liability insurance			143,691.96	
Reserve for rental grader lease (Dec 2009)			18,261.53	
Reserve for rental grader leases (Oct 2010)			128,018.34	
Reserve for design of CR 358 (US41 to K-1 Road)			325.00	
Reserve for Forest Funds			161,015.11	
Reserve RR X'ing closure funds for Nadeau Twp. projects			123,250.00	
Reserve for design of Pach Lane bridge			6,000.00	
Reserve for Hannahville 2% funds-crack filling machine rental			18,862.50	
Reserve for 2013 Federal Aid match			30.96	
Reserve for 2014 Federal Aid Match			53,302.80	
Reserve for Construction Engineering on River Drive project			29,003.71	
Reserve for Capital Outlay - Equipment			18,634.00	
Reserve for Capital Outlay - Boiler replacement			55,000.00	(903,958.41)
				\$ 936,715.53

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

Vouchers # 14-0031, 14-0032, 14-0331, and 14-0034 – Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Betzinger that the vouchers be approved and ordered paid. Carried unanimously.

Open bids for culverts - Bids were opened and read aloud as follows:

UP Concrete Pipe, Escanaba, MI

Total bid \$78,200.00

Jenson Bridge & Supply, Sandusky, MI	No Bid Submitted
St. Regis Culvert, Inc., Charlotte, MI	Total bid \$104,071.50
Contech Construction Products, Kimberly, WI	Total bid \$76,882.00

Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Betzinger to have the bids tabulated and checked for irregularities, with the award to be made at an upcoming meeting. Carried unanimously.

Open bids for emulsion - Bids were opened and read aloud as follows:

Flint Hills Resources LP, St. Paul, MN	\$2.55/gallon
Terry Asphalt Materials, Inc., Alma, MI	\$2.60/gallon

Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Kakuk to award to the low bidder, Flint Hills Resources, LP; pending tabulation of the bids. Carried unanimously.

Act on Resolutions for Local Bridge Program applications –

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

IN AS MUCH AS, funds are available for the replacement or rehabilitation of bridges through the Local Bridge Program;

AND IN AS MUCH AS, the Menominee County Road Commission has a bridge on No. 10 Road over the Little River which is need of replacement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Menominee County Road Commission is actively seeking participation for the replacement of the bridge and an application be prepared for that purpose.

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

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

IN AS MUCH AS, funds are available for the replacement or rehabilitation of bridges through the Local Bridge Program;

AND IN AS MUCH AS, the Menominee County Road Commission has a bridge on No. 29 Road over Devils Creek which is need of replacement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Menominee County Road Commission is actively seeking participation for the replacement of the bridge and an application be prepared for that purpose.

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

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

IN AS MUCH AS, funds are available for the replacement or rehabilitation of bridges through the Local Bridge Program;

AND IN AS MUCH AS, the Menominee County Road Commission has a bridge on No. 5 Road over the Little River which is need of replacement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Menominee County Road Commission is actively seeking participation for the replacement of the bridge and an application be prepared for that purpose.

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

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

IN AS MUCH AS, funds are available for the replacement or rehabilitation of bridges through the Local Bridge Program;

AND IN AS MUCH AS, the Menominee County Road Commission has a bridge on Deer Park Drive over Little River which is need of replacement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Menominee County Road Commission is actively seeking participation for the replacement of the bridge and an application be prepared for that purpose.

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

Discuss request from U.P. Engineers & Architects, Inc. for additional payment for the CR358 project design – Moilanen explained that since the original RFP had been awarded, the MDOT had changed the requirements for using Federal Aid and those changes have resulted in the design of the project to be broken down into two phases for the purpose of getting the funds allocated, and then combined back into one project for the bid process, which resulted in additional work for the engineering design. Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Kakuk to allow an additional payment of \$2,500 be made to U.P Engineers & Architects for additional services performed. Carried unanimously.

Any other business – Moilanen advised the board that a market study had been performed for the Pach Lane Bridge easements. The last time such a study had been done was in 2008 and it had been determined at that time that the fee paid for easements would be \$1,500 per acre, with a \$250 minimum. The new market study showed the fair price to be \$832 - \$1,500 per acre. Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Kakuk to continue with the current fee schedule of \$1,500 per acre, with a \$250 minimum. Carried unanimously.

Moilanen stated that an invoice had been received for \$6,395.00 for the annual CRAM Membership Service Fee for the period from April 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk to pay the invoice and continue membership in CRAM. Carried unanimously.

Moilanen advised the board that a Small Urban meeting had been held and that Ken Goffin, Menominee Township Supervisor, had asked that No. 2 Road, from the city limit to CR 577 be added to the list of priorities.

Betzinger asked how the rented steamers were working out. Moilanen replied that they had been running them steady with good results, but that a steel reinforced hose had to be purchased as the regular hoses did not hold up on bent or broken culverts with jagged edges. It was also noted that the old Menominee and Stephenson steamers had been scrapped.

Gerald Piche asked if the road commission would steam culverts on private property. Moilanen stated that they did not, but could refer individuals to the vendor that provides the rented steamers.

Mr. Piche also thanked the road commission for supporting the 3-Way Road Funding program.

Public Comments – David Wesoloski asked if the Small Urban grant application was between the city and the road commission. Moilanen responded that both were involved and that the maximum grant amount is \$375,000.

Larry Barker asked when the Bay de Noc Road project would be started. Moilanen replied that it would be as soon as possible following weight restrictions being lifted. It was noted that Menominee Township wanted a 2 inch surface and that they may use cold mix instead of hot mix asphalt. Betzinger asked if there were more trees that needed to be cut. Moilanen stated that there were more on the southern of the project to be cut and also some culverts to be replaced.

Closed session to discuss Teamsters Local 406 wage reopener proposal – Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Kakuk to move to closed session at 9:37 a.m. Carried unanimously.

Gerald Piche, Chuck Behrend, Larry Barker and David Wesoloski left the meeting at this time.

Moved by Betzinger, seconded by Kakuk to return to open session at 9:58 a.m.

Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Betzinger to decline the Teamsters Local 406 proposal as submitted and to authorize Moilanen to continue with negotiations. Carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Anderson declared the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.