

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held a regular meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, November 10, 2015.

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

Present: William Anderson, Anthony Kakuk, Joseph Skrobiak, Darrell Moilanen and Lisa Savord. Also present were Bernard Carey, Jr., Jerry Piche, Joe Linder, Chuck Behrend, Larry Barker, Ken Goffin and Darlene Nerat.

Absent: None

Public comments – Ken Goffin asked for clarification on the possible use of Menominee Township gravel for road construction projects. Moilanen stated that the road commission would like to use the Menominee Township gravel for shouldering for federal aid projects near the area of the pit. The road commission would replace it once additional gravel was crushed on the south end of the county. Mr. Goffin asked if there would still be enough of the township’s gravel left for the projects they had planned within the township. Moilanen stated that he was working on project estimates for Bay de Noc Road and O-1 Road and would then know how much gravel would be needed for these projects. Moilanen also noted that the priorities for next construction season would be to complete the remaining 3-Way Road funding projects, do the shouldering for the federal aid chip seal projects, and then if time permits the road commission would move on to township projects. Mr. Goffin stated that their next township board meeting is scheduled for November 18th and asked if Moilanen would provide a written statement to the township board that any township gravel used by the road commission would be replaced. Mr. Goffin also requested that the road commission consider cost sharing on construction projects within the township. Mr. Goffin left the meeting at 9:09 a.m.

Public appearances – None.

Additions/corrections to minutes for 10/13/15 and 10/19/15–There being no additions or corrections, Kakuk declared that the minutes will stand as written.

Financial Report –

	Receipts	Expenditures	Payables / Reserves	Balances
Balance, October 12, 2015				\$1,954,318.18
Receipts thru 10/31/15	212,888.18			
Expenditures thru 10/31/15		177,166.75		
Balance, October 31, 2015				\$1,990,039.61
Michigan Transportation Funds	304,619.57			
Receipts thru 11/09/15	139,634.88			
Expenditures thru 11/09/15		448,502.64		
State Maint. & Equip. Advances			112,998.00	
Balance, November 09, 2015	657,142.63	625,669.39	112,998.00	1,872,793.42
<u>Payables & Reserves</u>				
Payroll 11/19, and 12/03 (Est.)			135,000.00	
Soc. Sec. 11/19 and 12/03 (Est.)			10,327.50	
Reserve for workers compensation insurance			29,370.00	
Reserve for liability insurance			83,435.31	
Reserve for rental grader leases (Oct 2010)			0.00	
Reserve for rental grader leases - John Deere (Oct 2015)			152,668.00	
Reserve for Forest Funds			161,014.64	
Reserve RR X'ing closure funds for Nadeau Twp. projects			34,602.30	
Reserve for 2014 Federal Aid Match			1,418.92	
Reserve for 2015 Federal Aid Match			18,759.77	
Reserve for 2016 Federal Aid Match			279,000.00	
Reserve for Construction Engineering on CR358			8,421.10	
Reserve for Construction Engineering on River Drive project			366.50	
Reserve for Density Testing on No 25 Road & Eustis Road paving jobs			4,750.00	
Reserve for Design Engineering for No. 5 Road & No. 10 Road bridges			42,343.20	
Reserve for DEQ Permit Engineering - Various locations			12,600.00	
Reserve for Hannahville 2% funds- crack filling machine			30,000.00	
Reserve for Capital Outlay - crack filling machine			21,478.98	
Reserve for Capital Outlay - 3 crew cab pickups			118,956.60	
Reserve for Capital Outlay-Equipment (OH on 517-518 Eq. Charges)			19,136.87	(1,163,649.69)
				\$ 709,143.73

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

Vouchers # 16-0004, 16-0006, 16-1031 and 16-0008 – Moved by Skrobiak, seconded by Anderson that the vouchers be approved and ordered paid. Carried unanimously.

Open bids for Cutting Edges for Moldboard Assemblies – Bids were opened and read aloud as follows:

H&L Mesabi, Negaunee, MI	6' Steel	\$ 81.00 each
	7' Steel	\$ 93.00 each
	4' Carbide	\$325.00 each
Total bid: \$28,425.00		
DA MacPherson, Crystal Falls, MI	6' Steel	\$ 85.52 each
	7' Steel	\$ 87.77 each
	4' Carbide	\$196.69 each (Blades are 5", not 8")
Total bid: \$27,651.21		
Nortrax Equipment, Escanaba, MI	6' Steel	\$ 91.03 each
	7' Steel	\$106.14 each
	4' Carbide	\$312.05 each
Total bid: \$31,628.45		
Fabick Cat, Marquette, MI	6' Steel	\$104.87 each
	7' Steel	\$121.00 each
	4' Carbide	\$272.43 each
Total bid: \$35,525.87		
Winter Equipment, Willoughby, OH	6' Steel	\$ 93.05 each
	7' Steel	\$108.57 each
	4' Carbide	\$248.00 each
Total bid: \$31,699.00		

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Skrobiak to have the bids tabulated and to award at the next meeting. Carried unanimously.

Discuss specifications for Engineer/Manager vehicle – Moilanen asked if the board would like the vehicle to be bid with just the standard features or if they would like him to add the optional safety package to the bid specifications. Kakuk stated that he felt it was important to add the safety package. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Skrobiak to have Moilanen add the optional safety features to the bid specifications. Carried unanimously.

Any other business – Moilanen advised the board that the Hannahville Indian Community had awarded the road commission a 2% Grant in the amount of \$25,000 to be used toward the purchase of the Powers District Foreman's pickup. Kakuk signed the necessary forms to accept the grant.

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Skrobiak to have Moilanen send letters to State Senator Tom Casperson and State Representative Ed McBroom thanking them for voting in favor of the road funding bills. Carried unanimously.

Due to a scheduling conflict with a CRA of Michigan training session, it was moved by Kakuk, seconded by Skrobiak to move the December 8, 2015 regular monthly meeting to Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Carried unanimously.

A special meeting was scheduled for Monday, November 23, 2015 at 11 a.m. to open the bids for the Engineer/Manager vehicle, to award the bid for the cutting edges and any other business that may come before the board.

Skrobiak stated that a good job had been done with the construction on No. 25 Road.

Public Comment – Joe Linder asked what the purpose of the meeting being held at the road commission office on November 11th was. Moilanen explained that it was a local task force meeting and that federal aid funding would be discussed. Mr. Linder asked why CUPPAD was involved. Moilanen stated that MDOT had hired the regional planning agencies to oversee the meetings.

Mr. Linder asked if a grader could be sent out to J-1 Road to cut a small trench in the hill by Hoduski's to divert the water away from his home. Moilanen will have the foreman take a look at it.

Jerry Piche asked which townships still had 3-Way projects to be completed. Moilanen replied that Meyer, Cedarville and Nadeau Township's projects would be carried over into the next construction season.

Larry Barker asked what the Hannahville 2% grant was for. Moilanen stated it would go toward the purchase of a pickup truck for the Powers District foreman.

There being no further business, Kakuk declared the meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

Road Commission Finance Director / Clerk

Chair