

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held a regular meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, January 12, 2016.

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 John and Darlene Nerat, Chuck Behrend, Jerry Piche, Gerald Newlin, Larry Barker and David Wesoloski.

Absent: None

Public comments – None.

Public appearances – None.

Additions/corrections to minutes for 12/15/15 and 01/04/16–There being no additions or corrections, Kakuk declared that the minutes will stand as written.

Financial Report –

	Receipts	Expenditures	Payables / Reserves	Balances
Balance, December 14, 2015				\$2,135,930.36
Receipts thru 12/31/15	107,625.13			
Expenditures thru 12/31/15		357,723.76		
Balance, December 31, 2015				\$1,885,831.73
Michigan Transportation Funds	280,140.81			
Receipts thru 01/11/16	55,921.15			
Expenditures thru 01/11/16		219,899.36		
State Maint. & Equip. Advances			112,998.00	
Balance, January 11, 2016	443,687.09	577,623.12	112,998.00	1,888,996.33
<u>Payables & Reserves</u>				
Payroll 01/14, and 01/28 (Est.)			150,000.00	
Soc. Sec. 01/14 and 01/28 (Est.)			11,475.00	
Reserve for workers compensation insurance			19,580.00	
Reserve for liability insurance			107,273.97	
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			1,230.00	
Reserve for 2015 Federal Aid Match			7,864.91	
Reserve for 2016 Federal Aid Match			295,000.00	
Reserve for Construction Engineering on CR358			5,654.37	
Reserve for Construction Engineering on River Drive project			117.50	
Reserve for Density Testing on No 25 Road & Eustis Road paving jobs			897.75	
Reserve for Design Engineering for No. 5 Road & No. 10 Road bridges			32,712.94	
Reserve for DEQ Permit Engineering - Various locations			8,714.84	
Reserve for Hannahville 2% funds- crack filling machine			0.00	
Reserve for Capital Outlay - crack filling machine			0.00	
Reserve for Capital Outlay - 3 crew cab pickups			0.00	
Reserve for Capital Outlay - Eng-Mgr Vehicle			0.00	
Reserve for Capital Outlay-Equipment (OH on 517-518 Eq. Charges)			19,136.87	(1,007,943.09)
				\$ 881,053.24

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

Vouchers # 16-0014, 16-1231, 16-0017 and 16-0019 – Skrobiak asked for clarification on a payment made to Class C Solutions. Moilanen explained that this company, formerly Curtiss then Barnes, restocks all the fastener bins in the shop. Kakuk asked what the materials from Miller Products had been purchased for. Moilanen replied that is was for the J-1 Road project. Moved by Skrobiak, seconded by Anderson that the vouchers be approved and ordered paid. Carried unanimously.

Permission to hire labor attorney for upcoming union negotiations – Moilanen informed the board that Teamsters Local 406 had sent a request to open negotiations for the collective bargaining agreement. The current agreement expires on March 31, 2016. Moved by Anderson, seconded by

Skrobiak to hire Attorney Tom Derderian to handle the negotiations.

Discuss memberships in APWA, ARTBA & NACE through CRA – Moilanen explained that a notice had been received from CRA of Michigan asking if the road commission wanted to pay for memberships in each of the organizations. One membership to NACE is included with the CRA of Michigan dues. Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Skrobiak to have Moilanen receive the membership in NACE and to not pay for any additional memberships in APWA or ARTBA. Carried unanimously.

Discuss and vote on amendments to CRA's Constitution and Bylaws – Amendment #1 would create a new Legal Assistance Committee to address requests for legal support by county road agencies or other entities. Amendment # 2 would change the name of the Association of Southern Michigan County Road Commissions to the Association of Southern Michigan County Road Agencies. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Skrobiak to vote yes on both amendments. Carried unanimously.

Permission to bid crushed gravel – Moilanen stated that he would like to go to bid for crushed gravel now, in the hope that the approved bidder would be able to move their equipment in to the pit prior to spring breakup and then be able to crush during breakup. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Skrobiak to grant permission. Carried unanimously.

Any other business – Moilanen stated that he had received an email from the Hannahville Indian Community stating that they are planning to reconstruct and pave County Line Road. The project would likely be done in two phases, with phase one being from No. 38 Road to the area by the off road races and phase two being the balance of the road to US2. They would like to know if the road commission is willing to contribute to the projects. Anderson asked if Delta County Road Commission would be participating in the cost since this was a bordering road. Moilanen replied that they would not, as the road was within our jurisdiction and we receive the funds to maintain it. Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Skrobiak to provide a 20% cost share for the phase one portion of the project. Carried unanimously.

Skrobiak stated that he had received complaints that there wasn't enough sand on G-18 and CR577 after the last storm. Moilanen replied that the crews were still working on the cleanup today.

Anderson advised he had received a call stating that the employee that lives on Snuff Box Road had sanded by his driveway but not anywhere else on that road. Moilanen stated that the employee that lives there does not work out of the Powers shop so he would not be the one maintaining that road. Moilanen will talk to the Powers foreman to find out what had occurred.

Kakuk stated that he had also received complaints on G-18 needing more sand. He had also received a call from a resident that the street light at the end of 13 Road has been out for a long time. He referred the caller to the Mellen Township Supervisor as the township is responsible for the light.

Jerry Piche advised that he had received a complaint of excessive agricultural traffic on Frenchtown Road. The resident would like to see the road designated as residential traffic only. Moilanen replied that it is a public road and therefore open to all types of traffic as long as they are within the legal weight & size limits. Kakuk asked if the road was our jurisdiction or within the Village of Daggett. Moilanen responded that the portion up to the bus garage was within the village.

Public Comment – Gerald Newlin stated that he was surprised to receive a bill for \$779 from the road commission for the installation of the Mellen Township Park signs and asked why the cost was so high. Moilanen will check on this and send him a response.

David Wesoloski asked if the road commission would be borrowing Menominee Township gravel for the shouldering on the upcoming federal aid chip seal projects. Moilanen stated that he would know more once the bids for the projects were opened and would let the township know at that time. Mr. Wesoloski also asked if Moilanen could provide cost estimates for the township's projects prior to their January board meeting. Moilanen agreed to send them prior to the meeting.

Larry Barker asked for an update on the River Drive project. Moilanen stated that a letter had been sent to the contractor requesting a credit back on the project and that he was waiting for a response from them.

There being no further business, Kakuk declared the meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.