

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held a regular meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, December 12, 2017.

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

Present: William Anderson, Anthony Kakuk, Kenneth Kline, Darrell Moilanen and Lisa Savord. Also present were Joe Linder, Larry Barker and Chuck Behrend.

Absent: None

Public comments – None.

Public appearances – None.

Additions/corrections to minutes for 11/14/17 – There being no additions or corrections, Anderson declared the minutes will stand as written.

Financial Report –

	Receipts	Expenditures	Payables / Reserves	Balances
Balance, November 9, 2017				\$3,605,136.94
Receipts thru 11/30/17	42,585.97			
Expenditures thru 11/30/17		265,107.65		
Balance, November 30, 2017				\$3,382,615.26
Michigan Transportation Funds	380,153.20			
Receipts thru 12/11/17	27,415.28			
Expenditures thru 12/11/17		103,204.96		
Set aside for purchase of graders in 2020			300,000.00	
State Maint. & Equip. Advances			118,574.00	
Balance, December 8, 2017	450,154.45	368,312.61	418,574.00	3,268,404.78
<u>Payables & Reserves</u>				
Payroll 12/14, and 12/28 (Est.)			140,000.00	
Soc. Sec. 12/14 and 12/28 (Est.)			10,710.00	
Reserve for workers compensation insurance			8,364.31	
Reserve for liability insurance			86,837.36	
Reserve for rental grader leases - John Deere (Oct 2015)			76,334.00	
Reserve for rental grader leases - Cat Financial (Dec 2015)			345,253.64	
Reserve for Forest Funds			193,630.35	
Reserve for 2018 3-Way Road Funding Program			200,000.00	
Reserve for 2016 Federal Aid Match			0.00	
Reserve for Federal Aid Match for No. 5 Rd. Bridge			1,918.33	
Reserve for Federal Aid Match for No. 10 Ln. Bridge			15,928.66	
Reserve for Construction Engineering for No. 5 Rd. & No. 10 Ln. Bridges			8,406.14	
Reserve for Design Engineering for CR 360			0.00	
Reserve for Design Engineering for C-1 Road Bridge			28,761.34	
Reserve for Scour Protection bid documents & oversight			1,512.96	
Reserve for Crushing & Stockpiling 15,000 tons 23A Limestone			13,193.87	
Reserve for Crushing & Stockpiling 18,000 tons of 22A Gravel			62,460.00	
Reserve for Design Engineering for CR 400			23,330.00	
Reserve for Bridge scour protection			476,765.00	
Reserve for Shakey Lakes Culvert Repair			497,000.00	
Reserve for Fuel Station Equipment upgrade			39,935.00	
Reserve for Hannahville 2% funds - Pickup truck			20,000.00	
Reserve for Pickup truck - MCRC share			14,520.00	
Reserve for Capital Outlay-Equipment (3 plow trucks)			322,203.00	(2,587,063.96)
				\$ 681,340.82

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

Vouchers # 18-0008, 18-1130, and 18-0010 – Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Kline that the vouchers be approved and ordered paid. Carried unanimously.

Discuss/approve 2018 Regular Meetings schedule – Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Kline to approve the following schedule with dates and times subject to change if deemed necessary. Carried

unanimously.

Wednesday, January 3, 2018	9:00 a.m. (Reorganizational Meeting)
Tuesday, January 9, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, February 6, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, March 6, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, April 3, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, May 8, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, June 12, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, July 10, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, August 14, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, September 4, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, October 9, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, November 13, 2018	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, December 11, 2018	9:00 a.m.

Permission to hire consultants for 2018 construction work activities – Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Kline to grant Moilanen permission to hire consulting services as needed for design, inspection, etc., for the 2018 construction season. Carried unanimously.

Discuss CR551 soil borings and All Season design – Moilanen advised that the BIA is designing CR551 and has asked if the road commission would provide the soil borings and pavement design at our cost to determine if they want to do a standard design or go with an All Season road design. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Kakuk to provide the requested soil borings and pavement design. Carried unanimously.

Update on Wetlands Mitigation purchase from Delta County Road Commission – Moilanen noted that .37 acre of wetlands mitigation was needed for the CR360 project and that Delta County Road Commission would be discussing a sale price for their banked wetlands at their December board meeting. The high end cost would be \$82,500/acre (recent transaction between Emmet County and Baraga County), but it would likely be lower than that. Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Kline to purchase the .37 acre needed for the CR360 project from Delta County Road Commission once the price was determined. Carried unanimously.

Any other business – Moilanen stated that Spalding Township would like to change their annual meeting with us to Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at the new Spalding Township Hall. The road commission agrees with this change.

Kakuk stated regarding the letter from Holmes Township, that Snow Road is in bad condition in some areas, but is not too bad in other spots. Moilanen agreed that the length of road from Zemba Lane to about 1 mile east of CR577 was in the worst condition.

Public Comment – Joe Linder asked why the wetlands couldn't be built on state lands. Moilanen replied that we used to be able to do that, but the state changed their rules regarding the use of their land. It has to be the highest and best use of the land, and wetlands mitigation is not considered the highest/best use. Moilanen also noted that there is a new grant program starting that will allocate up to \$2 million per year for wetlands mitigation site construction, but that he hasn't seen the criteria for the program yet. Kakuk added that the DNR was selling some of its land in Menominee County, with bids being due in January.

Kline asked if private land could be used for wetlands mitigation. Moilanen stated that it could, but most landowners will not agree to it because a conservation easement has to be allowed.

Larry Barker asked if the road commission would be taking the wood that was cut in the ROW of O-1 Drive. Moilanen said that the wood belonged to the property owners adjacent to the ROW.

Chuck Behrend noted that in regards to the ROW, the railroad only has an easement as well.

There being no further business, Anderson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:31 a.m.