

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held a regular meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

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

Present: Kenneth Bower, Anthony Kakuk, Kenneth Kline, Darrell Moilanen and Lisa Savord. Also present were Mary Ann Theoret, Mike Theoret, Lyle Gearhart, Charlene Peterson, Jack Vest, Jeff Nason, Eugene Pepin, Mike Foley, Larry Barker, Chuck Behrend, Joe Linder, Gail Nelson and Dana Dziedzic.

Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public comments – Mary Ann Theoret asked who she should call when there are problems with her road, North Gaber Road. Moilanen advised that she call the road commission office. She stated that the post office is having a hard time delivering their mail because the road needs gravel. Ms. Theoret also noted that the trees are becoming overgrown and are causing blind spots when pulling out of side roads and asked if the trees could be trimmed. Moilanen showed a video he had taken of N. Gaber Road earlier in the spring, during weight restrictions and pointed out areas where the trees probably needed to be cut. This could possibly be done next winter once the ground is frozen.

Jeff Nason stated that Pach Lane was recently graded, but still had areas of washboard and asked if gravel could be put down. Moilanen advised him to call Pete Kleiman, Harris Twp. Supervisor, to request the gravel & dust control.

Gail Nelson advised that she lives on Dump Road #44 and that there was hardly any gravel left on the road. There is a low spot approximately 300 feet in off of Eustis Road and the dust is quite bad on the road. She stated there are only year-round residents on the north end of the road, so dust control would not be needed on the south end. Moilanen advised her to call her township supervisor to be put on the list for dust control. She also noted that it sometimes takes 2 days to get plowed out in the winter and asked if it could be done sooner, in case there was a need for emergency services. Moilanen advised that if there was a need for emergency services before the road was plowed, that 911 would inform the road commission and they would plow the way in for emergency vehicles. Ms. Nelson also noted that one of the street name signs was missing, which made it difficult for people to find the road.

Eugene Pepin stated that Ten Mile Creek floods on S. Gaber Road on the west side in the spring and he feels it needs to be ditched for about 400-500 feet.

Public appearances – None.

Additions/corrections to minutes for 05/14/19 and 05/23/19 – There being no additions or corrections, moved by Kline, seconded by Bower that the minutes will stand as written. Carried unanimously.

Financial Report –

	Receipts	Expenditures	Payables / Reserves	Balances
Balance, May 13, 2019				\$4,239,857.78
Receipts thru 05/31/19	95,979.96			
Expenditures thru 05/31/19		699,960.44		
Balance, May 31, 2019				\$3,635,877.30
Michigan Transportation Funds	430,077.12			
Receipts thru 06/10/19	233,337.52			
Expenditures thru 06/10/19		18,354.40		
Set aside for purchase of graders in 2020			800,000.00	
State Maint. & Equip. Advances			146,143.00	
Balance, June 10, 2019	759,394.60	718,314.84	946,143.00	3,334,794.54
<u>Payables & Reserves</u>				
Payroll 06/13 and 06/27 (Est.)			175,000.00	
Soc. Sec. 06/13 and 06/27 (Est.)			13,387.50	

Reserve for workers compensation insurance		8,576.36	
Reserve for liability insurance		20,926.50	
Reserve for rental grader leases - John Deere (Oct 2015)		38,167.00	
Reserve for rental grader leases - Cat Financial (Dec 2015)		172,626.82	
Reserve for Forest Funds		161,011.03	
Reserve RR X'ing closure funds for Meyer Twp. projects		199,788.35	
Reserve for Federal Aid Match for No. 5 Rd. Bridge		723.07	
Reserve for Federal Aid Match for No. 10 Ln. Bridge		110.31	
Reserve for Federal Aid Match for CR360 project		12,000.00	
Reserve for Construction Engineering for CR360		2,656.63	
Reserve for Scour Protection bid documents & oversight		1,512.96	
Reserve for Bridge scour protection		22,986.50	
Reserve for Design Engineering for CR348		3,680.00	
Reserve for Construction Engineering for C-1 Bridge		62,464.50	
Reserve for Construction Engineering for CR400		51,389.38	
Reserve for 2019 Bridge Inspections		14,200.00	
Reserve for crushing 37,500 tons of 22A gravel		0.00	
Reserve for crushing 36,000 tons of 22A gravel		122,940.00	
Reserve for 2019 Culverts		54,039.00	
Reserve for County Wide Chip Sealing		240,652.55	
Reserve for Concrete Floor - Stephenson Cold Storage		24,150.00	
Reserve for 800 MHz Radios & Programing		0.00	
Reserve for 3 Heavy Duty Tandem Dump Trucks		730,704.00	(2,133,692.46)
			\$ 1,201,102.08

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

Vouchers # 19-0038, 19-0040, 19-0531 and 19-0041 – Moved by Bower, seconded by Kline that the vouchers be approved and ordered paid. Carried unanimously.

Discuss Village of Daggett request for chip sealing – Moilanen advised that the Village of Daggett would like to have the portion of CR358 within the village limits chip sealed and they currently have approximately \$53,000 to put toward the project. The cost for Fahrner to do the chip seal is \$50,683.35 and the cost for the road commission to crack fill the road prior to the chip sealing is \$5,174, for a total cost of \$55,857.35. Moilanen suggested that the village pay Fahrner in full and then allow them to make payments to the road commission for the crack filling. Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Kline to allow the Village of Daggett to pay the cost of the crack filling by making monthly payments for a period not to exceed one year from the completion of the work. Carried unanimously.

Discuss/award Labelle Road paving project bid – Moilanen advised that Bacco had the low bid on the project of \$402,734.90 and that payment had been received from two private individuals totaling \$203,228.00. Spalding Township Supervisor Jim Moraska had sent an email confirming that Spalding Township would contribute \$100,000 toward the project. The balance of \$99,506.90 and any overages on the project would be paid by the road commission using the remaining balance of the PA82 funds of \$84,809.10 and the remainder coming from MTF funds. Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Bower to sign the contract with Bacco Construction Company based on the above payment terms. Carried unanimously.

Discuss compensation for beaver trapping – Moilanen explained that the road commission currently pays \$30 per beaver trapped and that it was becoming difficult to get trappers to set their traps for that amount. Moved by Kline, seconded by Kakuk to increase the payment amount to \$50 per beaver trapped. Carried unanimously.

Discuss/approve request for engineering reimbursement from MDOT – Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Kline to sign the request form. Carried unanimously.

Discuss/vote on ballots for MCRC SIP 2019 Board of Directors election – Moilanen recommended voting for the incumbent candidates, stating that the liability insurance pool board has done a great job keeping costs down the past several years. Moved by Kakuk, seconded by Bower to vote for candidates Stanek & Valenti for the UP positions and candidate Pohl for the At-Large position. Carried unanimously.

Any other business – Moilanen advised that a quote of \$5,500 had been received from White Water Associates, Inc. to conduct the mussel survey on CR348 at the Big Brook and that a letter of

acceptance would be sent to them so that the work could begin soon.

Moilanen noted that the contractor had started mowing on the county system this week on the south end of the county, and that mowing on the state trunkline had been approved and would be started in the next week or so.

Public Comment – Mary Ann Theoret stated that the mowing was sometimes missed on Gaber Road. Moilanen advised her to call the office right away if this happened so that the contractor could go back and get the mowing done.

Joe Linder asked when the road commission would start hauling Nadeau Township's crushed limestone from the Labelle Road pit. Moilanen responded that it would be in the next week or two. Mr. Linder stated that Nadeau Township had found a contractor that would remove asphalt from the streets in Nadeau cheaper than what the road commission had estimated the cost to be. Moilanen advised that the township could go with their own contractor as long as they did the necessary saw cuts and removed the corduroy from 4th Street. The contractor would also need a permit from the road commission, list the road commission as an additional insured on their insurance and properly post road closures as needed during the work. Moilanen will put the requirements in writing so Mr. Linder can verify with the contractor that they can meet them. Mr. Linder asked that the road commission put down the limestone at the same time that the contractor completes pavement removal from the streets. Moilanen advised that the streets may need to be shaped by the grader prior to the limestone being put down. Supervisor Linder asked that the limestone get put down through the 3-Way Road Funding program, with anything over that amount then falling into the road commission policy of free trucking when the township pays the cost of the gravel/limestone.

Mr. Linder asked what was going to be done with the bad spot on G-18 and noted that the barrels were now in the ditch. Moilanen replied that a double chip seal may be a good short-term fix and that in the long term the area would need a grade lift.

Charlene Peterson asked when dust control could be applied in Lake Township. Moilanen advised her to call the Stephenson District foreman to get on the list. Ms. Peterson also asked what would be done with the guard rail on G-12 that was damaged by an accident. Moilanen responded that the road commission would have it repaired and then bill the costs to the driver's auto insurance.

Lyle Gearhart noted that the new culverts on Gustafson Road didn't seem to be getting the water and that there are still some old pipes there that need to be picked up.

Joe Linder asked if fabric would be needed on the streets and roads that are having limestone placed. Moilanen stated it would possibly be needed on part of 4th Street and No. 34 Road.

Eugene Pepin added that if ditching was done on S. Gaber, the dirt that was removed could be dumped on the Madalinski property instead of having it hauled away.

Joe Linder asked that once the gravel was crushed in the pit east of Carney, could Nadeau Township pay for some of the gravel in advance to be used on township roads.

There being no further business Kakuk declared the meeting adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

Road Commission Finance Director / Clerk

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