

The Menominee County Board of Road Commissioners held an organizational meeting in their offices north of Stephenson on Monday, January 05, 2009.

Clerk Savord called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with the following persons present or absent.

PRESENT: William Anderson, Roger Betzinger, Darrell Moilanen, and Lisa Savord. Charles Behrend joined the meeting at 8:36 a.m.

ABSENT: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Election of Officers for 2009 – At Savord’s call for Chair nominations, Betzinger nominated Anderson for Chair. Seconded by Anderson. Savord again called for nominations for Chair. There were none. Savord again called for nominations for Chair. There being none, the nominations were closed. Savord called for a vote on the motion of Anderson being Chair for 2009. The motion carried by the following vote: Betzinger, Aye; Anderson, Aye.

Savord called for nominations for Vice-Chair. Anderson nominated Betzinger for Vice-Chair. Seconded by Betzinger. Savord again called for nominations for Vice-Chair. There were none. Savord again called for nominations for Vice-Chair. There being none, the nominations were closed. Savord called for a vote on the motion of Betzinger being Vice-Chair for 2009. The motion carried by the following vote: Anderson, Aye; Betzinger, Aye.

Savord turned the meeting over to Chair Anderson at 8:32 a.m.

Additions to agenda - None.

Public comments - None.

Public appearances – None.

Set the Date & Time for the January Regular Meeting – Betzinger made a motion that the meetings for the winter months (October, November, December, January, February and March) be held at 9:00 a.m., and that the meetings for the summer months (April, May, June, July, August and September) be held at 6:30 p.m. Seconded by Anderson. Carried unanimously.

Moilanen then read the 2009 meeting schedule as follows: January 13, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m.; February 10, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m.; March 10, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m.; April 14, 2009 @ 6:30 p.m.; May 12, 2009 @ 6:30 p.m.; June 9, 2009 @ 6:30 p.m.; July 14, 2009 @ 6:30 p.m.; August 11, 2009 @ 6:30 p.m.; September 15, 2009 @ 6:30 p.m.; October 13, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m.; November 10, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m.; and December 15, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m.

Other Business – Betzinger inquired when the annual township meetings would be held. Moilanen stated that they were tentatively scheduled for the last week of January. Various funding options for the townships were discussed (4% Funds, \$10,000 bridge charge, etc). Moilanen suggested that a special meeting be held prior to the township meetings to review the road commission’s finances. He also suggested that we wait until the Federal Stimulus package is enacted to see what funding may be available for infrastructure before any decisions are made.

Betzinger asked if Moilanen had any further information regarding offering employee buyouts. Moilanen stated that he would consult with the attorney on this subject and report at the January 13 meeting.

A motion was made by Betzinger, seconded by Anderson to hire Michael Kluck & Associates as legal counsel for the upcoming union negotiations. Carried unanimously. Moilanen will contact Kluck regarding this.

A discussion was held regarding the workers comp return to work rules. This was tabled until the January 13 meeting.

Public comments - None.

There being no further business, Anderson declared the meeting adjourned. 8:54 a.m.