

CLARE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Clare County, Michigan, hereinafter referred to as the Board, held at its office at 3900 East Mannsiding Road, Harrison, Michigan on January 19, 2011.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Michael Duggan with Commissioners Richard Haynak and Eddy Garver in attendance. Staff present was Ron Bushong, Manager; John Krchmar, Road Foreman; and Kimberly Kimmel, Finance Director.

Pledge of Allegiance

Guest present were Richard Wells, Freeman Township Trustee and Mike Trzcienski, Redding Township Supervisor.

The minutes of the January 5, 2011 regular Board meeting were read and approved.

The fund balance report was presented and discussed. On a motion by Commissioner Haynak, seconded by Commissioner Duggan and carried unanimously, it was moved to approve for payment payroll ending 01/09/2011 (checks 48050-48077), check for FICA, and AP checks 62797 thru 62848 totaling \$156,473.68.

Redding Township thanked the Board and the road commission for opening up their roads quickly during the last storm.

Manager Ron Bushong discussed the Safe Routes to School grant. It was the consensus of the Board to provide in-kind participation only. On a motion by Commissioner Duggan, seconded by Commissioner Garver and carried unanimously it was moved to allow the project to be let thru MDOT Local Agency, provided the road commission participates with in-kind services only, with no out of pocket expenses to the road commission.

Manager Bushong met with the City of Clare on January 7, 2011 to discuss the Schaefer/Holbrook Subdivision. In the past we have had an informal agreement for winter maintenance. Ken Hibel, Clare City Manager, is having their attorney draw up an intergovernmental agreement with the Clare County Road Commission for trading services between agencies.

The 2011 Cash Budget was discussed. On a motion by Commissioner by Commissioner Duggan, seconded by Commissioner Haynak and carried unanimously it was moved to approve the 2011 cash budget. A copy may be found immediately following the minutes.

On a motion by Commissioner Duggan, seconded by Commissioner Haynak and carried unanimously it was moved to take bids for two motor graders at the regular board meeting held February 16, 2011.

A public hearing will be held on February 16, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. to hear public comment on federal/state funding for rural major collector improvements and transit facilities.

On January 26, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. there will be a meeting with Trooper Clinton Keene, (Michigan State Police) and Jack Kleinhardt, Traffic Safety Supervisor, to discuss speed limits. Commissioner Eddy Garver will be attending also.

Manager Ron Bushong informed the Board that by 2015 all regulatory signs must be changed to the new retro reflectivity sign requirements.

After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to only replace Farm Implement/Deer Crossing/Amish Buggy signs according to the sign manual.

Permit 04-11 for AT & T to work in the road right-of-way of Clare County roads was examined and signed by all members of the Board.

Manager Ron Bushong gave an update on the South Road (Silver Ridge) and Village of Farwell issue.

Updating the road commission work rules was discussed.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Kathy Duynslager, Board Secretary

Michael S. Duggan, Chair