

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 February 5, 2014.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Richard Haynak.

Commissioners present: Eddy Garver and Michael Duggan.

Commissioners absent: None.

Staff present: Ronald Bushong, Manager; Kimberly Kimmel, Finance Director/Board Secretary; John Krchmar, Road Maintenance Supervisor; Dave Sunday, Road Maintenance Foreman; Steve Graves, Shop Foreman; Suzette Michalski, Administrative Asst/Payroll Clerk; Al Leonard, Engineer-Tech and Jeff Lloyd, Stock Clerk.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest present: Jay Zuchnik, MDOT; Merle Harmon, Lincoln Sanitation; Norm Snyder and Steve Hensel, Beckman Production; Richard Wells, Freeman Township Trustee and David Cooper, Hamilton Township Supervisor.

The minutes of the January 22, 2014 regular Board meeting were read and approved as read.

The fund balance report was presented, discussed and invoices were reviewed. On a motion by Commissioner Duggan, seconded by Commissioner Garver and approved unanimously, it was moved to approve payments for: payroll ending 02/02/14 (#50404-50427), FICA, HRA, MERS, AP checks (#66230-66271) totaling \$202,151.92.

Merle Harmon, Lincoln Sanitation, requested that the Board reconsider frost law load restrictions on county gravel roads and to possibly set up an advisory committee to look at a long-term policy regarding weight restrictions in the county.

The Board, Manager, staff and guest discussed frost law load restrictions in detail.

On a motion by Commission Duggan, seconded by Commissioner Garver and carried unanimously it was moved to rescind frost law load restrictions on county gravel roads for 2014 and revisit the issue in the near future for implementation in 2015.

David Cooper, Hamilton Township Supervisor, discussed a township road plan, future road millage, and thanked all staff for a job well done on the roads.

Richard Wells, Freeman Township Trustee, discussed township concerns.

Jay Zuchnik, MDOT, discussed the MDOT State Maintenance Contract, budget concerns and specific line items and also thanked the county for a job well done and for all their cooperation.

Manager, Ron Bushong, updated the Board on the following: CRAM conference March 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>; unemployment update on Michael Ireland; CCSD has our radio frequency in the 911 dispatch center and the CRAM East Central Council meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup> in Alcona County.

It was a consensus of the Board to vote for Burt Thompson, Antrim County, for CRAM Board of Directors.

It was a consensus of the Board to authorize proceeding with purchasing a Foreman pickup and Walk-n-Roll attachment for a grader thru MI-Deal.

Permits 03-14 thru 05-14 for A-1 Underground, Charter and Osceola CRC to work in the road right-of-way were examined and signed by all members of the Board.

John Krchmar, Road Maintenance Supervisor, gave an updated road maintenance report.

Dave Sunday, Road Maintenance Foreman, gave an updated road maintenance report.

Jeff Lloyd, Stock Clerk, gave an updated shop report.

Al Leonard, Engineer-Tech, gave an updated engineering department report.

Commissioner Garver requested a workshop.

It was a consensus of the Board to schedule a workshop on Monday, February 10, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

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Kimberly Kimmel, Board Secretary

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Richard F. Haynak, Chair