

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 August 1, 2023.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Bill Simpson, Vice Chairperson.

Commissioners present: Bill Simpson, Max Schunk, Dave Coker, and Merle Harmon

Commissioners absent: Karen Hulliberger

Staff present: Dewayne Rogers, Managing Director; Dave Bondie; Superintendent, Brian Coon, North Road Foreman; Greg Hilyard, South Road Foreman; Dave Graham, Shop Foreman; and Kayla Randle, Finance Director/Board Secretary

Guests present: Rick Jones; Hayes Township Supervisor, Mike and Sue Eatmon; Hayes Township Residents, Jim and Lynne Haswell; Hayes Township Residents, Jim Lard; Garfield Township Trustee, Pat Adams; Hayes Township Resident, and Lori Phelps; Clare County Administrator.

On a motion by Commissioner Coker, seconded by Commissioner Schunk and approved with one commissioner absent, it was moved to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2023, regular meeting as presented.

The fund balance report was presented and discussed.

On a motion by Commissioner Harmon, seconded by Commissioner Coker and approved with one commissioner absent, it was moved to approve payments from August 1, 2023: AP (77460-7777533), Payroll 7/26 (#54120-54129, #11785-11840), MERS and HRA's totaling \$884,330.30.

Lori Phelps, Clare County Administrator was present to thank Dewayne and the road commission for their assistance with the airport and the great working relationship between both entities.

Rick Jones, Hayes Township Supervisor asked that the Road Commission to investigate whether Andrews St, Edgewater, and Hayes St in Cranberry Lake Subdivision are public roads that should be maintained by the road commission.

Pat Adams, Hayes Township resident was able to do a ride around in Hayes Township and appreciates all the hard work the crews have done. He also thanked the road commission for the brush clearing at Oak beach.

Jim Lard, Garfield Township trustee stated there was a concern on a sign that may have been taken down on Lake Station Avenue where the road widening was done.

On a motion by Commissioner Schunk, seconded by Commissioner Simpson and approved with one commissioner absent, it was moved to have Kayla fill out the CRASIF ballot to vote for all three candidates listed on the ballot and send back.

On a motion by Commissioner Coker, seconded by Commissioner Harmon and approved with one commissioner absent, it was moved to approve the resolution to decertify a section of road in Redding Township in section 22-23.

Brian Coon, North Road Foreman updated that crews are out blading, working on a culvert in Hayes Township, mowing, and preparing gravel projects for gravel.

Dave Graham, Shop Foreman updated the board that the annual blades arrived, and that tandem trucks are slowly coming in and being built but can take up to eight months to build.

Dave Bondie, Superintendent updated on some projects that have been completed and ones that are left.

Greg Hilyard, South Road Foreman updated that mowers and boom mowers are still out in the county, three townships brined last week, Townline Lake bridge is completed, and the crew has moved to Dover bridge in Sheridan Township.

Dewayne Rogers, Managing Director updated we are waiting for gravel to be made by the contractors to finish gravel projects, paving is still moving along, chip seal is starting the end of this week, and that all paperwork is in for the round-a-bout project just waiting for the award with a tentative start date of August 14th.

Commissioner Coker asked about the golf outing, Brand Road, and stated he's been driving around looking at roads and has talked to a few employees. He mentioned that some were on their phones while working.

Commissioner Simpson updated that he attended a MCRISIP Meeting last week, attended some great sessions, and encourages everyone to attend these meetings and trainings.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

Kayla Randle, Finance Director/Board Secretary

Karen Hulliberger, Chairperson