

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Chippewa County Road Commissioners was held in their offices located at 3949 S. Mackinac Trail, Sault Ste. Marie, MI on November 24, 2021.

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 A.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Timmer, Commissioner Gagnon, Commissioner Moser, Manager Laitinen, Clerk Livermore, Foreman Rye, Chief Mechanic Marsh.

ABSENT: Office Manager Decker, Engineer Boileau, Superintendent Erickson, Foreman Goodman, Clerk Christensen, Union President Mills.

GUEST PRESENT: Trout Lake Township Supervisor Dave Hillman

Chairman Timmer accepted the agenda as presented.

MOTION by Commissioner Gagnon **SECONDED** by Commissioner Moser that Payroll in the amount of \$170,339.68 and Vouchers in the amount of \$266,546.61 be approved and authorized for payment from the County Road Fund subject to audit.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Commissioner Moser **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gagnon to approve the regular meeting minutes from November 10, 2021 and place them on file.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

STAFF REPORTS

Office Manager Decker

- No Report.

Superintendent Erickson

- No Report.

Foreman Goodman

- No Report.

Foreman Rye

- Winter is here and we are seeing some snow. Short staffed due to deer season, but getting done. Goetzville salt shed has all the trusses on.
- The bridge on M129, south of Pickford, has reopened.

Engineer Boileau

- No Report.

Clerk Christensen

- No Report.

Union President Mills

- No Report.

Payroll/H.R./Board Clerk Livermore

- Nothing New.

Chief Mechanic Marsh

- The sensor replacement issue has been resolved. The dealership is working with us to prioritize our parts.
- The new supply chain issue is for an anti-lock module needed in two of the newer Dodge Pickups.

MANAGER'S REPORT

- Industrial Part Project has been submitted and ready for bid letting in February/March.
- Six Mile Road is programmed and nearly ready to submit
- Received notice that Mackinac Trail / Charlotte River bridge near Seven Mile Road has been selected for construction funding in 2024. Discussion ensued.
- CRA has issued guidance regarding county use of the ARPA funds. While it can be used for revenue replacement in ancillary units of government, there is nothing in the language obligating the county to use any funding for that purpose. Up to 10% may be used for local unit infrastructure and project matching is allowed, but the primary focus of the funding is water, sewer, and broadband. Discussion ensued.
- Still waiting on the final report from SIDOK for the Ship Wreck project. Discussion ensued.
- All winter temps have been hired. One started in the Sault garage this week and the remainder will start on Monday. The upcoming vacancy for Brimley will be filled with a Temp for the winter and we will wait until Spring before making any permanent hire decisions.

NEW BUSINESS

- A.) None.

OLD BUSINESS

- A.) Manager Laitinen update the board regarding the possible purchase of the parcel of land in Goetzville. A counter offer was delivered, keeping the sale price at the offer of \$32,000 but reducing the size of the parcel. Discussion ensued.

County Commissioners Comments

- NONE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- None.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Chairman Timmer wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and reminded everyone to be safe.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:39 A.M.

Bobbie Livermore
Clerk for the Board

Richard Timmer
Chairman