

**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, Michigan on December 28, 2017.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Timmer, Commissioner Ormsbee, Manager Laitinen, Office Manager Decker, Foreman Goodman, Chief Mechanic Marsh and Clerk Price.

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Gagnon, Foreman Erickson, Engineer Krouth, Project Manager Jere, Surveyor Wiggins, Foreman McConkey and Union President Hopper.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Commissioner Ormsbee **SECONDED** by Chairman Timmer that the Payroll in the amount of \$168,034.88 and Vouchers in the amount of \$56,793.21 be approved and authorized for payment from the County Road Fund subject to audit.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Commissioner Ormsbee **SECONDED** by Chairman Timmer to approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held on December 14, and the Special Meeting minutes held on December 22, 2017.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Kinross Township Supervisor mentioned that he has seen several of our fiberglass snow stakes that have snapped/broken.

**STAFF REPORTS**

Foreman Goodman

- Winter Maintenance is going well.
- Thanked the mechanic staff for a quick turn-around on truck repairs.

Office Manager Decker

- 2017 year end.
- Working on Budget for 2018.

Chief Mechanic Marsh

- Shop very busy but staying on top of things.
- Going through the new Ford mower.

**Managers Report**

- Congratulations to Engineer Krouth on the December 21<sup>st</sup> birth of son John Robert Krouth.
- Truck and truck equipment bids will be open tomorrow, Friday December 29<sup>th</sup>. 2017 at 1:00 PM.
- A Certified request has been sent to the Union to open negotiations but no response has been received.
- Working on 2018 Budget with Office Manager Decker.

**New Business**

MERS Health Care Savings Account Discussion.

Manager Laitinen explained the HCSA program to the Board. We were notified by MERS that in order to be in compliance that EVERY employee must contribute ALL of their leave conversion at retirement to the HCSA. Discussion Ensued.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS** None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Kinross Township Supervisor Moore mentioned that there will be snowmobile races at the fair grounds on January 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

**ROAD COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS**

Chairman Timmer thanked the staff that worked over Christmas. He then wished the staff and management a Happy New Year.

There being no further business to come before the Board Chairman Timmer adjourned the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

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Amy L Price  
Clerk for the Board

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Richard B. Timmer  
Chairman