

A SPECIAL 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 October 22, 2018.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Chairman Timmer, Commissioner Gagnon, Manager Laitinen, Office Manager Decker, Chief Mechanic Marsh, Clerk Price and Union President Mills.

ABSENT: Commissioner Ormsbee, Foreman Erickson, Foreman McConkey, Foreman Goodman, Project Manager Jere, Surveyor Wiggins.

MOTION by Commissioner Gagnon **SECONDED** by Chairman Timmer that the Payroll in the amount of \$132,192.21 and Vouchers in the amount of \$574,350.06 be approved and authorized for payment from the County Road Fund subject to audit.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Commissioner Gagnon **SECONDED** by Chairman Timmer to approve the Regular meeting minutes held on October 4, 2018

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS

STAFF REPORTS

Office Manager Decker

- Received both MTF and Forest funds.
- Attended the U.P. Clerks Meeting. Discussion included PA202 and accounting procedures to track Wetland Mitigation locations.
- September Financials
- Continued research and testing timecard entry system.

Union President Mills - No Report

Managers Report

- We had our first Winter call-outs on October 16th. The cold wet weather created slippery conditions.
- Thank You to Foreman Mills and staff for the excellent response to the failed culvert and flooding on the Tahqua Trail.
- Was recently in Lansing for several meetings.
- CRA has released their official position on Senate Bill #396. and has produced a video for distribution opposing SB #396. Additional support will be coming from several other effected agencies.

- Participated in the MDOT negotiation meeting. MDOT has now tentatively taken State wide responsibility for the maintenance, repair and replacement of all guardrail along ramps and overpasses. Locally we have the overpass at 6 Mile Rd that is in need of replacement.
- Attended the Wetland Board Meeting. Policy modifications and current projects were discussed. Considering 26 different projects. Looking at a joint purchase with Mackinac County on some mitigation property.
- Will be attending the 2018/2019 Winter Operations meeting at the Newberry TSC office today.
- The 2018 road project are wrapping up for the season. Clean up work is being done along Lakeshore Dr, it will be paved next Spring.
- A slope/bank failure occurred when the Ice Sand was stock piled.
- Will be switching back to five 8's on Monday the 29th of October.

NEW BUSINESS

MDOT Ferry Road Contract

Authorization for Chairman Timmer and Manager Laitinen to sign the Ferry Road Contract and approval of Resolution #2018-08

MOTION by Chairman Timmer **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gagnon to Authorize Chairman Timmer and Manager Laitinen to sign the Ferry Road Contract and approval of Resolution #18-008.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Timmer asked about a pavement marking package this fall. Manager Laitinen indicated that the large cooperative pavement marking project with MDOT is for 2019, none this season.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS - None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

ROAD COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Chairman Timmer stated that he would like to have policy in place that outlines the procedure when a quorum is not met and obligations need to be.

MOTION by Chairman Timmer **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gagnon to establish a policy for paying the bills when a quorum is not met.

MOTION CARRIED

Chairman Timmer asked if we had moved forward with our Engineer search. Manager Laitinen said that he is working on winter staffing levels and that the Engineers position will follow.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 A.M.

Amy L. Price
Board Secretary

Richard B. Timmer
Chairman