

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2004. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Paul Jefts, and Randy Maxwell.

Members Absent: None

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Norm Turner.

Administrative Staff Present: Joyce Randall, Managing Director, Mike Maneke, Superintendent, and Brooke Steiner, Clerk.

Cheryl Aris, Grant Township Supervisor, was present to bring up the issue on 21 Mile and 150<sup>th</sup> Avenue on placing a 4-way stop at this intersection. Board advised that it is not necessary to do anything at this time. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the 2004 project updates. Randy Maxwell moved and Paul Jefts seconded motion to split the cost 50/50 on the paving and pulverizing of approximately one mile of 105<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Morton Township. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried. Board stated to make sure a contract is signed with Morton Township on this project. Green Township also wants to do 200<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Hoover and Oak and 190<sup>th</sup> South of 23 Mile Road. Board advised to go ahead and send out the estimate for 200<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Hoover and Oak. Board also advised to mention the paving of 175<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Deerfield Township and see what they think. No Action Required.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to allow MDOT to use M-20 as the detour route for about 3 – 4 weeks while they do there project. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried. Kenn Vredenburg, Austin Township Supervisor, was present and mentioned that the Road Commission should notify the Fire Department of this Detour. Board advised Mike Maneke, Superintendent, to handle the situation.

At 7:16 p.m. Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to open and read bids received for Gravel Processing. Bids will be read and placed on file for the review of the administrative staff and if and when awarded, will be in the best interest of Mecosta County. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried. Bids were read as follows:

<b>Gravel Pit:</b>	<b>Consumers</b>	<b>Bauman</b>	<b>Pines</b>	<b>Derby</b>	<b>Byers</b>	<b>Minkel</b>
Halliday Sand & Gravel	\$1.63	\$1.72	\$1.72	\$1.63	NB	\$1.65
Carrick Trucking	NB	\$1.45	\$1.37	\$1.35	NB	\$1.38

Board reviewed the Auction that took place on 3/23/04. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the County Map Printing. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, stated that Big Rapids Printing would print the maps for free if we would allow advertising to be on the maps. Ms. Randall also informed the Board that an update of the map needs to be done and that the County Parks would like to combine both maps. Board advised Norm Turner to take back to the County Board and see what they think of the issue and bring back at the next meeting. No Action Required.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion at 7:33 p.m. to hold Public Hearing for Seasonal Road Additions. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, stated that there was a letter from Austin Township in opposition of putting any roads into seasonal status in there Township, and a letter from Green Township in approval of putting roads in there township onto seasonal road status. Kenneth Vredenburg, Austin Township Supervisor, and Ben Covey, Austin Township resident, were both in opposition of putting any roads on the Seasonal Road Status.

At 7:44 p.m. Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to close the Public Hearing on Seasonal Road additions. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to approve Resolution #04-02 for the addition of various Roads throughout the County to the Seasonal Road List. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

At 7:46 p.m. Randy Maxwell moved and Paul Jefts seconded motion to open and read bids received for Road Projects. Bids will be read and placed on file for the review of the administrative staff and if and when awarded, will be in the best interest of Mecosta County. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.  
Bids were read as follows:

**Sheridan Township – 17 Mile Road from 20<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue.**

L & D Carey & Sons	\$ 73,163.50
Jamieson Construction	\$ 76,206.00
Medler Trucking	\$105,952.75

**Chippewa Township – W. Chippewa Lake Dr. South of 21 Mile to Bit.**

L & D Carey & Sons	\$ 76,922.00
Jamieson Construction	\$ 84,508.00
Dave Aris Excavating	\$ 71,821.00
Medler Trucking	\$138,784.25

**Deerfield Township – 3 Mile from 165<sup>th</sup> to 155<sup>th</sup> Avenue.**

L & D Carey & Sons	\$ 45,371.00
Dave Aris Excavating	\$ 49,932.75
Medler Trucking	\$ 54,628.35

Board reviewed the 2004 Capital Outlay. Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell approved to purchase the patch trailer for Morley from Spaulding Manufacturing per bid quotes in the amount of \$9,759.00. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Board reviewed the 2004 annual materials bid tabulations. Board advised to have Joyce Randall, Managing Director, find out how much it would cost to haul Winter Maintenance Sand from Byers Pit to Big Rapids and Remus garage. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the 2004 tandem truck bid tabulations. Paul Jefts moved and John Currie seconded motion to purchase 3 RDS box style dump boxes and 1 dump box style from Duthler Truck Center. Roll call vote of two (2) yeas (Jefts and Currie), one (1) nay (Maxwell), motion carried.

Board reviewed the 15 Mile Road Hidden Harbor site. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, is waiting for Greg Adams, Hidden Harbor owner, to get back with her. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Drain Code Revision SB 217 in regards to revising the Drain Code. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, stated that the Drain Commission is asking for a resolution in opposition of the bill. Ms. Randall also stated that the County Board adopted a similar resolution in opposition. Board advised they would discuss this issue at the next meeting. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Incident/Accident Report. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, brought to the Board an employee request for leave without pay or advance of vacation time. Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to grant the employee leave without pay for the particular day that was requested. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Board reviewed the request for implementation of 4 – 10 working hours. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, stated she would prepare a formal letter to send to the union supervisor. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the MIOSHA seminar for March 29<sup>th</sup> and April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2004. No Action Required.

Joyce Randall, Managing Director, informed the Board of the following items: 1) received the Federal Exchange Funds; 2) John Price called and was wondering about the three projects that are pending at 215<sup>th</sup>, 16 Mile, and 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue; Board advised to do nothing at this time; 3) Peter Wendling called and stated that the Road Commission has 66ft of right of way on 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue and that the Road Commission could do any maintenance deemed necessary; 4) Night Patrolman will be done on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2004; 5) received a letter from Truck & Trailer in regards to the snow and ice seminar; 6) Steve Lobert, Attorney, called and stated that the owners of Minkel Pit would like to purchase the gravel that is there from the Road Commission. Board advised that they cannot give up that much gravel that is there and to prepare a letter back stating they appreciate the offer but decline it; 7) Mr. Doxtater called and is going to have problems with the Gypsy moths again this year and was wondering if the Road Commission could spray for them, Board advised not to spray; 8) 140<sup>th</sup> Avenue North of Jefferson Road in Deerfield Township has a resident that is replacing a trailer with a double wide and needs to be able to get the trailer down the road, Board advised to check into the Road first and see whether it is Seasonal or Unimproved and then to get the road some maintenance done to it so the resident can get the double wide in; and 9) Hoover Road Bridge is going to have a site inspection on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2004 and the completion date is set for November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004. No Action Required.

Randy Maxwell moved and Paul Jefts seconded motion to pay voucher 3/23/04 in the amount of \$22,241.26. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Mike Maneke, Superintendent, informed the Board of the following item: 1) taxidermist from Wildlife Gallery in Blanchard was wondering if the Road Commission would be interested in having some Brine put on the roads by the Wildlife Gallery, there would be approximately 3,000 gallons a week that would be available. Board advised to check and see if he is tested and has the proper application procedure. Board also advised to have him come in the next meeting. No Action Required.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to approve the write-off of damage from an individuals accident dated 12/18/2002 located on 8 Mile West of 185<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the amount of \$88.74. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

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Chairman

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Secretary

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Date

