

MINUTES OF THE BOARD
OF
MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

NO. 001170

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, August 8th, 2006. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

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

Members Absent: None

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: John Todd

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

Minutes from July 25th, 2006 were approved with corrections made.

Julie Austin, Chippewa Township Treasurer, was present to discuss with the Board the following issues: 1) would like a clarification on which estimate is the correct estimate for 120th Avenue North of 18 Mile Road, Mike Maneke, Superintendent, stated that the estimate for \$25,535 was the correct one. Board stated they would cost share on the project 1/3 Road Commission, 1/3 Township, and 1/3 property owners, Mrs. Austin stated the Township would only share in the cost with a maximum of \$2,000; 2) also water issue on West Chippewa Drive, Board advised that is there is not much that can be done; 3) Pike Street off of West Chippewa Drive gets washed out when it rains, Mrs. Austin was wondering if anything could be done to shoot the water off to the side. Board advised to have Mr. Maneke go out and take a look. No Action Required.

At 9:30 a.m. Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to open and read bids received for MDOT Car Pool Lots and Northland Drive Skip Paving. 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 (3) three yeas, motion carried. Bids were read as follows:

Car Pool Lots:

Fenstermacher Asphalt Paving	\$38,125.00
Woodland Paving Co.	\$59,549.28
Rieth Riley	\$48,219.00

Northland Drive Skip Paving:

Rieth Riley	\$61,989.00
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Brooke Steiner, Clerk, presented the Financial Reports to the Board. No Action Required.

Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to approve the 2006 Budget Revision #1. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Mike Maneke, Superintendent, updated the Board on the 2006 projects as follows: 1) 4 Mile Road 6,000' East of Northland Drive gravel haul in Deerfield Township is done; 2) 4 Mile 6,000' East of Northland Drive is scheduled to be paved at the end of August; and 3) Lawrence Drive is the only project yet to do. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the estimate for 10 Mile/Lake Drive in Morton Township. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, stated that Jim Scott, Morton Township Supervisor, was wondering if the Road Commission would cost share in the project. Board advised they have been cost sharing on the culverts only. No Action Required.

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Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to approve and have the Board sign the Mecosta Township contract for Lawrence Drive, 187th Avenue to existing Lawrence Drive. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to approve and have the Chairman sign the contract with Medler Trucking for Lawrence Drive, 187th Avenue to existing Lawrence Drive in Mecosta Township. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Board advised Mike Maneke, Superintendent, to go ahead and pave the shoulder on 11 Mile Road and Northland Drive per Mecosta Townships request and which they will pay for. No Action Required.

Joyce Randall, Managing Director, informed the Board that Mecosta Township would like an estimate for tree and stump removal on 205th Avenue, 12 Mile to the South and an estimate for stump removal only on the same section of road. Board advised to go ahead and prepare an estimate. No Action Required.

Joyce Randall, Managing Director, updated the Board on 14 Mile Road Driveway, University Parke Suites in Big Rapids Township. Ms. Randall stated the driveway is complete and the old portion of driveway still remains open. Board advised to leave the drive issue alone for now and also write a letter to invite them to come into a Board meeting.

Board reviewed the County Road Association Self Insurance Fund Annual Meeting Voter Authorization. Board approved Joyce Randall, Managing Director, as Voting Delegate and Randy Maxwell as Alternate Voting Delegate. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Paul Bunyan meeting on August 17, 2006 in Lake County. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, and John Currie plan on attending. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Hunters Ridge Estates that is across from the Morley Stanwood High School. It is MDOT's jurisdiction and is private. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, sent a letter stating that the Road Commission has no issues with the plans but they need final approval from MDOT and the drive needs to remain private. No Action Required.

Nick Petersen, Estimator/Field Inspector, was present to discuss with the Board the Driveway Permit Policy. Board advised to have the statement about culverts read that they need to be double walled and would prefer steel but would accept plastic. Board also advised to have the District Foreman and Superintendent look the policy over and bring back to the next meeting for discussion. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the County Road Association of Michigan Public Relations Workshop on September 28, 2006 at Roscommon County Road Commission. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, plans on attending. No Action Required.

Supervisor's meeting at 11:06 a.m. present: Frank Randall, Charlie Cornell, Mike Simon, and Bob Thumser.

Supervisors updated the Board on patching, cutting trees and brush, installing tubes, maintenance, shoulder maintenance, blading roads, ditching, repairing washouts, sweeping intersections, hauling tubes, pumping state tanks, mowing DNR dams, and fixing trucks. Mike Simon, Shop Foreman, presented an estimate for materials only for the Morley garage roof, Board advised to go ahead and Bid out. No Action Required.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 11:48 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 12:32 p.m.

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Board reviewed the Chippewa Hills High School Fuel Depot annual expense summary. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the incident/accident report. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the correspondence from Michigan County Road Commission Self Insurance Pool in regards to Tom Brouwer's retirement party. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the correspondence from Frederic D. Byrne in regards to driveway permits. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the correspondence from Osceola County Road Commission in regards to holding an Open House at their new facility. No Action Required.

Joyce Randall, Managing Director, informed the Board of the following items: 1) wondering whether or not to extend the 4-10 hour working days, Board advised to extend the 4-10's but the time to be 6:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; 2) wondering about holding another Township Meeting, Board advised a good idea if a guest speaker could be brought in; 3) also Josh Okrangley on 6 Mile Road, a Seasonal Road, was wondering if he could pay the Road Commission to grade his road, with her recommendation that this practice not be approved. Board advised that the Road Commission not perform this type of work; 4) 230th Avenue and 17 Mile Road in Big Rapids Township stop signs, currently 230th Avenue is being stopped and 17 Mile Road is not, when it should be 17 Mile Road stopping and 230th Avenue going through, Board advised to bring a Traffic Control Order back to the next meeting switching the stop signs; and 5) Manitoba and Winnipeg Road closure off of Buchanan Road in Canadian Lakes, planning to place a burm to close the roads and will be 50' off the road. No Action Required.

Mike Maneke, Superintendent, informed the Board of the following items: 1) Evergreen Road East of 100th Avenue in Chippewa Township has the trees done and almost all the culverts in, just the ditching needs to be done; 2) working on 120th Avenue North of 18 Mile Road in Chippewa/Grant Township; 3) Cliff Halliday, Halliday Sand and Gravel, would sell gravel out of Evergreen Pit for \$3.75/yard and Bauman Pit for 4.25/yard; and 4) update on Phase 2 of Centerline Painting. No Action Required.

Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to approve voucher 8/09/2006 for payment in the amount of \$417,576.07. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY

DATE