

MINUTES OF THE BOARD
OF
MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

NO. 001191

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, December 12th, 2006. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

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

Members Absent: Paul Jefts left 10:20 a.m. Paul Jefts returned 2:00 p.m.

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Norm Turner

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

Minutes from November 28, 2006 were approved as written.

Mike Fleitman, Mecosta County Development Corporation, was present to discuss with the Board the intersection of 18 Mile Road and Northland Drive in Big Rapids Township. Joyce Randall, Managing Director, presented an aerial photo of the proposed intersection that was dropped off by Maxine McClelland, Big Rapids Township Supervisor. No Action Required.

Steve Warner, Cimarex Energy, was present to discuss with the Board the Oil and Gas Leases. The Board advised that they would have never signed the leases if the acreage amount was any less. Mr. Warner was going to take that information back to Cimarex Energy and bring any information back to the Board. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the 2007 project priority list from Wheatland Township. No Action Required.

Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to approve resolution #06-11 in regards to Federal Funds Local Task Force. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

John Currie moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to approve resolution #06-12 in regards to selling the Federal Funds. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Board reviewed the estimate for Arthur Road from M-66 to 20th Avenue in Sheridan Township. Board advised to go ahead and send to the township. No Action Required.

John Boyd, Village of Stanwood, was present to discuss with the Board a driveway permit for a walkway from Rails to Trails down to the Park. Board approved the permit as long as crosswalk signs are placed and the culvert is matched up to the other ones. Board also advised that if the Village of Stanwood paid for the signs the Road Commission would install them. No Action Required.

Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to approve Resolution #06-10 in regards to Federal Funds Rural Task Force. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Nick Petersen, Estimator/Field Inspector, was present to discuss with the Board a commercial driveway permit for Tiel's Pool and Spa on 220th Avenue South of Perry Street in Big Rapids Township. Board approved the permit with the statement that if the road is ever upgraded the driveway would need to be upgraded to match the road. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the 18 Mile Road seal coat damage by Churchill Communications. Board also reviewed the letter from Verizon and stated that it was unacceptable and stated for the administrative staff to send a letter back to Verizon letting them know. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the 130th Avenue South of 4 Mile Road in Deerfield Township. Mike Maneke, Superintendent, stated he met with Dan Judge and Mr. Judge is willing to work with the Road Commission on the repairs of the road. No Action Required.

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Board reviewed the Road Commissions property list. Board advised to get bids from Realtors and to have the property listed with a Realtor. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Young's Lake Road turn around obstruction. The property owner is dumping sand in the Road Commissions turn around. Board advised they would have to go out and take a look at it. No Action Required.

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

Joyce Randall, Managing Director, informed the Board that the CRAM Board authorized an increase in the urban road percentage without the member's knowledge. Ms. Randall stated that this might go for a vote before the members in March 2007. Board advised to send a letter to the CRAM Board in regards to their concerns. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the proposed personal cell phone usage policy. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the correspondence to Denise Moore in regards to Grass Lake Road from 195th Avenue to 18 Mile Road speed limit request. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the correspondence from the Michigan Stormwater-Floodplain Association in regards to their annual conference. No Action Required.

John Currie moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to approve the purchase of a truck wing for the Remus Garage for approximately \$10,000. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Supervisor's meeting at 11:10 a.m. present: Frank Randall, Charlie Cornell, Mike Simon, and Bob Thumser.

Supervisors updated the Board on patching, cutting trees and brush, winter maintenance, shoulder maintenance, blading roads, replacing culverts, ditching, pumping state tanks, pumping Brine Well, working on Hanchetts (State Project), putting out sand barrels, installing snow fence, and fixing trucks. No Action Required.

Ed Burch, Engineer, was present to update the Board on Evergreen Road Bridge. Mr. Burch stated he received an email that stated the Evergreen Road Bridge is funded for the 2008 Fiscal Year. No Action Required.

Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to pay voucher 12/12/2006 in the amount of \$161,189.35. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 11:55 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Board visited on site Evergreen Road in Chippewa Township to discuss the possible abandonment locations and Young's Lake Road in Grant Township for the turn around obstruction.

Board returned back to the office at 2:00 p.m.

Board advised that the Road Abandonment for Evergreen Road would stop at Jim McLachlan's property line and Mr. McLachlan would deed the Road Commission an easement for a turn around. No Action Required.

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Board advised that Jim Knapp, Surveyor, needs to check and see were the Road Commissions actual property is for the Young's Lake turn around. No Action Required.

Brooke Steiner, Clerk, presented the financial reports to the Board. No Action Required.

Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to approve the Transfer of \$100,000 from the Cash Account to the Unreserved Cash Account. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

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

Randy Maxwell moved and John Currie seconded motion to sign the Engineering Contract Agreement Renewal with Ed Burch for the period of two years starting January 1, 2007 through January 1, 2009. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY

DATE