

MINUTES OF THE BOARD  
OF  
MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

NO 1409

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, June 8, 2010. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Randy Maxwell, Paul Jefts

Members Absent: None

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerry Williams

Administrative Staff Present: Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director, Mike Maneke, Superintendent, and Connie Larson, Board Secretary.

Minutes from May 25, 2010 were approved as written.

Julie Austin, Chippewa Township Treasurer was present to thank the Road Commission for completing 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 20 Mile so quickly. No action required.

Jim Quinlan, Morton Township Supervisor was present to discuss road projects with the Board. Mr. Quinlan expressed his concern for the condition that 90<sup>th</sup> Avenue is in and inquired as to what the status was on the M-20 Schrader Creek project. Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director informed him that Karl Koivisto, MDOT would be present today to discuss that. Mr. Quinlan received the estimates for Wood Street and bike lanes on 90<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Mike Maneke, Superintendent. No action required.

Jerry Williams, Commissioner will be meeting with Mike Maneke, Superintendent to look at 19 Mile Road and Evans Lake area. No action required.

Board reviewed the 2010 project list. Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director reported that 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 20 Mile Road, Streets of Remus, and the gravel haul on 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue have been completed. Ms. Kuipers reported that the 5 Mile Road bid letting should be sometime this month, and that the 13 Mile Road project has been signed by Martiny Township. Mike Maneke, Superintendent reported they have started the 18 Mile Road project and discussed putting a sleeve under the road for future lines that may need to cross under the road. Board advised that he do that.

Board reviewed the dust control contracts from Colfax, Martiny, and Millbrook Townships.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded a motion to approve signing the dust control contracts with Colfax Township for two additional applications, and Martiny Township for two additional applications of brine for 2010. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded a motion to approve signing the dust control contract with Millbrook Township for one additional application of brine for 2010. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Board reviewed the following; 1) MDNRE ACO Compliance letters; 2) CRAM Campaign School 3) Kuhn's Plat 2<sup>nd</sup> Street letter. No action required.

Ed Burch, Engineer was present to discuss Remonumentation issues with the Board. In particular the corner boxes and pins being marked when resurfacing an existing road as we no longer have a surveyor on staff to handle that. Board advised Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director to get a quote from Jim Knapp, Surveyor for those kinds of issues. No action required.

Karl Koivisto, MDOT was present to update the Board on the M-20 Schrader Creek road project. Mr. Koivisto stated that the 90<sup>th</sup> Avenue overlay is currently included as part of that project but will not occur until the project is actually in progress. Board discussed the possibility of the County resurfacing now and being reimbursed from the State when project occurs. Mr. Koivisto will research that option. No action required.

Mike Lafferty, City Airport was present to discuss a dip on 18 Mile Road east of the airports driveway that he would like repaired when construction of 18 Mile Road is underway. Mike

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Maneke, Superintendent suggested that a fill could be done there instead of a cut. Board advised they would look at it later today. No action required.

Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director reviewed the finances with the Board. No action required.

Board discussed centerline painting with Mike Maneke, Superintendent. Board advised to do in one phase this year after all the seal coating and paving have been completed. No action required.

Supervisors meeting at 11:00 a.m. present: Jim Johnson, Frank Randall, Toni Kailing. Board was updated on maintenance issues. Frank Randall informed the Board that the roof on the Remus garage is in bad condition and needs replaced. No action required.

Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director informed the Board that David Marek has not contacted the Road Commission in regards to the lease agreement for the property in Grant Township. No action required.

Board reviewed the Quick Claim Deed to the City of Big Rapids for the property being swapped. Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the Quit Claim Deed to the City of Big Rapids for the property located at 120 N DeKrafft. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director discussed the Road Improvement Permit for Jean Rardin on 18 Mile Road with the Board. Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded a motion to authorize Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director to sign the Road Improvement (grading) Permit with Jean Rardin for road improvements on 18 Mile Road. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Board reviewed the Engineer Reimbursement form. Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded a motion to approve the Board to sign the Engineer Reimbursement form. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Board discussed the MERS Annual Meeting. Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded a motion to approve Joyce Kuipers as the Officer Delegate and Paul Jefts as the Alternate Delegate for the 2010 MERS Annual Meeting. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Board reviewed the incident/accident report. No action required.

Board reviewed correspondence. No action required.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 11:30 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 12:15 p.m. on site at 18 Mile Road.

Meeting continued in the office at 1:00 p.m.

Toni Kailing, Fleet Maintenance Supervisor was present to discuss the tire purchases made recently. No action required.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded a motion to approve voucher 6/9/2010 for payment in the amount of \$396,770.73 as presented to the Board. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director discussed issues with the Board regarding permits from the Drain Commission office. Ms. Kuipers stated the permit fee for 18 Mile Road has been waived. Ms. Kuipers stated that a soil erosion plan needed to be done for each gravel pit which entails a cost for each pit. Board advised to discuss this further with Drain Commissioner. No action required.

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Mike Maneke, Superintendent presented the Board with an estimate for Henry Spedowski regarding the road damage his farm equipment did on 130<sup>th</sup> Avenue South of 5 Mile Road. Board advised to send the estimate to Mr. Spedowski. No action required.

Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director discussed the health care options for the retirees with the Board. No action required.

Mike Maneke, Superintendent informed the Board that he found some clay at Parks Sawmill for .50 a yard. Moringstars offered to load the trucks at no cost. Mr. Maneke stated they will take the loads to Adams Pit. Board advised to get enough to also take some to Hanson Pit. Board also advised to get a cost to contract out the haul. No action required.

Mike Maneke, Superintendent informed the Board that on Lake Drive south of 10 Mile Road there is a problem with drainage running into residents garage caused by the road construction that was done there last year. Board discussed, and Paul Jefts, Commissioner and Mr. Maneke will look at it. No action required.

At 2:10 p.m. Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

At 2:35 p.m. Randy Maxwell moved and Paul Jefts seconded a motion to go back to regular session. Roll call vote of three (3) yeas, motion carried.

Mike Maneke, Superintendent discussed some issues on the 23 Mile Road project that was contracted out to the Osceola County Road Commission with the Board. No action required.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN

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BOARD SECRETARY

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