

MINUTES OF THE BOARD
OF
MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

NO. 001284

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday May 27th, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

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

Members Absent: None

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Ruth Hess.

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

Minutes from May 13th, 2008 were approved with corrections.

Cheryl Aris, Grant Township Supervisor, was present to mention to the Board that a resident complained about the Road Commission brining and then grading the gravel roads. Mrs. Aris stated that the resident thought it would be better if the Road Commission graded and then brined the gravel roads. Board advised Mrs. Aris that the Road Commission always grades gravel roads prior to brining them. No Action Required.

Phil Hanford, Mecosta Township Supervisor, Susan Sikkema, Mecosta Township Clerk, Mary Quinlan, Mecosta Township Treasurer, and Ken Vredenburg, Austin Township Supervisor, were all present to discuss with the Board the 8 Mile Road from Northland Drive to 200th Avenue paving participation with Ice Mountain. Mr. Hanford was wondering if the cost included the turn lanes. Board advised the cost does include the turn lanes. Randy Maxwell moved and Paul Jefts seconded motion to approve the contract with Ice Mountain for 8 Mile Road from Northland Drive to 200th Avenue paving. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried. Mr. Hanford was also wondering if the Road Commission would participate with the Township in regards to Park Road East of Northland Drive to Boat launch. Board advised they could not at this time. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the 2008 project priority list. No Action Required.

Ken Vredenburg, Austin Township Supervisor, was present to discuss with the Board the estimates for (Phase 1) 180th Avenue from end of bit 3,726' North and (Phase 2) 180th Avenue 4,200' North of Phase 1. Mr. Vredenburg stated he would need to take the estimate back to the Township board and get back with the Road Commission. No Action Required.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to approve and sign contract with Deerfield Township for 4 Mile Road from 160th Avenue to 155th Avenue paving. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to approve the contract with Green Township for Water Street and Lawrence Circle in Paris. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Randy Maxwell moved and Paul Jefts seconded motion to approve and sign the contract with Morton Township for 90th Avenue from 9 Mile Road to Buchanan Road and Buchanan Road from 90th Avenue to 105th Avenue. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Board reviewed the correspondence from MDOT in regards to the Rural Transportation Planning Meeting on June 3rd, 2008. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Big Rapids Garage Door estimate from Steve Jones Construction Company. No Action Required.

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Board reviewed the chain saw replacement estimates. Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director, stated she was waiting for the estimates from Mike Simon, Maintenance Supervisor. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the Estimator/Field Inspector position. Board advised to advertise for a survey position. No Action Required.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to Authorize Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director, to discuss workers compensation claims through County Road Association Self Insurance Fund. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

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

Board reviewed the correspondence from Mecosta County Parks in regards to David Basch's retirement notice. No Action Required.

Board reviewed the correspondence from Green Township in regards to 2008 dust control program. No Action Required.

Joyce Kuipers, Managing Director, informed the Board of the following items: 1) Huron County Road Commission was visiting to look at the wing blades on the trucks, while here they had an interest in possibly purchasing truck #33-7, they will be sending an offer on the truck; 2) has a Upper Peninsula Road Builders Association meeting on July 16-19, 2008; and 3) resolution #08-06 in regards to Critical Bridge Application, Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to approve Resolution #08-06 in regards to the Critical Bridge Application. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Mike Maneke, Superintendent, was present to discuss with the Board the following items: 1) Andy Lattimore's request for commercial driveway permit for storage units on Third Street, Mr. Maneke stated that Mr. Lattimore would like to put 2 storage units in this year and two storage units in next year, Mr. Maneke also stated that Mr. Lattimore is planning to put 5' of concrete in front of the storage units and then putting limestone from the concrete down to were it meets the asphalt, Mr. Maneke also stated that Mr. Lattimore would also maintain and make any repairs to the edge were the Road Commission trucks plow, Board advised to go ahead with the permit but want the recorded deed to state the maintenance and repairs portion; 2) Mr. Maneke stated that Gary Bengry, property owner, placed his fence back along the edge of the road. Board advised that he cannot do this and needs to be notified and have the fence removed. No Action Required.

At 6:25 pm Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to move into executive session to discuss contract negotiations. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

At 6:35 pm Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to move back into general session. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Paul Jefts moved and Randy Maxwell seconded motion to approve voucher 5/15/2008 for payment in the amount of \$599.90 and voucher 5/27/2008 for payment in the amount of \$1,027.72. Roll call vote of (3) three yeas, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY

DATE

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