

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Newaygo County was called to order by Chairman Harmon at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 14th, 2018 at the road commission offices.

Commissioners present Bill Gonyon, Douglas Harmon and Louis J. Meeuwenberg

Also present: Manager, Kelly Smith; Assistant Manager Derek Wawczyk and Clerk, Kristin Dronchi

Motion by Commissioner Meeuwenberg and supported by Commissioner Gonyon to approve the minutes of regular meeting on January 17th, 2018. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Gonyon and supported by Commissioner Meeuwenberg to approve vendor checks from #60950 to #60979 and ACH vendor payments from #elect7590 to #elect7620 in the amount of \$638,544.65 and payroll checks from #56847 to #56867 in the amount of \$91,609.27 for January 26, 2018 and to approve vendor checks from #60980 to #61002 and ACH vendor payments from #elect7621 to #elect7660 in the amount of \$169,528.99 and payroll checks from #56869 to #56889 in the amount of \$104,564.87 for January 12th, 2018. Motion carried.

Bid Awarding for Tree Cutting/Removal

Motion was made by Commissioner Meeuwenberg and supported by Commissioner Gonyon to accept management recommendations to award to all three contractors and work from low bid up depending on their availability to meet our schedule. Motion carried.

Public Hearing – Opened at 8:06 a.m.

Public Hearing opened for the following projects:

Sheridan Township

- **Lake Dr. between Green Ave. and Connie Ave.** – reconstruct

Dayton Township

- **Green Ave. between 44th St. to 48th St.** – reconstruct
- **44th St. between Market Ave. and Green Ave.** – reconstruct

Discussions took place regarding the road projects and residents from the townships were present at the meeting to get their questions answered.

Kelly reported on the optional return to work policy the CRASIF implemented. Board agreed with Kelly's decision about not implementing the option return to work policy.

Kelly updated the Board with the status of the motorcycle accident that happened last year at Comstock and 44th. The case is still in court.

Kelly reported on the professional services agreement with Fleis and Vandenbrink. Due to KCRC's engineering being busy with their projects Kelly would like to utilize Fleis Engineering services when KCRC isn't available. Board had no objections and authorized Kelly to sign the agreement.

Discussions took place regarding cash flow and the FY 2018 Budget.

Kelly reported on the legislative review committee meeting in Lansing.

Kelly reported on weight restrictions and the frost checks.

Discussions took place regarding primary projects for the 2018 construction season. After discussions Kelly reported that he would get an asphalt bid out for the primary projects along the Green and 44th and Lake View Drive projects to see how the bid prices come in with the verbiage that the road commission has the right to pull projects or add additional projects depending on funding.

Kelly reported that he had to terminate an employee who was within the probationary period that just wasn't working out. He also reported that he would like to hire 2 additional employees plus replace the one that was terminated. Board had no objections.

Kelly reported that we got the insurance appraisal report back from Deyo Associates. They did a walk through and inventories the white cloud and newaygo facility. The report included the valuation of personal property for insurability purposes and included the cost of replacement method.

Kelly reported that Derek and he attended the Dayton Township's February board meeting and informed them that the NCRC Board had annulled the agreement with them to participate with a one-time payment of approximately \$32,000 towards 44th Street and Green Ave when it was constructed to Primary road standards. Kelly reported that they were very thankful.

Derek reported that the shop service truck is here and almost complete.

Derek reported on the building upgrades that have taken place and future projects.

Derek reported that truck #500 has been sold to the City of White Cloud.

Derek reported that he will be attending a public speaking seminar in Mt. Pleasant. He also reported that on February 22nd the road commission will be holding a sensitivity training as required by the safety program.

Kristin reported that the Act 51 Certification cover page for 2017 needed to be signed by the Chair. Motion was made by Commissioner Meeuwenberg and supported by Commissioner Gonyon to approve the Act 51 Certification cover page for 2017 and to allow the Chairman to sign. Motion carried.

Kristin reported the Paul Bunyan Council meeting is February 22nd, 2018.

Public Hearing closed ~ 10:45 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10.50 a.m.

Douglas Harmon, Chairman

Kristin Dronchi, Clerk