

## **REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Iron County was held on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. in the Road Commission office at 800 W. Franklin Street, Iron River, Michigan.

Present for the meeting were Chairman Carl Sholander, Vice Chairman Joe Sabol, Members Charles Battan, Dan Germic and Ernest Schmidt, Superintendent/Manager Doug Tomasoski, and Office Manager/Clerk Darlene Anderson. Attorney Mark Tousignant was absent.

Chairman Sholander led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Added to the Agenda under Old Business was Item A.—Monroe Equipment.

It was motioned by Sabol, supported by Schmidt, to approve the revised agenda.

Ayes: All  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

**MINUTES TO BE APPROVED** To be approved were the minutes of the Audit and Regular meetings of May 08, 2012 and the minutes of the Special meeting of May 14, 2012.

It was motioned by Schmidt, supported by Germic, to approve the aforementioned minutes as submitted.

Ayes: All  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

**DISBURSEMENTS TO BE APPROVED** The disbursements to be approved included Payrolls of \$87,176.91; Prepaid Claims of \$25,656.21; and Accounts Payables of \$112,566.99, for a total of \$225,400.11.

It was motioned by Sabol, supported by Battan, to approve the Audit Committee Report dated June 12, 2012 covering the aforementioned disbursements.

Ayes: All  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** Superintendent Tomasoski reported:

- The Bates Amasa Road project is ready for bidding.
- The grade inspection for the CR424 signage project will be done next week.
- The township agreements are ready.
- Waiting to hear back from Plum Creek Lumber confirming they are still willing to donate material for Bates Township gravel crushing.
- All summer employees have started working.
- Will be starting the review of applications for full time hire.
- Crack filling, brushing and mowing are being done.
- Revising the Heritage Bike Trail RFP for review by committee members.

Tomasoski provided a draft policy for the board's review pertaining to gravel contribution by a township. He said he drafted the policy because he has concerns with the recent agreement entered into with Bates

Township to share in the cost of crushing gravel and then putting it down on specific roads designated by the township. Tomasoski said he is concerned that by entering into this agreement with Bates Township the road commission is circumventing its own policy which currently requires a township to pay 100% for a local project. Tomasoski said if the townships are going to be allowed to dictate where and when roads are graveled the road commission will not have control of its own maintenance schedule. He said the road commission is now spending money crushing gravel that had not been planned for this year. Commissioner Sholander suggested that the board should identify their goals and objectives before adopting the policy. Commissioner Schmidt said the road commission is doing better now and should be helping the townships more.

**DELEGATIONS** Mansfield Township Supervisor Dick Dryjanski said the residents in the Dykes area want to know if any crack filling will be done on their roads. Tomasoski said that because of the long distance from the garage to the Dykes area he is getting an estimate from Fahrner Asphalt to do the work.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** There were no committee reports.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**MONROE EQUIPMENT** Tomasoski advised the board that when the specs for the new trucks were done they forgot to add grizzlies for the sanders and a non-stick step on the underbody. He requested permission to add them to the new trucks.

It was motioned by Battan, supported by Sabol, to approve the cost of adding grizzlies and no-stick steps to the new trucks at an approximate cost of \$2,300 per vehicle.

Ayes: All  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**SELF INSURANCE POOL MEETING DELEGATE** It was motioned by Sabol, supported by Germic, to designate Commissioner Sholander as the voting member for the Pool's annual meeting.

Ayes: All  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

Commissioner Sholander asked for position votes on two issues that will be voted on at the annual meeting: 1) Voting by mail—Yes: all. No: none.

2) Insuring county road departments in addition to road commissions—Yes: Germic, Sholander, Sabol, Battan. No: Schmidt.

**ROAD MILLAGE RENEWAL** Superintendent Tomasoski told the board that the deadline to get the road millage renewal on the November ballot is August 28. He said county board approval is needed if the road commission wants to run the renewal again. Discussion took place.

It was motioned by Schmidt, supported by Sabol, to approve making a request to the county board to put the road millage on the November ballot. The request shall be for ½ mil with the same wording as last time but updated with the correct language and dollar amounts, for a term of four years.

Ayes: All  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

**CR424 RESOLUTION** Commissioner Sabol offered the following resolution which was supported by Commissioner Battan and unanimously adopted:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the **BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF IRON, STATE OF MICHIGAN** has received the following Michigan Department of Transportation contract:

Control Section	STH 36609
Job Number	113603C
Project	STP 1236 (009)
Fed Item No.	LL0410
Contract No.	12-5266

And, **WHEREAS**, the **BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF IRON, STATE OF MICHIGAN** desires to contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation for:

The performance of preliminary engineering activities for permanent sign upgrading work along County Road 424 from the east city limits of Gaastra to Highway US2; and all together with necessary related work.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the **BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF IRON, STATE OF MICHIGAN** hereby authorizes Chairman Carl Sholander and Superintendent/ Manager Douglas C. Tomasoski to sign the above referenced contract.

On a roll call vote:

Ayes: Battan, Schmidt, Sabol, Germic, Sholander

Nays: None

*I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution offered and duly adopted by the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Iron at a regular meeting held this 12<sup>th</sup> Day of June 2012.*

*Signed:* \_\_\_\_\_  
Darlene M. Anderson, Clerk

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT** No report.

**COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS** Commissioner Sabol reported that Ingold and Robinson Lake Roads are in need of gravel. Sabol asked if there is going to be a used equipment sale. He said the proceeds from that could go towards purchasing new pickup trucks.

Commissioner Battan said the road commission should refuse to accept the flail mower that was delivered in very poor condition from Weyer Equipment. Master Mechanic Stolberg said he will contact the Weyer sales representative and discuss the matter with him.

Battan said the Idlewild Road scarifying job turned out very nice.

At 9:45 a.m. with no further business to come before the board, it was motioned by Schmidt, supported by Germic to adjourn the regular meeting.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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Chair

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Darlene Anderson, Clerk