

## KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

July 8, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held at their offices in Mohawk, Michigan on July 8, 2009.

Present: Commissioners Bjorn and McEvers

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M.

The minutes of the June 11, 2009 regular meeting were read and approved as read on a motion by Commissioner McEvers and support from Commissioner Bjorn.

Vouchers #28197, #28198 and Master Vendor Vouchers #7 & 8-2009 in the total amount of \$191,398.44 were audited by the Commissioners and the Master Vendor Voucher was signed. Commissioner McEvers moved to pay the bills. Commissioner Bjorn supported the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner McEvers motioned to approve the minutes, pay the bills and accept the financial statement as presented. Commissioner Bjorn supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Board and Engineer discussed the sale of Gay stamp sands to individuals other than GreenSand Corporation and the need to track actual quantities removed. The Engineer would create a material withdrawal form to allow the Road Commission to get an estimate from the purchaser of the anticipated quantity to be removed, size and number of trucks, and the location the material is placed to verify the actual amount removed.

The Engineer informed the Board that a new 3 year MDOT maintenance contract has been reviewed and approved by the CRAM negotiating committee. They have issued a recommendation to sign the contract. The contract should be received in the next several weeks for our review and approval.

The Engineer informed the Board that the Northern Michigan Association of Road Commissions Annual Meeting, in conjunction with the CRASIF Annual Meeting, will be held in Boyne Falls September 9 – 11.

The Engineer informed the Board that the Gay-Lac LaBelle Road crush and shape project started today and the Eagle Harbor Road culvert project would start in mid August or after Labor Day.

The Engineer informed the Board that the MERS Annual Report and Plan Summary have been received and reviewed by the Engineer and Finance Director. KCRC is currently 76% funded. MERS presented two additional payment plans in order to obtain a 100% funding level over 5 to 15 years. Due to the current financial conditions, neither plan is viable at this time. On a motion by Commissioner McEvers, with support from Commissioner Bjorn, the Board authorized the Finance Director to pay an affordable, additional amount each month to MERS to begin the process of achieving 100% funded status.

The Engineer informed the Board that a printer/scanner would be required in order to communicate and process paperwork with MDOT for all future projects, as only digital information will be accepted. Commissioner McEvers motioned to purchase the necessary printer/scanner unit to maintain project communications with MDOT. Commissioner Bjorn supported the motion.

Other items of routine business were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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Eric Bjorn, Chairman

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Gregg M. Patrick, Engineer