

KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

January 11, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held at their offices in Mohawk, Michigan on January 11, 2022.

Present: Commissioners Waananen, Olson and Karvonen

Guests:

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm

The minutes of the December 14, 2021 meeting were read and approved by a motion by Commissioner Olson and supported by Commissioner Karvonen. The motion carried.

Vouchers # 28249 and # 28250 and Master Vouchers # 01-2022, # 02-2022 in the total amount of \$248,645.97 were audited by the Commissioners. Commissioner Olson motioned to pay the bills as presented. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried.

Upon review of the monthly financial statement, Commissioner Karvonen motioned to accept the financial statement as presented. Commissioner Olson supported the motion. The motion carried.

Old Business:

The property appraisals, surveys and other necessary documents were still be processed for the potential sale of properties in Central and Gay. The winter sand removal from Big Traverse is continuing this year, with access being provided from our property.

The seasonal Road Policy draft was reviewed and discussed, with additional changes being made for further review next month.

New Business:

Commissioner Olson moved to adopt a Resolution authorizing the transfer of up to 30% of the Primary Fund to the Local Fund to be made in accordance with section 12 (9) of Act 51, P.A. of 1951, as amended. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Act 51 Road Certification was discussed. Commissioner Olson moved to approve the certified mileage, certification maps and to authorize the Engineer to sign the certification. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Engineer informed the Board the Finance Director applications will be reviewed by the Finance Director and Engineer this week and 3 to 8 candidates will be selected for interviews. Dates and times, in person or remote will be determined after discussing with each selected applicant.

The Engineer and Board discussed the annual vehicle and equipment reports along with the equipment needs list. The reports and needs list were reviewed and discussed. On a motion by Commissioner Karvonen with support by Commissioner Olson, the Board directed the Engineer to purchase a set of quick attach forks for the wheel loaders and a pickup mounted hydraulic power

broom with a combined total not to exceed \$35,000.00

The Forest Road Projects were discussed by the Board. Commissioner Karvonen moved to approve the Gratiot Lake Road, Gay-Lac La Belle Road, Bete Gris Road, Brockway Mountain Drive and Cliff Drive as Forest Road Projects for 2022. Commissioner Olson supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Board discussed the Weighmaster Program for 2022. The Board agreed to join Houghton County, Baraga County and Ontonagon County for the same program as in previous years.

Other items of routine business were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm

Joe Waananen, Chairman

Gregg Patrick, Engineer