

KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

September 13, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held at their offices in Mohawk, Michigan on September 13, 2022.

Present: Commissioners Waananen, Olson and Karvonen

Staff Present: Gregg Patrick, P.E., Greg Kingstrom, P.E., Jesse Patrick, Chris Cronenworth

Guests: Commissioner Elect, Gary Bracco

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the August 9, 2022 meeting were read and approved by a motion by Commissioner Olson and supported by Commissioner Karvonen. The motion carried.

Vouchers # 28265 and # 28266 and Master Vouchers # 18-2022 and # 19-2022 in the total amount of \$333,797.58 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 Olson motioned to accept the financial statement as presented. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried.

Old Business:

GreenSand, Inc. is reviewing various business options and possibly a Public Private Partnership arrangement and will continue to seek viable reuse options for stamp sand. Parcel "A" received an offer and a counteroffer was made. On a motion by Commissioner Olson, with support from Commissioner Karvonen, the Board authorized the Engineer/Manager to complete the sale of Parcel "A" and sign any necessary documents.

Seasonal Road Policy and road listing will be updated at a public hearing held at the next meeting.

New Business:

The Engineer presented the contract from MDOT needed to access the HIP CRSAA covid relief funds totaling \$81,499.00 to make up for some of the MTF revenues lost during the pandemic. The Board reviewed the contract, and on a motion by Commissioner Karvonen, with support from Commissioner Olson, authorized the Engineer/Manager to sign the contract and submit on the Board's behalf. The motion carried.

The Engineer presented the Transportation Asset Management Compliance Plan, which includes the Road and Bridge Asset Management Plans. The Board reviewed and discussed the plans. Commissioner Karvonen motioned to adopt a resolution accepting and adopting the plans and authorizing the Engineer/Manager and Finance Director to sign the plans. Commissioner Olson

supported the motion. The motion carried. A copy of the resolution shall be made a part of these minutes.

The Engineer provided an update to the Board on the Traverse River and Gratiot River culvert lining projects. The Traverse River has one remaining culvert to line and, given the time of year, the Gratiot River crossing will be reevaluated and completed in the future.

The proposed 2023 paving projects include the remainder of Bete Gris Road with the millage and local funding and the Gay-Lac La Belle Road, from Montgomery Point Road east with 2023 LFFE, HIP CRSAA and local funding. The proposed projects will be scoped and cost estimates made for the next meeting. A Road Millage Committee will be scheduled with Engineer/Manager, Engineer and the Township Supervisors in the next few weeks. The Board members discussed their schedules for the proposed dates and times and determined they were unable to attend. On a motion by Commissioner Karvonen, with support Commissioner Olson, authorized Commissioner Elect Bracco to attend the meeting on their behalf in an information gathering, non-voting role.

The Engineer/Manager informed the Board the Methodist church located adjacent to the Road Commission property was available for purchase based on discussions held with representatives of the church. The Road Commission was offered the property prior to it going on the market. The Board directed the staff to inspect the property to determine its usefulness as an office building, employee training center and public meeting space.

The Foreman presented the Board with some options for construction zone traffic lights and rumble strips. The Board and staff discussed the merits of construction zone lights and rumble strips, including the effective use of manpower and employee safety, and concluded the lights and rumble strips should be purchased. Further research will be completed, with options and costs presented to the Board in the future.

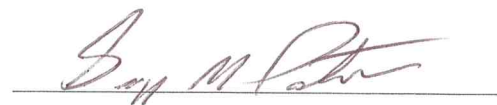
The Engineer/Manager informed the Board a letter and cost estimate were sent Representative Greg Markkanen and Senator Ed McBroom requesting special funding for reconstruction and paving Brockway Mountain Drive.

The Curtis issue from last month's meeting was investigated and no further action was required.

Other items of routine business were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.


Joe Waananen, Chairman


Gregg Patrick, Engineer