

KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

September 11, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held at their offices in Mohawk, Michigan on September 11, 2013.

Present: Commissioners Waananen, Jaaskelainen & Karvonen

Guest: Don Piche, Jacob Garrow

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M

The minutes of the August 8, 2013 regular meeting were read and approved as read on a motion by Commissioner Jaaskelainen and support from Commissioner Karvonen.

Vouchers #28297, #28298 and Master Vendor Vouchers #18-2013 & 19-2013 in the total amount of \$225,579.91 were audited by the Commissioners and the Master Vendor Voucher was signed. Commissioner Jaaskelainen moved to pay the bills. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried

The financial statement was read, discussed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Jaaskelainen and support from Commissioner Karvonen.

The Engineer presented the Board with a HIPAA Privacy Policy addendum and a revised and updated Kushner Business Agreement. The Board reviewed and discussed the documents. Commissioner Jaaskelainen motioned to approve the updated HIPAA Privacy Policy and Kushner Business Agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign them. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Engineer informed the Board that the Mohawk-Gay Road paving project is complete. The Gay-Lac La Belle Road guardrail safety project preliminary force account work is completed and guardrail installation should begin within the next week or two. The 4 TWA's are mostly completed for MDOT on US41 and M26 and summer maintenance activities will continue on the state trunklines until the end of September. Summer maintenance on county roads will continue based on immediate needs, priorities and available manpower.

The Michigan Winter Maintenance Operations Conference is scheduled for October 16-17. Plans were made to attend.

The Engineer informed the Board that an exit meeting was held with FEMA in regards to project submittals for the flooding that occurred in April and May of 2013. All flood damaged areas submitted for reimbursement have been approved and we are awaiting a determination from the State of Michigan if there will be any state emergency relief funds added to the 75% funding from FEMA. The total reimbursement should be in the range of \$45,000 to \$60,000 depending on the State match.

The Employee's Association presented a proposal to begin contract negotiations. The Board directed the Engineer and Finance Director to review the proposal with respect to the health insurance issues and determine their compatibility with the new state and federal laws governing health insurance. Future meetings will be scheduled to continue with negotiations as soon as the legal health insurance requirements are determined. A meeting with the health insurance representative, Fred Gaff, will be scheduled as soon as possible.

Other items of routine business were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

Joseph Waananen, Chairman

Gregg M. Patrick, Engineer