

January 12, 2023
Baldwin, Michigan 49304

Regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Lake was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Commissioner Haslock.

Present - Richard Haslock, *LCRC Commissioner*
Joan Runnels, *LCRC Commissioner*
Gary Truxton, *LCRC Commissioner*
Jessica LaPointe, *LCRC Finance & HR Manager*
Leroy Williams, *LCRC Manager*
Tom Smith, *LCRC Road Foreman*
Shawn MacDougall, *LCRC Road Foreman*
William VanDyke, *LCRC Engineer Tech*
Al Dailey, *LCRC Finance Assistant*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Runnels to approve the December 22, 2022 meeting minutes. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays - 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYABLES:

Motion made by Runnels to approve the Accounts Payable Voucher # 5147 for \$80,238.55. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays - 0. Motion carried. Roll call vote.

Motion made by Runnels to approve Payroll Voucher # 5146 for \$118,992.51. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays - 0. Motion carried. Roll call vote.

Motion made by Runnels to approve FSA Voucher # 5145 for \$2,078.92. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays - 0. Motion carried. Roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bruce Reed, LCRC Mechanic, requesting an extension of ½ pay to continue to January 30, 2023. Board denied.

David Bendele, Union President and Michael Moore, Union Steward requesting additional information regarding the potential ½ Pay Benefit contract

amendment. Board decided not to amend the contract.

Bendele, also wanted to address contract language regarding funeral leave.

REPORTS FROM MANAGEMENT:

FINANCE & HR MANAGER:

Audit is scheduled for the week of April 3rd.

MANAGER:

Having pizza for Christmas today.

Bid opening for pavement markings (1-26-2023)

Requesting to hire Michayla Maiville as a full-time blade truck driver.

Village of Baldwin will not need the funds for the 8th Street bridge this year due to a time conflict and moving power poles. The road commission will proceed with those funds and complete another section of M-63.

Paul Bunyan meeting – February 16, 2023

South Branch Road tree work is complete.

Bids for the furnace in engineer tech office and lunchroom came back.

Leusby went to Kankaska County Road Commission to look at a truck.

ROAD FOREMAN:

MACDOUGALL –

Crews have been busy doing a little bit of everything. Blading, trees and plowing

SMITH –

Brine packets have been sent out to townships.

EQUIPMENT SUPERINTENDENT:

ABSENT.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made by Runnels to amend the contract to reflect the desired changes to funeral leave; return with contract language at the January 26, 2023 meeting. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays - 0.

Motion made by Truxton to accept Brooks Heating bid for the replacement of the furnaces. Supported by Runnels. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays - 0.

Williams- Elk is interested in using GLC for their brine this year.

Williams- Sam from CRASIF was here for a walk through; concern about steel toed shoes.

Williams- Interest in having a company come in to manage our website. LaPointe doesn't think there is a need.

Truxton- Will be attending the Webber Township meeting and would like to discuss tree removal along Merrillville.

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILIGE:

Haslock - Everything is going good.

Truxton - Nothing. It's been an amazing winter.

Runnels - Anymore buffalo sightings?

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Runnels. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays - 0. 10:34 am

Next Meeting Date: January 26, 2023 Time: 9:00 am

Respectfully submitted by:



Jessica L. LaPointe - Secretary

Approved by:



Richard J. Haslock - Chairman



Joan Runnels - Vice Chairman



Gary Truxton - Member