

May 23, 2024
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*
Gary Truxton, *LCRC Commissioner*
Joan Runnels, *LCRC Commissioner*
William VanDyke, *Finance & HR Manager*
Leroy Williams, *Manager*
~~Shawn MacDougall, *Road Foreman*~~
Al Dailey, *Road Foreman*
~~David Lousby, *Shop Foreman*~~
Austin MacDougall, *Assistant*
Dennis Robinson, *Engineer Tech*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Runnels to approve the May 9, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Supported by Truxton.

Yeas - Haslock, Truxton, Runnels. Nays - 0.

Motion carried. Roll Call vote.

APPROVAL OF PAYABLES:

A motion was made by Truxton to approve:

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| Payroll Voucher | # 5254 | \$80,249.91 |
| Accounts Payable Voucher | # 5252A | \$7,567.75 |
| Accounts Payable Voucher | # 5252B | \$10,849.99 |
| Accounts Payable Voucher | # 5255 | \$182,971.50 |
| FSA Voucher | # 5256 | \$474.95 |

Supported by Runnels.

Yeas - Haslock, Truxton, Runnels. Nays - 0.

Motion carried. Roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Shawn Coffey asked for an explanation of the Lake County Road Commission practices used to handle weekend snowplowing, and if splitting the workforce into two shifts would be an option.

Mindy Gallentine of the Lake County Treasurer's Department presented a plaque from their appreciation of elected officials luncheon to Commissioner Runnels since Runnels was not present during the event.

REPORTS FROM MANAGEMENT:

FINANCE & HR MANAGER:

VanDyke thanked the board for sending himself and Austin MacDougall to the 2024 CRA Finance & Human Resources Conference which offers valuable information and training on current and upcoming regulations and practices.

There are a few outstanding items to work through on the 2024 Financial Statements Audit which should be wrapped up in this coming week.

MANAGER:

CRASIF has their annual nominations request out.

Miscellaneous real estate offers keep arriving for various parcels at a value so low they would never warrant consideration.

The USFS has awarded an additional \$50,000.00 to our maintenance contract, stating that they appreciate the working relationship that we have had.

There is a MDOT bid opening set for June 6, 2024, to award work for shoulder paving on US-10 near Shepherd Road.

There is a gravel source near Leroy, MI which will work nicely for road improvements in the Olga Lake area and reduce the distance for trucking.

Pursuing a gravel source in White Cloud for road improvements in the southern portion of the county.

Guardrail has been installed on the Velt Road remediation project.

ROAD FOREMAN:

MACDOUGALL - Absent.

DAILEY -

Lakola Road in Dover Township will soon be graveled.

The 2024 brining of roads continues at the rate that Michigan Chloride Sales can provide brine.

LEUSBY - Absent

ROBINSON -

Working on MISS DIG Tickets and bridge inspections, noting that some bridges have weight limit signs being stolen or vandalized.

OLD BUSINESS:

Runnels inquired about progress with estimates from Omega for culvert lining. After a site visit to the 40th Street culvert in Sweetwater Township, it was determined that this would be an ideal situation for this culvert lining solution. An estimate will be forthcoming.

Williams updated the Board on the condition of some older pieces of equipment that could be sold to be replaced with newer used units available on the state auction website.

Haslock inquired about the traffic control devices used during the Blessing of the Bikes. Williams explained that all items were returned promptly and in good order.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bids were opened at 10:00 a.m. with Stoops being the sole bidder.

Motion to table the bid awarding for blade trucks until Leusby can review the specifications. Made by Truxton. Supported by Haslock.

Yeas - Haslock, Truxton, Runnels. Nays - 0.

Motion carried. Roll Call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Shawn Coffey inquired about the years of road commission experience of each commissioner and each member of management.

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILIGE:

Haslock - Understands the importance of brine and is sorry to hear of the delays with the brine supply.

Glad to hear that the Blessing of the Bikes went well and that the process of loaning out traffic control devices went smoothly.

Truxton - Has been traveling the back roads recently and notices that they are in good shape.

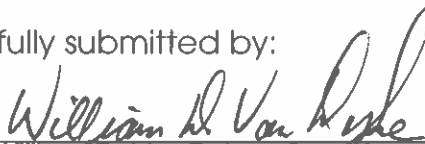
Runnels - None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Next Meeting Date: June 13, 2024, Time: 9:00 a.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Runnels. Supported by Truxton.
Yeas - Haslock, Truxton, Runnels. Nays - 0.
Motion carried 10:16 a.m. Roll Call vote.

Respectfully submitted by:



William D. VanDyke - Secretary

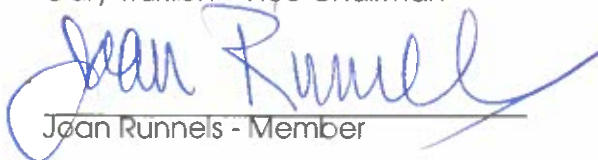
Approved by:



Richard J. Haslock - Chairman



Gary Truxton - Vice Chairman



Joan Runnels - Member

