

March 25, 2021
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 Chairman Truxton.

Present - Gary Truxton, *LCRC Commissioner*
Richard Haslock, *LCRC Commissioner*
Joan Runnels, *LCRC Commissioner*
Leroy Williams, *LCRC Manager*
David Leusby, *LCRC Shop Foreman*
Tom Smith, *LCRC Road Foreman*
Shawn MacDougall, *LCRC Road Foreman*
Al Dailey, *LCRC Finance and HR Assistant*

The following bills were presented and allowed for payment:

3/1	Payroll Voucher No. 5004 -----	\$	72,979.20
3/2	Material Voucher No. 5006a -----	\$	46,226.00
3/2	Material Voucher No. 5006b-----	\$	114,970.91
3/4	HRA Voucher No. 5007 -----	\$	842.17
3/15	Payroll Voucher No. 5008 -----	\$	64,056.87
3/17	Material Voucher No. 5009-----	\$	183,817.24
3/17	Material Voucher No. 5009a-----	\$	3,856.00

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Runnels to approve the February 25, 2021 meeting minutes as read. Supported by Haslock. Yeas- Haslock, Truxton and Runnels. Nays - 0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Russell McCaul updated the Board on his medical status and requested an extension on the 1/2 pay benefit.

Dave Lenkiewicz, Peacock Township resident, concerned about the outsourcing of brine in Lake County.

John Blackler questions regarding Wolf Lake Drain.

Blackler also inquired on the replacement of Wolf Lake Drive. Williams is not aware of the intent to resurface it.

Blackler informed the Board of a potentially dangerous limb around the lake.

REPORTS FROM MANAGEMENT:

FINANCE & HR MANAGER:

ABSENT.

MANAGER:

Talked to Mason County Road Commission about an app called OnX. Williams asked the Board if he could get this app on their phones for \$27.00 per year.

Jake Riggs received an award from Michigan Works.

Rural task force amount for 2022 is \$167,000. Williams would like to do an overlay on 56th Street out to Carr Settlement.

MCRC SIP information regarding personal vehicle for RC business and Open Meetings Act.

Letter from Bill Henn regarding rate increases.

Williams talked to Bill Henn in regard to Drain Commissioner.

CRA provided pictures of projects we have done in the past. Would like to do crossings on Cole Creek next year. Engineering would have to be bid out.

Letter from Elk Township thanking us for a job well done.

Have provided information to the Board on how Williams thinks the Road Commission should operate.

Putting a new road in to Webber Pit off Dog Track to make hauling crushed concrete in easier.

Cherry Valley Meeting on Tuesday. Board agrees to a three-year payment plan.

We have a blade truck driver that is voluntarily terminating employment on March 26, 2021. Williams asked for clarification on sick leave.

Would like to bring Erik Maiville on full time.

Fred Hertabees, Dover Township, inquired on an agreement to upgrade Lakola Road.

ROAD FOREMAN:

MACDOUGALL – Maintenance. Blading and tree cutting. Lots of patching. Little tree work on the highway.

SMITH – Three sets of loggers out. Two have bonded the roads.

EQUIPMENT SUPERINTENDENT:

Leusby won three bids off BidCorp.

Bucket truck, 221, is at Mobile Maintenance to be certified.

OLD BUSINESS:

Truxton would like to relax the COVID mask mandates in the office by allowing employees that have been vaccinated to not wear masks. Truxton asked about opening the office. Williams and Dailey would like to keep the office closed until April 19, 2021.

Motion made by Haslock to extend Russell McCaul's ½ benefit another 60 days. Supported by Runnels. Yeas- Truxton and Haslock. Nays – 0. Motion carried. Roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made by Runnels to add Onx to the Manager and Foreman's phones. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Truxton and Runnels. Nays – 0. Motion carried. Roll Call vote.

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILIGE:

Haslock – Drain Commissioner doesn't look good for passing it back to the county. Would like to see the county continue putting money aside for drain work especially with the new drains coming up.

Truxton - Any calls about dust?

Runnels - Would like a list of projects and start dates.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Runnels. Supported by Haslock. Yeas- Truxton and Runnels. Nays - 0. Motion carried. 10:52 am.

Next Meeting Date: April 22, 2021 Time: 9:00 am

Respectfully submitted by:


Jessica L. LaPointe - Secretary

Approved by:


Gary A. Truxton - Chairman


Richard J. Haslock - Vice Chairman


Joan Runnels - Member