

February 23, 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*
David Leusby, *LCRC Shop Foreman*
Al Dailey, *LCRC Finance Assistant*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Runnels to approve the February 9, 2023 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 # 5153a for \$39,071.15 and Voucher # 5156 for \$153,550.54, Payroll Voucher # 5155 for \$76,722.28, and FSA Voucher # 5157 for 2,583.36 Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays - 0. Motion carried. Roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jerome Miller requested leniency on the use of Baldwin Road and Foreman Rd to the north during frost laws. The board decided that it was in the county's best interest to allow heavy traffic on those roads for the construction of 8th Street Bridge. Board would like to see heavy traffic observe a speed of 35 mph.

REPORTS FROM MANAGEMENT:

FINANCE & HR MANAGER:

MERS Probation correction update; regarding a part time employee during 2017-2018.

Received a surprise bill from DT&E for the month of January.

MANAGER:

Easement from Great Lakes Energy for property of 10 ½ and Granger Rd.

March 9th meeting conflict.

Township agreements for Sauble and Elk. Board agrees.

Grant for Bio-Seal for \$20,000. Road commission must provide flaggers only.

Peacock Township – Spencer Bridge – looking for letters of support.

VanDyke has provided an estimate for the hills near the cemetery in Webber and Pleasant Plains.

ROAD FOREMAN:

MACDOUGALL –

Crew have been cutting trees and patching between plowing snow.

SMITH –

Cutting grass and pushing snow.

EQUIPMENT SUPERINTENDENT:

Went to Traverse City this morning; the roads in Lake County were the best.

Looking for 5th wheel trucks.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made by Runnels to approve the MERS Defined Benefit Plan Adoption Agreement Addendum. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays – 0. Motion carried. Roll call vote.

Motion made by Truxton to reschedule March 9, 2023 meeting to March 8, 2023. Support by Runnels. Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Truxton – Attended the Paul Bunyan meeting. Topics were electric cars, brining (mineral or oilfield), MCRCSIP costs. Spoke with Denise about the ORV bill restricting wheeled vehicles from snowmobile trails.

Runnels – concerned about recordings being started before the meeting and lasting after the meeting ends. LaPointe will consult with Wendy Hardt from MCRCSIP for next meeting.

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILIGE:

Haslock –Everyone is doing a great job. Wing blades have changed how we do things.

Truxton – Roads looked great this morning.

Runnels – Happy to see the roads in such great condition this morning. Better than expected.
LaPointe is doing a great job.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

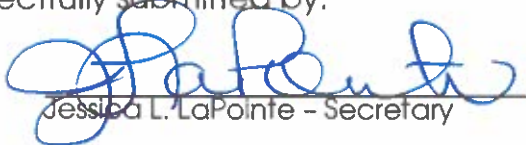
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Runnels. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Haslock, Runnels and Truxton. Nays – 0. 10:17 am

Next Meeting Date: March 8, 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