

Van Buren County Board of Road Commissioners

Wednesday, July 16, 2014

Regular Meeting - Administrative Office, Lawrence, Michigan

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on the 16th day of July, 2014 at 7:00 PM, E.D.T., the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of Van Buren met in regular session in the offices in Lawrence, Michigan.

PRESENT: Road Commissioners Askew, Boze, Kinney, Ray, and Svilpe
Engineer-Manager Lawrence B. Hummel, P.E.
Accountant Gregory M. Pardike
Highway Engineer Barry Anttila

GUESTS: County Commissioner Sue Hammond
John Vargo

Chairman Kinney called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

No additions/deletions to the Agenda.

Motion by Ray, seconded by Boze to approve the Agenda.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Askew and seconded by Ray to approve the minutes of the July 2, 2014 meeting as presented by Board Secretary Pardike.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

The Chairman opened the meeting to public comment. County Commissioner Sue Hammond brought attention to four "major" potholes on CR380 East of Breedsville between Breedsville and Jephtha Lake. Also a church in Breedsville wants to put up a sign at CR215 and M43 and wants to know how, where, etc. Staff provided her with thoughts as the sign will need to be installed outside the right-of-way, Miss Dig will need to be contacted, etc. Staff will check right-of-way and let her know.

The Board Secretary-Accountant provided a review of the operating budgets and operating fund. Motion by Ray, seconded by Svilpe to approve the following line item adjustments:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Old</u>	<u>New</u>
Revenue		
Michigan Transportation Funds	\$5,800,000.00	\$5,888,000.00
Federal Funds		
Federal Aid-Safety/HRRR	\$442,600.00	\$380,000.00
Federal Aid Bridges	\$609,550.00	\$584,150.00
Township Funds	\$2,800,000.00	\$3,200,000.00
Expenditures		
Heavy Maintenance		
Primary Roads	\$1,503,800.00	\$1,453,800.00
Local Roads	\$1,375,400.00	\$1,275,440.00
Primary Maintenance		
Special R.C. & Township	\$420,890.00	\$470,890.00
Local Maintenance		
Special R.C. & Township	\$2,150,000.00	\$2,650,000.00

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Ray, seconded by Svilpe to approve the following Road Commission Vouchers:

Voucher #1804	\$91,023.05
Voucher #1805	\$523,398.95

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Engineer-Manager updated the Board on the award of the bid for heavy maintenance on 36th Avenue in Waverly Township (Carr Drain Crossing) to Compton, Inc., the as-read low bidder. The Board requested verification that Waverly Township has been notified of the award and the project schedule.

Hummel and Pardike reviewed all bids for Tandem Axle Trucks received at previous regular meeting of the Board. Discussed specification compliance and lack thereof. Requested that Engineer-Manager be authorized to award in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission upon final clarification of bid documents between the two Western Star suppliers who most closely meet specification. Motion by Svilpe, seconded by Askew.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

The following bids were opened at 7:30 PM for a HMA Ultra Thin Overlay on Meadow Oak Trail in Antwerp Township:

Michigan Paving & Materials	\$83,482.50
Rieth-Riley Construction Co.	\$92,423.28

Motion by Ray, seconded by Askew to table all bids for review and recommendation by staff, and award by the Engineer-Manager in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

The following bids were opened at 7:40 PM for a HMA Overlay with Milling in two locations on 16th Avenue in Geneva Township:

Rieth-Riley Construction	\$144,370.75
Michigan Paving & Materials	\$136,303.80
Wyoming Asphalt, Inc.	\$156,032.10

Motion by Ray, seconded by Svilpe to table all bids for review and recommendation by staff, and award by the Engineer-Manager in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

The following bids were opened at 7:50 PM for a HMA Ultra Thin Overlay on 33rd Street in Antwerp Township:

Rieth-Riley Construction	\$145,462.88
Michigan Paving & Materials	\$127,393.00

Motion by Ray, seconded by Svilpe to table all bids for review and recommendation by staff, and award by the Engineer-Manager in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

The following bids were opened at 8:00 PM for a HMA Overlay in the Antwerp Township Hall parking lot:

Rieth-Riley Construction	\$99,571.30
Michigan Paving & Materials	\$81,309.05
Wyoming Asphalt Paving	\$75,808.00

Motion by Ray, seconded by Askew to table all bids for review and recommendation by staff, and award by the Engineer-Manager in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Upon motion by Svilpe, seconded by Askew the Official Ballot was marked for election of directors for the Association of Southern Michigan Road Commissions.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Road Commissioner's Township Meeting Attendance Report

From July 2, 2014 to present:

Askew: Covert Township, all things are going well. Geneva Township, audience member complaining that driveway is too high. Township indicated it had been two years since the project had taken place. Staff met with Supervisor Whaley and Anttila. Bangor Township, a few questions came up that will be referred to staff. South Haven Township, no complaints.

Boze: Hamilton Township, commended staff on how fast they responded to storm. Lawrence Township, audience member complained about 72nd Avenue from 46th Street to 48th Street major washouts. Some other concerns about storm damage. Hartford Township, all is well.

Kinney: Waverly Township, discussion about chip seal and fog seal program. Decatur Township, "lagoon road" project is a "go". Township may consider paving the connector/45th Street. Inquiry, CR352, status?

Ray: No meetings.

Svilpe: Antwerp Township, gave Complete Streets KATS presentation. Complaint received on Jasmine Way and Long Grove regarding "large" potholes at this intersection. Need to be fixed. Is this completed? Staff will report back to him. Alma Township, gave Complete Streets presentation. Mrs. Manning reported that 30th Street between Red Arrow Highway and 48th Avenue had multiple potholes, but this has been fixed. Porter Township, all is well. Reported on CR354. Also reported that washout on 90th Avenue by CR652 has been repaired.

No Road Commissioner requested special per diem.

Highway Engineer Barry Anttila reported on the following:

- CR652, Porter Township, final walk-through was last week. A few items still to be completed yet as restoration.
- CR354, Porter Township, bids let last Friday. Approximately 20% under bid.
- Several projects are being finalized for bid packages in coming month.
- 36th Avenue, Waverly Township, awarded. Scheduling a pre-construction meeting in the coming week.
- 76th Avenue, Decatur Township, awarded. Paving completed. Final restoration still to be completed.

Engineer-Manager Update(s):

- Southwestern Road Commission Council meeting on August 11, 2014 at 12 noon, Muskegon, MI.
- Northern and Southern Michigan CRC Joint Conference, September 3-5, Shanty Creek Resort.
- Complaints regarding crop obstructing vision. Staff will provide notice by mail to farmer/property owner that removal is being scheduled.
- Mechanic update.
- Judy Loomis' request for four-way stop on CR378 at 66th Street.
- State PRIP funding allocation, CR354 (2 segments)
- Meeting with Village of Lawton regarding bond questions for possible sewer system improvements.

Legal Issues:

Three FOIA Requests (Roger Flammang, Cindy Foerster, Kalamazoo Bicycle Club).

A motion was made by Askew and seconded by Boze to adjourn the Call of the Chair at 9:03 PM.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Secretary

Chairman