

## Van Buren County Board of Road Commissioners

Wednesday, August 6, 2014  
Regular Meeting - Administrative Office, Lawrence, Michigan

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 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 (arrived at 7:25 PM), Boze, Kinney, Ray, and Svilpe  
Engineer-Manager Lawrence B. Hummel, P.E.  
Accountant Gregory M. Pardike  
Highway Engineer Barry Anttila

GUESTS: County Commissioner 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: 4  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 1  
MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Ray and seconded by Boze to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2014 meeting as presented by Board Secretary Pardike.

AYES: 4  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 1  
MOTION CARRIED.

The Chairman opened the meeting to public comment. None was received.

The Board Secretary-Accountant provided a budget review. All bills are current through today's date; Operating Fund current through July 31<sup>st</sup>. Received August MTF, but funds are not included those figures. MTF up approximately \$50,000 over last year. Most expenditures in the current voucher are related to sealcoat operations.

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

Voucher #1806	\$94,098.72
Voucher #1807	\$95,671.97
Voucher #1807-A	\$649,895.39

AYES: 4  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 1  
MOTION CARRIED.

Engineer-Manager Hummel updated the Board on the award of bids to as-read low bidders as follows:

- Antwerp Township Parking Lot, Wyoming Asphalt (\$75,808.00)
- 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Antwerp Township, MI Paving & Materials (\$127,393.00)
- 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Geneva Township, MI Paving & Materials (\$136,303.80)
- Meadow Oak Trail, Antwerp Township, MI Paving & Materials (\$83,482.50)

Motion by Ray, seconded by Svilpe to adopt the following Resolution:

### **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Engineer-Manager of the Van Buren County Road

Commission, Lawrence B. Hummel, P.E., and the Board Secretary-Accountant of the Van Buren County Road Commission, Gregory M. Pardike, are hereby authorized to execute M.D.O.T. Contract No.14-5435; Control Section STH 80609; Job No. 119602C:

**The performance of preliminary engineering activities for right-turn lane and rumble strip installation work at the intersection of County Road 388 (Phoenix Road) and County Road 687 (62<sup>nd</sup> Street); and all together with necessary related work.**

AYES: 4  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 1  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Motion by Svilpe, seconded by Ray to authorize the Engineer-Manager and Board Secretary-Accountant to execute Preliminary Engineering Contract with Wightman & Associates, Inc. for work on CR388 at CR687.

AYES: 4  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 1  
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Ray, seconded by Svilpe to adopt the following Resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Engineer-Manager of the Van Buren County Road Commission, Lawrence B. Hummel, P.E., and the Board Secretary-Accountant of the Van Buren County Road Commission, Gregory M. Pardike, are hereby authorized to execute M.D.O.T. Contract No. 14-5433; Control Section EDDF 80555; Job No. 116598A:

**Hot mix asphalt resurfacing work along County Road 352 from 48<sup>th</sup> Street to the north village limits of Decatur; including trenching, concrete curb and gutter, guardrail, and sign upgrading work; and all together with necessary related work.**

AYES: 4  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 1  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Motion by Ray, seconded by Svilpe to adopt the following Resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Engineer-Manager of the Van Buren County Road Commission, Lawrence B. Hummel, P.E., is hereby authorized to execute the M.D.O.T. Contract establishing the amount of the allocation from the Priority Roads Investment Program (PRIP) to the Van Buren County Road Commission for completion of improvements to CR354 from 29<sup>th</sup> Street to 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The work items will include widening shoulders and resurfacing.

AYES: 4  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 1  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Motion by Ray, seconded by Svilpe to adopt the following Resolution:

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BE IT RESOLVED: That the Engineer-Manager of the Van Buren County Road Commission, Lawrence B. Hummel, P.E., is hereby authorized to execute the M.D.O.T. Contract establishing the amount of the allocation from the Priority Roads Investment Program (PRIP) to the Van Buren County Road Commission for completion of improvements to Blue Star Highway from BL-196/M-140 to Phoenix Rd/CR388. The work items will include mill and fill of existing roadway cross-section (resurfacing).

AYES: 4  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 1  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Board Secretary-Accountant Pardike provided the Board with information on several proposals for retiree Medicare (over 65) plans. General "Question and Answer" was had with several Commissioners.

**Road Commissioner's Township Meeting Attendance Report:** From July 16, 2014 to present:

Boze: No meetings.

Kinney: No meetings.

Ray: No meetings.

Svilpe: No meetings.

Road Commissioner special request for per diem: None.

(Commissioner Askew arrived).

The following bids were received at 7:30 PM for the removal and replacement of the Lawrence Garage Roof:

Division 7 Contracting	\$113,690.00
Weather Shield Roofing Systems	\$127,758.00
Allied Roofing & Siding	\$88,898.00
Hoekstra Roofing Company	\$96,602.00

Motion by Ray, seconded by Svilpe to table for review 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 received at 7:40 PM for heavy maintenance on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Bloomingdale Township:

William Dickerson Trucking	\$61,329.60
USA Earthworks	\$60,231.00
Brad Thomas Excavating	\$47,868.50
Compton, Inc.	\$81,475.00

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

AYES: 5  
NAYS: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion regarding a proposal from Aleksich Excavating to extend the Contract Snow Plowing bid through the 2017-2018 snow plowing season was held. Motion by Svilpe, seconded by Ray to approve the bid extension.

AYES: 5  
NAYS: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Svilpe, seconded by Ray to approve a proposal from J.C. and Sons, Inc. To extend Contract Snow Plowing bid through 2016-2017 snow plowing season.

AYES: 5  
NAYS: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

### **Construction Update**

Highway Engineer Barry Anttila reported on the following:

- 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Antwerp Township, paving complete. Restoration starting soon.
- Parking lot, Antwerp Township, Wyoming Asphalt to start in a few weeks.
- Meadow Oak Trail, Antwerp Township, hope to schedule within next two weeks.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Geneva Township, no schedule yet.
- 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Bangor Township, holding to schedule for letting later in the month.
- CR354, Porter Township, let in July, waiting for award so we can schedule a meeting for schedule.
- CR376, Bangor Township, surveying.
- Working on site plan review for Goodwill and Aldi's in South Haven Township.
- 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Waverly Township, began locating utilities today. Tree work hopefully yet this week.
- Human Services (Hartford) and Sheriff's lot (Paw Paw), estimates delivered to Jeff Hall, Van Buren County.
- CR687 South of I94, emergency pipe replacement, scheduled for first of next week.
- 62<sup>nd</sup> Street near 68<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Hartford Township, twin 36" culvert replacement, waiting for township signed sheet.
- 70<sup>th</sup> Street, Hartford (North of Red Arrow Highway), tree work underway.

Engineer-Manager's Update:

- MCRC SIP Employment Practices Liability Training, September 16 from 8-12 Noon at the Kalamazoo County Road Commission.
- Sealcoat update.
- Service Request; use forms and fill out completely in order to properly process requests or have the Requestor contact the Van Buren County Road Commission directly. Reviewed problems with second-hand Service Requests that lack proper information.
- Truck bid awarded to D&K Truck Company (Truck & Trailer Specialties buildup).

Engineer-Manager presented a letter to the legislators thanking them for assisting to re-allocate Priority Road Improvement Program (PRIP) funds. Motion by Boze, seconded by Svilpe to approve.

AYES: 5  
NAYS: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

Legal Issues:

Engineer-Manager updated the Board on multiple issues across the County.

A motion was made by Svilpe, seconded by Ray to adjourn the Call of the Chair at 8:40 PM.

AYES: 5  
NAYS: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

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Secretary

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Chairman