

Van Buren County Board of Road Commissioners

September 20, 2017

Regular Meeting - Administrative Office, Lawrence, Michigan

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on the 20th day of September, 2017 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 and Ray
Engineer-Manager Lawrence B. Hummel, P.E.
Board Secretary-Finance Director Linnea Rader

ABSENT: Road Commissioner Svilpe

GUESTS: John Vargo
County Commissioner Kurt Doroh

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

No additions/deletions to the Agenda.

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

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

Moved by Kinney and seconded by Boze to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2017 meeting as presented by Board Secretary Rader.

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

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

Board Secretary-Finance Director Rader provided a review of the operating budgets and operating fund. Final CM90 invoice, final billing for Red Arrow Highway at 70th Street, and dust control invoices in today's voucher. No major changes since the last meeting.

Moved by Boze, seconded by Kinney to approve the following Road Commission Vouchers:

Voucher #1991	\$97,464.09
Voucher #1992	\$519,309.00

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

The following bids were received at 7:30 PM for Cold Patching Mix:

Saginaw Paving Company	QPR	\$100.00/ton
Unique Paving Materials	UPM	\$113.50/ton delivered (min 50 ton load)
		\$98.00/ton picked up in Jonesville
		\$90.00/ton blended on site (400 ton min)
Lakeland Asphalt Corp.	CP6	\$85.50/ton delivered
		\$81.50/ton picked up

Motion by Ray, seconded by Boze to authorize the Engineer-Manager to award the bid, in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission, upon review and tabulation by Staff.

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

The following proposals were received for Ice Control Sand:

Contractor	Lawrence Garage (per ton)	Bloomingtondale Garage (per ton)	Bangor Garage (per ton)
Kusmack Excavating	\$7.10	No Bid	No Bid
SW Transport Co.	\$7.64	\$6.11	\$6.98
Aggregate Industries	\$7.45	\$6.20	\$7.15
R. Smith & Sons	\$6.99	\$5.99	\$6.63

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

Engineer-Manager updated the Board on the award of the Underbody Scraper Blade bid to all bidders, with the primary supplier being St. Regis Culvert, in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission.

Engineer-Manager updated the Board on the award of the Contract Snow Plowing bid for the 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20 seasons to J.C. & Sons (Groups A and C), in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission. Group B was awarded to Advantage Outdoor Services for the 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20 seasons subject to verification of the purchase of an additional truck with an underbody blade by October 9, 2017, in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission.

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

RESOLUTION 2017-22

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Engineer-Manager of the Van Buren County Road Commission, Lawrence B. Hummel, P.E., and the Finance Director of the Van Buren County Road Commission, Linnea Rader, are hereby authorized to execute M.D.O.T. Contract No. 17-5380; Control Section: STL 80555; TAL 80059; Job No: 123771A; 131061A:

Part A - STL 80555; JOB #123771A; STP 1780(013); RT 0713: Hot mix asphalt resurfacing work along County Road 687 from County Road 352 northerly to Highway I-94; including widening and trenching work; and all together with necessary related work.

PART B - TAL 80059; JOB #131061A; TAP 1780(012); HK 1607: Hot mix asphalt resurfacing work along County Road 687 from County Road 352 northerly to Highway I-94; including shoulder widening and trenching work; and all together with necessary related work.

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

Engineer-Manager Hummel discussed with the Board the results of the Evergreen Bluff Revetment project. Hummel recommended that the Board reject all bids and re-bid the project as soon as possible. Motion by Ray, seconded by Boze.

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

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

**RESOLUTION #2017-23 - CERTIFICATION OF BOARDMAN AVENUE,
SOUTH HAVEN TOWNSHIP, AS A COUNTY LOCAL ROAD**

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of Van Buren, Michigan, held in the offices of the Board, 325 West James Street, Lawrence, Michigan, on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 it was moved by Commissioner Chester M. Ray, and seconded by Commissioner Reginald D. Boze to adopt the following Resolution:

IT IS RESOLVED THAT Boardman Avenue, also known as Chambers Street, being located within the bounds of C.O. Monroe's Subdivision in the Northeast Corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 11, Town 1 South, Range 17 West, South Haven Township, Van Buren County, Michigan, beginning at the Centerline of Cherry Street and continuing East for 792' be adopted into the County Road System

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that this portion of Highway has a defined line, has been used and traveled by the public for 40 plus years, without interruption, in an open, notorious and exclusive public manner, and that the road was used and worked on by public authorities.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the above-described roadway known as Chambers Street (Boardman Avenue) be, and the same is hereby certified as a County Local Road.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Van Buren, served by first class mail upon the Clerk of the Township of South Haven, and also published once each week for three (3) successive weeks in the *Courier-Leader*, a newspaper printed and circulated in the County.

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

Engineer-Manager discussed with the Board the status of Great Lakes Chloride's offer and Geneva Township's rejection. Board discussed with staff what could transpire. Staff will discuss the issue again with the Township and work towards a resolution.

Discussion held regarding the City of South Haven's request to transfer jurisdiction of Phoenix Road/CR388 from 73rd Street to 71½ Street. On a motion by Ray, seconded by Boze, the Board authorized the Engineer-Manager and staff to move forward with completing the transfer agreement with the City.

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

Motion by Ray, seconded by Boze to authorize the Engineer-Manager to sign the Certificate of Bond Proceeds for Fifth Third Bank.

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

Road Commissioner's Township Meeting Attendance Report

From September 6th to present:

Askew: Bangor Township, discussion on request for rumble strips for CR687 in advance of curves near Merriman Lake, and request for guardrail installation. Staff will review and make recommendations. Geneva Township, previous dust control application and billing therefore was the main topic of discussion. Covert Township, passed resolution for heavy maintenance work on CR376. Attended the County Road Association Northern and Southern Annual Meeting. Commissioner Askew was appointed/voted into Southern Association Board.

Boze: Hamilton Township, asked about Lake of the Woods landing DNR issue. Discussed trap rock sealcoat comparison. Lawrence Township, discussed trap rock sealcoat comparison. Request for gravel road scraping. Hartford Township, discussed trap rock sealcoat comparison. Updated on CR687 North of City completion.

Kinney: Waverly Township, asked about 2018 use of trap rock. Complained about CR665 patching. Paw Paw Township, Treasurer wanted speed limit signs on 35.50th Street. Staff will review service request. Bushes and plants on CR374 at 45th Street. Requested follow up on this. Staff will get an update to township. Decatur Township, happy with 78th Avenue project pricing. Happy with sealcoat and fog seal in the township.

Ray: No meetings.

Commissioner Doroh reported on Michigan Municipal League meeting on the 19th in Paw Paw. He will supply details to the Board when he gets it collected. Michigan is last in the country in state revenue sharing back to the local governments.

Commissioner Askew requested a special per diem for his attendance at the Northern/Southern Annual Meeting. Motion by Boze, seconded by Ray to approve.

AYES: 3
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1
ABSTAIN: 1
MOTION CARRIED.

Engineer-Manager Hummel reported on the following:

- CR380, completed crush and shape. Contractor will be shaping and applying dust control again Monday.
- CR352, gravel added. Crush and shape scheduled for Friday and Saturday.
- Fog seal has a couple of days left to go. Geneva subdivisions and Bloomingdale subdivision.
- CR687 North of Hartford, still on track for end of the month.
- Blue Star Highway project is underway.
- CR653 Box Culvert, shop drawings have been approved.

Engineer-Manager Update(s):

- Covert Township Funding Resolution for work on CR376 from M-140 Highway East to 72nd Street.
- Primary Road Program, interpretation of statute regarding millage.
- Staff restructuring.
- Vacation.

Legal Issues:

Update regarding Kincaid.

A motion was made by Ray and seconded by Boze to adjourn the Call of the Chair at 8:46 PM.

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

Secretary

Chairman