

Van Buren County Board of Road Commissioners

Wednesday, May 7, 2014
Regular Meeting - Administrative Office, Lawrence, Michigan

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on the 7th day of May, 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: John Vargo, Hartford Township Resident

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

No additions/deletions to the Agenda.

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

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Svilpe and seconded by Askew to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2014 meeting as presented by Board Secretary Pardike.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

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

Recommendation by Board Secretary-Accountant Pardike to approve the draft 97th Annual Report of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Van Buren County for the year ending December 31, 2013. Motion by Askew, seconded by Ray.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Budget review by Board Secretary-Accountant Pardike. May MTF check was up approximately 2% and up for the year-to-date approximately \$35,000. Crews are out patching so significant expenditures for materials and labor are showing up in the vouchers. Gravel resurfacing is underway. Nothing out of the ordinary for this time of the year.

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

Voucher #1793	\$97,988.00
Voucher #1794	\$106,319.80
Voucher #1795	\$153,858.96

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Ray, seconded by Svilpe to approve the Request for Engineering Reimbursement to the Michigan Department of Transportation.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Engineer-Manager updated the Board on the award of 22A Gravel Resurfacing bid to all bidders with the primary supplier being the lowest responsible bidder, in the best interest of the Van Buren County Road Commission.

Motion by Ray, seconded by Askew 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 Revised Corrective Action Plan for Federal-Aid Construction Projects between Michigan Department of Transportation and Van Buren County Road Commission, together with any and all corresponding documents.

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Road Commissioner's Township Meeting Attendance Report

From April 17th to present:

Askew: Reviewed CR687 timber bridge in Geneva. Per: Anttila, as soon as the Van Buren County Road Commission excavator is repaired the finish work and paving will be completed.

Boze: Attended Keeler Township Board Meeting. Finalizing sealcoat program. CR687 is "rough".

Kinney: Attended Waverly Township Board Meeting. Paul Schauer, resident, brought complaint of needing to remove and/or trim trees along 40th Street in township. Per: Tony Millek, road tour to be scheduled soon. Township approved Carr Drain project. Have Superintendent relay message to Millek that the Van Buren County Road Commission does not check frost depths, so no data specific to their township. A question came up on guardrail repair on 38th Avenue by Mrs. Danger's house. May already be repaired. Report of potholes on CR665 by 44th Avenue. Staff will review if not already repaired. Questioned about rumor that the Van Buren County Road Commission was contracting out its pothole patching work. This rumor is not accurate. Attended Decatur Township Road Committee Meeting, will perform a field review to be sure they are putting their money to best use, so project sheets will be delayed until then.

Ray: No meetings.

Svilpe: No township meetings. Attended KATS Meeting.

Road Commissioner's special request for per diem. None.

Highway Engineer Barry Anttila reported on the following:

- 1st paving project will have bid opening at next meeting.
- Guardrail contractor has been working this last week making progress on the list.
- Local bridge funding applications submitted.
- Township estimates completed. A few requests for changes have come in so staff will be working on these to get turned around very soon.
- Working on an encroachment issue in Lawrence Township.
- Review the road system for needed "mill and fill" locations for failing top course paving.

Engineer-Manager Update(s):

- Reviewed proposed list of roads to mill to gravel
- Bernie Sherburn issue
- Update regarding road funding package
- KATS Complete Streets

Legal Issues:

Reviewed Complaint filed for modifying the plat of the Village of Irvington, Geneva Township.

Engineer-Manager reviewed a proposed Permissive Use Agreement with Troy and Jennifer Sitar with the Board and asked for action on the issue. Board took action to approve the request for an encroachment. Motion by Ray, seconded by Askew.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Update regarding Boersen Farms Ag, LLC proposed Agreement.

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

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Secretary

Chairman