

# KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

April 13, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held at their offices in Mohawk, Michigan on April 13, 2021.

Present: Commissioners Waananen, Olson and Karvonen

Guests:

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm

The minutes of the March 9, 2021 meeting were read and approved by a motion by Commissioner Karvonen and supported by Commissioner Olson. The motion carried on a roll call vote of Ayes – Waananen, Olson, Karvonen; Nays – None.

Vouchers # 28231 and # 28232 and Master Vouchers # 07-2021, # 08-2021 in the total amount of \$255,268.07 were audited by the Commissioners. Commissioner Karvonen motioned to pay the bills as presented. Commissioner Olson supported the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of Ayes – Waananen, Olson, Karvonen; Nays – None.

Upon review of the monthly financial statement, the Engineer proposed to the Board transferring \$100,000.00 into the 2021 construction set aside and \$40,000.00 into the equipment set aside. Commissioner Olson motioned to transfer the Engineer recommended amounts into the set aside categories, Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of Ayes – Waananen, Olson, Karvonen; Nays – None. Commissioner Olson motioned to accept the financial statement as presented. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of Ayes – Waananen, Olson, Karvonen; Nays – None.

Old Business:

Staff will update and develop proposed plans for existing shop building exterior and new building options.

New Business:

The Engineer gave the Board updates on the 2021 construction projects. The county millage projects, Tamarack Waterworks Road and Cedar Bay Road, are scheduled to be paved in June. The Gratiot Lake Road, the federal and state funded project, will be in the MDOT May 7<sup>th</sup> letting, with paving in September or June 2022. The Central Creek (East Branch of the Eagle River) crossing on the Gratiot Lake Road has been advertised for bids, with bids due April 27<sup>th</sup> and construction set to begin in August. The estimated construction cost has increased due to the original grant estimate being 4 years old and changing from a 3-sided concrete arch with cast in place footings to a concrete box culvert due to poor soils at the footing depth, hence the \$100,000.00 transfer to 2021 construction set aside. The NFWF grant coordinator will evaluate any grant funding increase after the bids are received.

The Board reviewed and approved the resolution and installment purchase agreement for the 2021 Sno Go Snowblower in the amount of \$168,000.00 for 5 years at 2.09% a.p.r, with a \$50,000.00

down payment. Commissioner Olson motioned to adopt the resolution, approve the installment purchase agreement and authorize the Chairman and Engineer to sign the necessary documents. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of Ayes – Waananen, Olson, Karvonen; Nays – None.

The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Karvonen and supported by Commissioner Olson authorized the Chairman to sign the Act 51 Annual Report upon completion by Susan Sanford, CPA. The roll call vote is as follows: Ayes – Waananen, Olson, Karvonen; Nays – None.

The Great Lakes Council meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, in Baraga. The Final decision to have the meeting will be made in the next week or two by the Great Lakes Council President and CRA.

Other items of routine business were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm

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Joe Waananen, Chairman

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Gregg Patrick, Engineer