

KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

May 10, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held at their offices in Mohawk, Michigan on May 10, 2016.

Present: Commissioners Waananen, Karvonen & Schaefer

Guest: Don Piche, Ken Rowe

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M

The minutes of the April 12, 2016 regular meeting were read and approved as read on a motion by Commissioner Schaefer and support from Commissioner Karvonen.

Vouchers #28361, #283562 and Master Vendor Vouchers #9-2016, 10-2016 & 11-2016 in the total amount of \$287,155.11 were audited by the Commissioners and the Master Vendor Voucher was signed. Commissioner Karvonen moved to pay the bills. Commissioner Schaefer supported the motion. The motion carried.

The financial statement was read, discussed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Karvonen and support from Commissioner Schaefer.

Sealed bids were received on time from Payne & Dolan, Inc. and Bacco Construction Company the MDOT Category A grant project, No. 6 Road, and the county millage paving projects. On the No. 6 Road project, Payne & Dolan, Inc. bid \$139,636.26 and Bacco came in at \$130,725.80. On the county millage projects, Payne & Dolan, Inc. bid \$193,436.50 and Bacco bid \$172,287.50. After reviewing and discussing the bids, Commissioner Karvonen motioned to award both projects to Bacco Construction Company for the bid amounts submitted, pending further review and approval by the Engineer. Commissioner Schaefer supported the motion. The motion carried.

Ken Rowe, Road Commission Director of Finance, presented the final 2015 Act 51 annual report and audit report to the Board and provided a summary of the contents.

The Engineer informed the Board Eagle Harbor Township submitted a request to change the name of North and South Eliza Creek Road to Eliza Creek Lane. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Karvonen motioned to approve the name change from North and South Eliza Creek Road to Eliza Creek Lane. Commissioner Schaefer supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Board discussed the MDOT Engineering Reimbursement program. Commissioner Karvonen motioned to approve the reimbursement application and authorize the Board members to sign the form for submittal to MDOT. Commissioner Schaefer supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Engineer presented the 2015-2016 winter maintenance costs to the Board. The total winter maintenance cost was \$643,611 with costs to complete winter maintenance down \$52,000 over last year. This can be attributed to a decrease in normal and overtime hours needed for winter maintenance this year due to receiving 50 inches less snow than last year. The season total for this year was 222". The Board directed the Engineer to continue evaluating all winter maintenance options again for next year.

The Engineer informed the Board the MDOT maintenance contract had \$320,000 remaining for summer maintenance and an additional \$180,000 may be available for specific critical maintenance projects.

The U.P. Road Builder's summer meeting will be June 8-9, at the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge. Plans were made to attend.

The MCRCSIP annual meeting is scheduled for July 27-28 in Mt. Pleasant. Commissioner Karvonen motioned to name the Engineer as the designated voter and the Chairman as the alternate. Commissioner Schaefer supported the motion. The motion carried.

As part of the long term planning process, the Board discussed the need for eventual replacement of the current 100 year old main shop and office building. The Board directed the Engineer to begin looking into various funding options and building needs.

Other items of routine business were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Joseph Waananen, Chairman

Gregg M. Patrick, Engineer