

KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

August 8, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held at their offices in Mohawk, Michigan on August 8, 2017.

Present: Commissioners Karvonen, Schaefer & Waananen

Guest: Don Piche, Ken Rowe, Amy Moyle, Brian Sickler, Brian Bonen

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM

The minutes of the July 11, 2017 regular meeting were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Waananen and support from Commissioner Schaefer.

Vouchers #28391, #28392 and Master Vendor Vouchers #16-2017 and #17-2017 in the total amount of \$195,653.41 were audited by the Commissioners and the Master Vendor Voucher was signed. Commissioner Waananen 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 Waananen and support from Commissioner Schaefer.

Sealed bids for 22A and 23A aggregates were received from Great Lakes Mineral and B & B Contracting, Inc. The bids were opened and read aloud. Based on a review and discussion of the bid prices, the location of each pit with Great Lakes Mineral in Mohawk Sand & Gravel's pit in New Allouez and B & B Contracting's pit in Centennial Heights and subsequent haul distance, route types and traffic conditions, Commissioner Waananen motioned to purchase a minimum of 15,000 tons of 22A aggregate for \$6.95/ton on site and \$8.45/ton delivered, and 6,000 tons of 23A aggregate for \$7.14/ton on site and \$8.64/ton delivered from Great Lakes Mineral. Commissioner Schaefer supported the motion. The motion carried.

Seal bids for KCRC pickup trucks, No. 3 and No. 6, were opened and read aloud. 3 bids were received for No. 3, with the high bid at \$589 and low bid of \$501. 1 bid was received for No. 6, \$200. Commissioner Schaefer motioned to accept the high bids for both trucks from Ben Bjorn for a total price of \$789. Commissioner Waananen supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Finance Director gave an update on financing options for the construction of a new building and stabilization of the existing structure. At this time, per MCL 224.10 (5), Road Commissions can obtain installment loans for a maximum term of 15 years. The Board directed the Engineer to discuss the possibility of getting the maximum term extended to 20 or more years with Representative Scott Dianda and Senator Tom Casperson. The Board directed the Finance Director to obtain a RFP outline from our Bond Counsel, Micheal Gressen, Thrun Law, and request proposals from the local banks for 15, 20, 25 and 30 year installment loans. Other options were discussed such as working with design build contractors on a lease to own building, and setting terms more favorable to KCRC's revenue stream.

The Engineer gave the Board an update on the summer construction projects. The preliminary work on the Five Mile Point Road was completed by KCRC and Payne & Dolan, Inc. was expected to begin the crushing operation on Wednesday, August 9, with paving to follow next week. The millage projects will begin after the federal aid project is complete. The chip seal project on Cliff Drive will be completed following the millage projects. Summer maintenance projects on the MDOT trunklines will begin at the end of August and continue through the month of September.

The ASMARC/NMARC Joint Annual Meeting is scheduled for September 13 - 15 in Boyne Mountain.

The next Great Lakes Council meeting is scheduled for September 7th in Baraga. Plans were made to attend.

The Engineer informed the Board that KCRC has been invited to submit a full application for the NFWF grant for the Eliza Creek Crossings in Eagle Harbor on 6th Street and Pine Street.

Other items of routine business were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

John Karvonen, Chairman

Gregg M. Patrick, Engineer