

August 22, 2013

A regular meeting of the Roscommon County Board of Road Commissioners was held at 7:00 p.m., August 22, 2013 at the Road Commission office. Present: Chair Thomas McGinnis, Vice Chair Fred Chidester, Member Jim Porath, Member Kim Akin and Member Clinton Stauffer. Also present: Manager, Tim O'Rourke and Board Clerk Stefanie Simmons. Guests present: Krista Tacey Cater – Houghton Lake Resorter, Mary Jane and Dale Hartman - HLPOA, Brian Vaughn, Merlyn Niles, Ellen Louis, Karen Attard, Barb Stevenson, Donna Hydorn, Tracy Smith, Richard Kristof, Gerald and Janice Fetweda, and Jack McCauley.

1. Motion Akin, second Stauffer that the Agenda be approved with an addition to New Business #5 Richfield Township truck offer and Closed Session. All ayes. Motion carried.
2. Motion Chidester, second Porath that the Minutes from the Regular meeting held August 8, 2013 be approved as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried.
3. Motion Chidester, second Porath that the Minutes from the Special meeting August 8, 2013 be approved as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried.
4. Motion Akin, second Stauffer that payroll in the amount of \$67,859.94, covered by voucher #8553, be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Chidester - Aye. Porath - Aye. Stauffer – Aye, Akin – Aye, McGinnis Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion Porath, second Stauffer that bills in the amount of \$166,765.67 covered by voucher #8554, be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Stauffer - Aye. Chidester - Aye, Porath – Aye, Akin – Aye, McGinnis - Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.

5. Public Comment: None
6. Merlyn Niles presented before the Board. Discussion was held with Mr. Niles regarding the concrete chunks and encroachments at the Brown Street road end, Roscommon Township. A request was received from Roscommon Township for a price to place right of way markers at the road end. Manager O'Rourke will give Roscommon Township a price on placing markers as per Road Commission policy and wait for their reply.
7. A public hearing date was set for October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. for RCRC policy review.
8. The following Resolution was offered by Akin, second by Porath:

WHEREAS, multiple dredged holes have been identified in Houghton Lake; and

WHEREAS, a goal of the Committee identifying these dredged holes is to educate the public on the location of said dredged holes, and

WHEREAS, a goal of the Committee identifying these dredged holes is to secure permission and funding to place buoys at the dredged holes; and

WHEREAS, the Roscommon County Road Commission supports this effort;

NOW THERE BE IT RESOLVED by the Roscommon County Board of Road Commissioners supports the goals of the Committee to mark the dredged holes in Houghton Lake adjacent to its 155 identified public road ends.

Ayes: Porath, Akin, Chidester, Stauffer, McGinnis. Nays: None. Resolution declared adopted.

9. The Road Commission annual ride around has been scheduled for September 16, 2013 at 8:30 a.m..
10. Manager O'Rourke discussed the F-97 St. Helen North project slated for the 2016 season. Manager O'Rourke stated he would like to submit this revised and improved project to Rep. Rendon and Senator Booher for consideration of funding through the 2013 excess state revenue program. Board instructed Manager to submit.
11. Motion Chidester, second Porath to sign the agreement with Gerrish Township for mowing a 20' path along the Grosbeak right of way in the amount of \$3,800 plus an additional \$1000.00 annually for maintaining the path, with the RCRC share being -0-. Ayes, McGinnis, Akin, Chidester, Porath. Nays Stauffer. Motion carried.
12. Discussion was held on the decrease of the MDOT winter night patrol from three patrolmen to one. Manager O'Rourke will meet with MDOT and the other northern region road commissions on Monday
13. Offer was received from Richfield Township for the purchase of a pick up truck that the Road Commission will be putting in their upcoming sale. Road Commission's original offer was to sell to Richfield for the Kelly Blue Book value of \$11,000. Road Commission will regretfully decline the current offer from Richfield Township and ask for the \$11,000 value. If Richfield declines, the pick up will be placed in the upcoming sale.
14. Correspondence: 1) Ken Dennings – Grosbeak Boulevard mowing concerns. 2) MCRC SIP – refund notice. 3) CTT – Winter operations conference notice. 4) DNR – open house notice. 5) Department of Insurance and Financial Services – response to BCN complaint.
15. Manager's Report was presented.
16. Commissioner's Reports were given. Porath – Met with Rowe yesterday regarding the drainage district. Driving around the county found spots where our gravel work is not being compacted very well due to dry conditions. Chidester – Met with Rowe yesterday regarding the drainage district. Drove Old 27 and it is a good road north of the light. Also drove CR 100 and wondered why the gap in pavement. Manager O'Rourke explained that they had to stop at that point due to the weekend and they will be back to finish. He also drove Brown Street this evening. Akin – Questioned whether Whitetail in Denton Township is complete. Manager stated that there will be an overlay done next year. Stauffer – the employee mowing M-18 is doing a great job. McGinnis – Lake James project looks nice. Wonders when the lines are going to be painted. Manager stated painters will come back and paint after all

projects are done.

17. Public Comments: Barb Stevenson – Roscommon Township- spoke about the American Veterans Tribute wall coming to Roscommon County. Richard Kristof spoke about Brown Street road end, Roscommon Township. He stated that there is no debris on the road end, it is all erosion control material. This road end has been this way for 20 years and he feels there is no reason for boundary markers. Janice Fetweda thanked the Board for their input on Brown Street, Roscommon Township. Ellen Louis thanked the Board for approving the mowing on Grosbeak Blvd., Gerrish Township.
18. At 8:25 p.m., Chair McGinnis called for a 5 minute recess. At 8:30 p.m. Motion Akin, second Stauffer that Board enter into closed session for discussion pending litigation. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Stauffer, Akin, Chidester, Porath, McGinnis. Nays – None. Motion Carried.
19. Meeting reconvened at 8:40 p.m. Motion Akin, second Porath to allow Manager to act on the Boards behalf regarding pending litigation discussed in closed session. Motion Carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair McGinnis declared the meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.. The next regular meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., September 12, 2013, at the Road Commission Office.

(Minutes subject to Board approval)

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Stefanie Simmons, Board Clerk

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Thomas McGinnis, Chair