

September 26, 2013

A regular meeting of the Roscommon County Board of Road Commissioners was held at 7:00 p.m., September 26, 2013 at the Road Commission office. Present: Chair Thomas McGinnis, Vice Chair Fred Chidester, Member Jim Porath, Member Kim Akin, and Member Clint 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, and Fred Hoewe.

1. Motion Porath, second Chidester that the Agenda be approved with an addition to New Business #8 Night Patrol letter of understanding and Correspondence #8 White Deer thank you. All ayes. Motion carried.
2. Motion Chidester, second Akin that the Minutes from the Regular meeting held September 12, 2013 be approved as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried.
3. Motion Chidester, second Porath that the Minutes from the public hearing for Peach Road, Lyon Township, held September 12, 2013 be approved as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried
4. Motion Porath, second Chidester that the Minutes from the public hearing for roads in Hillcrest Subdivision, Lyon Township, held September 12, 2013 be approved as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried
5. Motion Akin, second Stauffer that payroll in the amount of \$68,957.73, covered by voucher #8558, be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Chidester - Aye. Porath - Aye. McGinnis – Aye. Stauffer - Aye, Akin – Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion Chidester, second Stauffer that bills in the amount of \$450,347.04 covered by voucher #8559, be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Chidester - Aye. Porath - Aye. McGinnis – Aye. Stauffer - Aye, Akin – Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.

6. Public Comment: None
7. Public hearing notice and draft policies will be distributed to the Townships, chambers, and others.
8. MDOT emergency routes were discussed. Manager will send a letter to MDOT requesting language for compensation on damaged roads be added to the agreements.
9. Abandonment Request from Gordon Harvey was presented. Mr. Harvey requests abandonment of Doeskin Drive from the junction of Bayshore, north to the dead end at Juanita Lagoon, Denton Township. A public hearing was scheduled for December 12, 2013 at 6 p.m..
10. Motion Akin, second Porath to vote Yes on the name change of the Vacationland Council to the East Central Council. All ayes. Motion carried.
11. CRAM Legislative Priorities were given to the Board.

12. A letter from Mike Kluck was received in regards to the Affordable Care Act. Fees are being waived for employers that do not provide the Marketplace notices to their employees by the October 1, 2013 deadline. Office Manager Simmons stated the RCRC has already complied.
13. Board was given the Manager's evaluation forms. Forms will be filled out and returned to Chair McGinnis for compilation before the first meeting in October. Evaluation will be held at the first meeting in October.
14. Retirement letter from Dan Kinnamon was presented to the Board. Motion Akin, second Porath to thank Dan for his 14 years of service to the Road Commission and the citizens of Roscommon County. All Ayes. Motion carried.
15. Discussion was held on the MDOT night patrol letter of understanding. Manager O'Rourke will send a letter to MDOT conveying that the RCRC rejects their initial, secondary and most recent modifications to the letter of understanding. RCRC Board requests that a mutually agreeable letter of understanding be negotiated subject to the Maintenance Contract.
16. Correspondence: 1) Muskegon Watershed – Meeting Notice 2) MDOT – Public Hearing on M-55 3 lane striping. 3) Ellen Louis – Grosbeak Blvd. mowing 4) Mika Meyers Beckett and Jones – Open Meetings Act in the digital age. 5) MCRCSIP – EPL Manual Supervisor training seminar notice. 6) Michigan Biomass – Event Notice 7) Gerrish Township – Drainage issues 8) White Deer – Thank you for the work done
17. Manager's Report was presented.
18. Commissioner's Reports were given. Porath attended the M-55 MDOT meeting. Construction jobs look good. Chidester attended the Ride Around, the RTA meeting the M-55 MDOT meeting and took a ride to look at the Doeskin abandonment request. Akin questioned if MDOT will be redistricting due to the state doing so. Stauffer Paving jobs on Old 27, CR100 and Maplehurst look good. He also attended the Ride Around. McGinnis attended the Ride Around and the M-55 MDOT meeting.
19. Public Comments: Brian Vaughn – if they are going to make M-55 a 3 lane maybe they should consider a signal at the expressway.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair McGinnis declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.. The next regular meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., October 10, 2013, at the Road Commission Office.

(Minutes subject to Board approval)

Stefanie Simmons, Board Clerk

Thomas McGinnis, Chair