

April 10, 2014

A regular meeting of the Roscommon County Board of Road Commissioners was held at 7:00 p.m., April 10, 2014 at the Road Commission office. Present: Chair Tom McGinnis, Vice Chair Fred Chidester, Kim Akin, Clint Stauffer and Jim Porath. Also present: Manager Timothy L. O'Rourke, and Board Clerk Stefanie Simmons. Guests present: Krista Tacey-Cater – Houghton Lake Resorter, Dale Hartman, Brad and Rebekah Gibson, and Glenn and Sue Gelderbloom.

1. Motion Porath, second Chidester that the Agenda be approved with an addition to New Business #4 Bridge fund resolution. All ayes. Motion carried.
2. Motion Akin, second Stauffer that Minutes from the regular meeting held March 27, 2014 be approved as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried.
3. Motion Porath, second Stauffer that payroll in the amount of \$95,022.43, covered by voucher #8588, be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Porath -Aye. Akin – Aye, Chidester – Aye. Stauffer – Aye, McGinnis – Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion Akin, second Stauffer that bills in the amount of \$259,018.02, covered by voucher #8589, be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Porath -Aye. Stauffer- Aye, Akin – Aye, Chidester – Aye. McGinnis – Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment: None.

5. Discussion was held on the Sheridan Drive Abandonment. Commissioner Akin questioned what the plans of Gerrish Township are if the Road Commission abandons? Commissioner Akin expressed her concern that Gerrish Township was not present for this discussion.

Commissioner Chidester moved for the adoption of the following Resolution, second by Commissioner Porath .

WHEREAS, the Roscommon County Board of Road Commissioners desires to abandon and discontinue all of Sheridan Drive in Gerrish Township within the plat of Woodlawn Subdivision, and

WHEREAS, the Roscommon County Board of Road Commissioners has authority, pursuant to MCL S224, MSA S9.118 to abandon all or part of a county road, and

WHEREAS, the Roscommon County Road Commissions (RCRC) procedure to abandon a road right-of-way pursuant to Act 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, MCLA 224.18, has been followed, and

WHEREAS, A Public Hearing was not held prior to the Board's decision,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Sheridan Drive within the plat of Woodlawn Subdivision, Gerrish Township, is hereby absolutely abandoned and discontinued as a public road under the jurisdiction of the Roscommon County Road Commission. All Public Utility easements and rights shall be preserved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all down roads including those named here, West Pine, Chicago Ave., Washington Ave., St. Louis Ave., Muskegon Ave., St. Lawrence Ave., and Waukegon Ave., shall be retained as public roads under the jurisdiction of the Roscommon County Road Commission,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be filed with Michigan Department of Transportation, the Michigan DNR and the Township of Gerrish.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Chidester, Porath, Stauffer, McGinnis. Nays: Akin.
RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

6. Motion Akin, second Porath to accept the staff recommendation and purchase the 2015 Freightliner 114SD from the low bidder Diesel Truck Sales in the amount of \$108,395.00 All Ayes. Motion Carried.
7. Discussion was held on the 2014/15 Safety project of F-97 living fence.
8. Motion Akin, second Porath to extend M&M Pavement Markings 2013 bid to 2014. All ayes. Motion carried.
9. Discussion was held on the first quarter budget. Manager O'Rourke reported that we are right on budget to be \$200,000 overspent.
10. Motion Porath, second Chidester to adopt a resolution for Bridge funding on Old 27 bridge over the Muskegon River. Roll Call Vote: Porath – Aye, Chidester – Aye, Akin – Aye, Stauffer – Aye, McGinnis – Aye. Motion carried.
11. Correspondence: 1) Representative Rendon – Meeting Attendance Thank you. 2) MCRCSIP – Coverage Changes. 3) Principal Retirement Plan Funding Change.
12. Manager's Report was presented.
13. Commissioner's Reports were given. Akin – questioned the traffic study to be done on Clearwater, Denton Township. RCRC wants a summer traffic count. Will be done this year. Stauffer – CR100 bike path – vehicles parking on it. Questioned how the frost is coming. Mgr. O'Rourke commented that it is coming out in parts. Was approached about the snow removal at the Lyons Club in Roscommon. The RCRC was not responsible for that snow removal or damage to the gate. Chidester – Attended the recycle meeting. Committee is asking to be allowed to dispose of alkaline batteries in the RCRC dumpster. Mgr. O'Rourke suggested to have the committee send a letter requesting such. Porath – questioned whether there is an update on the drainage districts? None at this time. Mgr. O'Rourke will send a letter to ROWE. All of the preservation work that was done this year is holding up well. He attended a meeting with MDOT and the State Police about the striping of M-55 to a 3 lane highway from US127 East. MDOT is moving forward with this plan. Suggestion to get Rep. Rendon involved. McGinnis – Had a Light Duty committee meeting prior to this meeting. The committee has come up with a draft light duty policy to be presented to the Board at the next regular Board meeting.

14. Public Comments: None.

At 8:33 p.m., Chair McGinnis declared the meeting adjourned. The next regular meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., April 24, 2014, at the Road Commission Office.

(Minutes subject to Board approval)

Stefanie Simmons, Board Clerk

Thomas McGinnis, Chair