

KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

May 8, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held at their offices in Mohawk, Michigan on March 8, 2018.

Present: Commissioners Karvonen, Schaefer & Waananen

Guests: Ken Rowe

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM

The minutes of the April 11, 2018 regular meeting were read and approved by a motion by Commissioner Waananen and supported by Commissioner Schaefer. The motion carried.

Vouchers #28408 and #28409 and Master Vendor Voucher # 7-2018 and #8-2018 in the total amount of \$283,570.20 were audited by the Commissioners and the Master Vendor Voucher was signed. Commissioner Schaefer motioned to pay the bills as presented. Commissioner Waananen supported the motion. The motion carried.

The financial statement was read, discussed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Schaefer and supported by Commissioner Waananen. The motion carried.

Old Business:

The Board discussed House Bill 5764 and its lack of movement in the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. The Engineer will contact Representative Dianda and Ed Noyola of the County Road Association to see if anything can be done. A Request for Qualifications and Financing proposals will be completed and ready to proceed when the bill passes. Other potential financial options were discussed.

The Engineer informed the Board that an application for \$5,000 feasibility grant from the Michigan Wetland Mitigation Board will be sought for preliminary costs associated with evaluating proposed wetland preservation property related to the Gay-Lac La Belle Road realignment project.

New Business:

The Engineer informed the Board that bids were received on time from Payne & Dolan, Inc. and Bacco Construction Company on April 19th for the 2018 county millage projects.

The Payne & Dolan, Inc. bid was \$339,227.80, approximately \$35,000 over budget, while the Bacco bid was \$422,818.80. After reviewing and discussing the bids for the specific projects, Commissioner Schaefer motioned to award the county millage projects to Payne & Dolan, Inc. for the bid amount of \$339,227.80, with the Road Commission covering any overages up to \$35,000 to keep the projects intact, with the understanding the Road Commission would be reimbursed from the millage funds within the next two years. Commissioner Waananen supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Finance Director informed the Board the final 2017 Act 51 annual report and audit report will be presented to the Board at the June meeting. The Other Post Employment Benefits actuarial completed by Watkins Ross was presented and the Finance Director will develop a plan to meet the future obligations and present that to the Board at the June meeting for approval.

The U.P. Road Builders Association summer meeting will be June 6-7 in Brimley, Michigan. Plans were made to attend.

The MCRCSIP annual meeting is scheduled for July 18-19 in Mt. Pleasant.

Other items of routine business were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

John Karvonen, Chairman

Gregg Patrick, Engineer