

KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

August 9, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held at their offices in Mohawk, Michigan on August 9, 2016.

Present: Commissioners Waananen, Karvonen & Schaefer

Guest: Don Piche, Ken Rowe, E.J. Tervo

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M

The minutes of the July 12, 2016 regular meeting were read and approved as read on a motion by Commissioner Karvonen and support from Commissioner Schaefer.

Vouchers #28367, #28368 and Master Vendor Vouchers #18-2016 & #19-2016 in the total amount of \$313,710.28 were audited by the Commissioners and the Master Vendor Voucher was signed. Commissioner Karvonen 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 Karvonen and support from Commissioner Schaefer.

The Board discussed the abandonment of Fourth Street in the Village of Mendota Plat, Lac La Belle. The petition was submitted and reviewed. Commissioner Karvonen motioned to adopt a resolution of abandonment for Fourth Street, from Superior Street to Water Street, approximately 0.07 miles. Commissioner Schaefer supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Finance Director provided the Board with the MERS Annual Actuarial Report for review and discussion. The Board directed Finance Director to continue with the monthly payments as previously directed and to reevaluate the plan next year in regard to the 2017 funding increase.

The Finance Director provided an update to the Board on the 2014 MODT trunkline maintenance contract audit. The Board directed the Finance Director to continue to monitor the equipment rental rates and adjust accordingly in an attempt to minimize any gains or losses within the maintenance contract budget.

The Engineer gave the Board an update on the summer construction projects and presented final cost information for the millage projects and No. 6 Road. The Gay Lac La Belle Road paving project was substantially complete on July 15th and final project close out can begin when all the required submittals are received from the contractor. Summer maintenance projects on the MDOT trunklines have begun in July and will continue through the end of September.

The ASMARC/NMARC Joint Annual Meeting is scheduled for September 14 - 16 in Boyne Falls.

The next Great Lakes Council meeting is scheduled for September 8th in Baraga. Plans were made to attend.

The Engineer informed the Board that the Rockhouse sign storage building was struck by lightning on July 21st, with damage to roof, soffit, fascia and electrical system. The Rockhouse is connected to the main Shop building via overhead wire, which carried the strike to the Shop, damaging the phone system, dusk to dawn light and the masonry block wall in the southeast corner of the building. The Engineer is working with the MCRCSIP, the claims personnel and the insurance company to resolve the matter. An electrical contractor will be providing an estimate for repairs next week and a building inspection will be completed soon.

Other items of routine business were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Joseph Waananen, Chairman

Gregg M. Patrick, Engineer