

KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

October 14, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held at their offices in Mohawk, Michigan on October 14, 2015.

Present: Commissioners Waananen, Karvonen & Schaefer

Guest: Ken Rowe, Amy Moyle, Brian Sickler

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M

The minutes of the September 9, 2015 regular meeting were read and approved as read on a motion by Commissioner Karvonen and support from Commissioner Schaefer.

Vouchers #28346, #28347 and Master Vendor Vouchers #19-2015 & 20-2015 in the total amount of \$326,074.56 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.

Aggregate bids were received from Mohawk Sand & Gravel, Pebbles, Superior Sand & Gravel, and Great Lakes Mineral and opened and read aloud. Based on a review and discussion of the bid tabulation, Commissioner Karvonen motioned to purchase a minimum of 15,000 tons of 22A aggregate for \$6.48/ton on site and \$8.77/ton delivered, and 23A aggregate for \$6.73/ton on site and \$9.02/ton delivered from Mohawk Sand & Gravel. Commissioner Schaefer supported the motion. The motion carried. Commissioner Schaefer motioned to purchase a minimum of 2,000 tons of 28B aggregate for \$15.25/ton delivered to the Mohawk Shop from Pebbles, Inc. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Martin Bonner submitted a petition for abandonment for a portion of 14th Street in Fulton. The Engineer reviewed the petition and informed the Board everything was in order and Allouez Township had no concerns with the propose abandonment. Commissioner Karvonen motioned to adopt a resolution for absolute abandonment of a portion of 14th Street in Fulton, approximately 218 feet south from the Mohawk-Gay Road. Commissioner Schaefer supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed change in CRASIF from a group fund to a mutual fund. Commissioner Schaefer motioned to adopt the non-binding resolution in support of the conversion to a mutual fund and submit to CRASIF. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried. A copy of the resolution will be made a part of these minutes.

The Engineer provided the Board with a summary of the Countywide Road Millage Committee meeting. Roads and streets selected by the Townships at the previous meeting and these were evaluated and cost estimates completed. For the next meeting, the project list will be pared down to meet the anticipated funding levels and a draft 5 year road and street improvement plan will be developed.

The Board reviewed the draft proposals for the Employees' Association from the Engineer and Finance Director. The health insurance costs, wages, the 3 years health insurance upon retirement and a new retirement plan for future employees were discussed, as well as a multi-year contract. Commissioner Schaefer motioned the Board offer the Employees' Association the offer attached as a part of these minutes. Commissioner Karvonen supported the motion. The motion carried.

The Engineer informed the Board that the next Great Lakes Council meeting is scheduled for November 5 at 9:30 a.m. in Baraga. Plans were made to attend.

The Board discussed issues related to the Mouth of the Gratiot River Area. It was pointed out the County owns that property. The Road Commission has no ownership in the property and does not have an agreement with the County to conduct any maintenance on the property.

Other items of routine business were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Joseph Waananen, Chairman

Gregg M. Patrick, Engineer