

KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Minutes

February 23, 2018

A special meeting was held at 1:00 P.M. on February 23, 2018 at KCRC office in Mohawk, MI.

Present: Commissioners Karvanen, Waananen and Schaefer

Guests: None

The Engineer and Board met to review and discuss an application for Wetland Bank funding as a possible funding method for wetland preservation if a wetland land take is done to move the Gay-Lac La Belle Road inland from an area of extreme erosion. The inland area is considered a coastal wetland and preservation must be at a 10:1 ratio, while constructing a new wetland is at 5:1 ratio. Construction wetlands can be very expensive and require long term maintenance. Preserving a wetland from future development or logging appears to be a less expensive alternative.

Commissioner Waananen motioned to authorize the Engineer and Finance Director to begin a Wetland Bank Board grant funding pre-application for wetland preservation for a potential wetland take along the Gay-Lac La Belle Road if suitable property can be found. Commissioner Schaefer supported the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 P.M.

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John Karvonen, Chairman

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Gregg M. Patrick, Engineer