

December 14, 2017

A regular meeting of the Roscommon County Board of Road Commissioners was held at 10 a.m. December 14, 2017 at the Road Commission office. Present: Jim Porath Chair, Fred Chidester Vice Chair, Clint Stauffer, Brian Vaughn and John Earley. Also present: Manager Tim O'Rourke and Board Clerk Stefanie Simmons. Guests present: Krista Tacey-Cater – Houghton Lake Resorter. Employees present were Roger Saxton, Scott Eckstorm, Neil Belanger, Tracy Turner and Art Allen.

1. Motion Chidester, second Stauffer that the Agenda be approved as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
2. Motion Stauffer, second Chidester that minutes from the regular meeting held November 9, 2017 be approved as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried.
3. Motion Chidester, second Stauffer that payroll in the amount of \$77,660.43, covered by voucher #8766, be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Stauffer Aye, Chidester Aye, Earley Aye, Vaughn Aye, Porath Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.
4. Motion Vaughn, second Stauffer that payroll in the amount of \$81,480.89, covered by voucher #8767, be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Stauffer Aye, Chidester Aye, Earley Aye, Vaughn Aye, Porath Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.
5. Motion Earley, second Stauffer that payroll in the amount of \$83,185.25, covered by voucher #8768, be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Stauffer Aye, Chidester Aye, Earley Aye, Vaughn Aye, Porath Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.
6. Motion Chidester, second Stauffer that bills in the amount of \$771,675.38, covered by voucher #8769, be approved as presented. Roll Call Vote: Chidester Aye, Stauffer Aye, Earley Aye, Vaughn Aye, Porath Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.
7. Board was informed about the bond sale.
8. Motion Vaughn, second Stauffer to approve the Amended 2017 Budget that was presented at the budget hearing at 9 a.m. Roll Call Vote: Stauffer Aye, Chidester Aye, Earley Aye, Vaughn Aye, Porath Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.
9. Motion Earley, second Chidester to adopt the proposed 2018 budget as discussed at the budget hearing at 9 a.m.. Roll Call Vote: Stauffer Aye, Chidester Aye, Earley Aye, Vaughn Aye, Porath Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.
10. Discussion was held on the 2018 meeting dates and times. Motion Vaughn, second Earley to hold 2018 meetings once a month at 7 p.m. Staff is authorized to pay the necessary bills prior to Board review. Vaughn requests that Board packets be delivered the Friday prior to the meeting. All Ayes. Motion carried.
11. Motion Chidester, second Earley to allow staff to advertise for crack sealing bids. All ayes. Motion carried.
12. Motion Earley, second Chidester to sign the engineering agreement with the Village for engineering the path on M-18 from Hilltop down the hill to town. All Ayes. Motion carried.

13. Manager's wages were discussed. Motion Chidester to give manager \$1000 raise with a \$3500 bonus. Motion failed for lack of support. Motion Vaughn, second Earley to give manager a one time \$3500 bonus. Roll Call Vote: Stauffer Aye, Chidester Aye, Earley Aye, Vaughn Aye, Porath Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.
14. Motion Chidester, second Stauffer to extend the Manager's contract by 1 year. All ayes. Motion carried.
15. Correspondence: 1) Muskegon Watershed 2) Denton – ZBA request Parker. 3) Denton – ZBA request Kellogg 4) Roads + donations 5) MDOT – RWIS information 6) LTAP – Pavement Asset management workshop 7) DEQ – transportation permitting staff changes 8) Jerry McReynolds – CR103 conditions 9) Mika Meyers – Bond Refinance IRS form 10) CRA – Neil Belanger appointment to the North Region Bridge Selection Council
16. Manager's Report was presented.
17. Commissioner's Reports were given. Vaughn – Roads looked good this a.m. Met with Mr. Anderson regarding his complaint on Siderman. Earley – Thank you to Manager O'Rourke for a job greatly done. Congratulations to Neil on his appointment to the Bridge Council. Chidester – Traveled to Petoskey and back and RCRC had the best roads. Stanley Street discussion. Manager will keep an eye on it. Porath – Also traveled out of the county and RCRC roads looked good compared. Congratulations Neil and thank you to the Manager and Staff for making the Commissioners job easy.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Porath declared the meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held at 7 p.m. January 11, 2018 at the Road Commission Office.

(Minutes subject to Board approval)

---

Stefanie E. Simmons, Board Clerk

---

Jim Porath, Chair