

**REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Iron County was held on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. in the Road Commission office at 800 W. Franklin Street, Iron River, Michigan.

Present for the meeting were Chairman Chris Sholander, Commissioners Joe Sabol, Dan Germic, Charles Battan, Ernest Schmidt, Attorney Mark Tousignant, Superintendent/Manager Doug Tomasoski, and Finance Director/Clerk Lisa Powell.

Chairman Sholander led the Pledge of Allegiance and opened the meeting recognizing Dan Germic for his Chairmanship of the last two years, for doing a good job and for keeping us on track.

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

**MINUTES TO BE APPROVED**

- a. Audit and Regular Meetings of December 9, 2014
- b. 2015 Budget Hearing of December 9, 2014
- c. Special Meeting of December 30, 2014
- d. 2015 Reorganizational Meeting of January 5, 2015

It was motioned by Schmidt, supported by Sabol, to approve the above referenced minutes.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Battan, Germic, Sholander, Schmidt and Sabol

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**DISBURSEMENTS TO BE APPROVED** The disbursements to be approved included Payrolls of \$96,219.26 Prepaid Claims of \$34,724.70, and Accounts Payables of \$120,946.19, a transfer fee of \$15.00 for a total of \$251,905.15.

It was motioned by Battan, supported by Germic, to approve the Audit Committee Report dated January 13, 2015 covering the aforementioned disbursements.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Battan, Germic, Sholander, Schmidt and Sabol

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** Superintendent Tomasoski reported on the following in addition to the written report:

- The transportation package and how the ballot proposals and the Act 51 formula are going to be put forward for the next three years was discussed.
- Task force meeting- will be here January 21, 2015 at 1pm. The prior meeting was the last week in January, will be focusing on submitting projects.

**DELEGATIONS** Ray Kudwa would like information for their March meeting for chip seal coat, he gave the Board two handouts, the first was an extensive list of questions on prior road projects, this had been presented to the Board at the last meeting and had been replied to by Superintendent Tomasoski by mail to the Supervisor, they are happy with the gravel projects and would like to finish the projects on the list and a Silverwood Drive issue with a Hebert Construction trailer, a feller buncher and damage to ditch and roadway. The Supervisor to examine the roadway and look at the possibility of charging for repair work. Tom Lesandrini commented on a good job keeping the roads open and working weekends. Dick Dryjanski asked about whether the frost readings have started. The frost was 66" on M189 at Osterland Road and 48" on M73 at Ahlbergs farm on January 5<sup>th</sup>, and MDOT asked us to start readings on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Tim Aho, new Chairman for the Iron County Board of Commissioners was in attendance to show his support.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** The Parks and Recreation Committee delegate Dan Germic was so designated by the Chairman Chris Sholander.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**CHIP SEAL PARTICIPATION PROGRAM** We will focus on primary roads. We will plan for chip sealing projects to the extent that our remaining budget allows after paying our winter season expenses. The estimates on the submitted projects are mostly done and ready to go. There is a primary list and a local list by township. The bid letting for township blacktop will go out with in a week.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**OTTAWA LAKE ROAD** from M-73 has USFS-Eastern Federal Lands Program funds available with a 20% match. The work is continuing, request in to the National Forest for formal written support.

**HERITAGE TRAIL** No news on award, there was a request for additional information, the UPPCO response on the poles in the right of way, tribal involvement from KBIC and LVD. Waiting on the official call.

**TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES WAGES** It was motioned that the temporary employees for the 2015 season wage is set at \$2.00 less than the union wage, by Commissioner Sabol, supported by Schmidt.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Battan, Sholander, Schmidt, Sabol and Germic

No Nays

Motion carried.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT** There was nothing to report.

**COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**


Commissioner Germic thanked the township representatives for coming and their input is always appreciated and glad you hold us accountable.

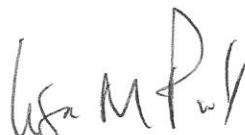
At 9:30 a.m. with no further business to come before the Board, it was motioned by Schmidt, supported by Sabol, to adjourn the regular meeting.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Motion carried.

  
Chris Sholander, Chairman

  
Lisa M. Powell, Clerk