

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Iron County was held on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. in the Road Commission office at 800 W. Franklin Street, Iron River, Michigan and available by Zoom Attendance.

Chairman Schmidt led the Pledge of Allegiance and opened the meeting.

Present for the roll call were Chairman Ernie Schmidt, Vice-Chairman Chuck Battan, Sue Clisch, Dan Germic and Ron Fralling along with Superintendent/Manager Douglas C. Tomasoski and the Finance Director/Clerk Lisa M. Powell. Note that Commissioner Dan Germic and Finance Director/Clerk Lisa M. Powell attended via Zoom. Patti Leonoff attended and was called upon by the Chairman to take roll calls and Brad Toivonen, Civil Tech ran the Zoom meeting.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

The following minutes were presented:

The minutes of the Audit and Regular meeting of December 8, 2020, the Special Meeting of December 29, 2020 and the Reorganizational Meeting of January 4, 2021.

A motion by Commissioner Clisch, support by Fralling to accept the above minutes.

Ayes: All
Nays: None
Motion carried

DISBURSEMENTS TO BE APPROVED

The disbursements to be approved included:

a. Payrolls of:	\$ 124,157.11
b. Prepaid Claims of:	217,936.79
c. Accounts Payables of:	511,920.56

Total: \$ 854,014.46

It was motioned by Commissioner Battan supported by Clisch to approve the Audit Committee Report dated December 31, 2020 covering the above disbursements.

Roll call vote: Ayes-Fralling, Germic, Battan, Clisch and Schmidt
Nays: None
Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent presented his report.

Superintendent Tomasoski announced that we are the recipient of the 2020 APAM/MDOT Asphalt Paving Award. Woo! Good work Brad Toivonen, Civil Technician/Construction Foreman! Local Roads are being submitted but not due yet. MCRC bought 3 graders. Bridge work has started from the inspections. State D funds are down. Drain Commissioner has been sent over from the County to start as of January 1, 2021.

DELEGATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

IRS MILEAGE RATE IS 56 CENTS PER MILE

FOREST ROADS FUNDS

The Forest Road Fund designations are in process to be presented next month.

CRAM BALLOT

In a motion by Commissioner Clisch with support by Frailing to cast our ballot in favor of Doug Mills, as our representative from the UPRB Conference.

Ayes: All
Nays: None
Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jon Oberlin, Bates thanks us for the sand work on the roads

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Tousignant had remarks about the Drain Commission being a significant piece of legislation and expertise will be needed to accomplish this task that the County designated for us. Mr. Tousignant will be talking with Mr. Tomasoski over the next weeks. Mr. Tousignant also touched on the Investment and Accounts held with the County and the letter from Mr. Tinti that arrived last month. Updates to both Mr. Tousignant and the Board will be given as CRA F&HR work thru the wrinkles of where the law and accountability stand on funds and transactions. The group is looking at a white paper that will help the RCs across the state answer questions that have and will continue to arise and abide by the correct interpretations of the law and Act 51 statutes.


COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

none

At 9:11 a.m. with no further business to come before the Board, it was motioned by Battan supported by Clisch, to adjourn.

Ayes: All
Nays: None
Motion carried.


Ernie Schmidt, Chairman

 CPA
Lisa M. Powell, Clerk