

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Delta County Road Commissioners was held on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. at the Main Office, 3000 32nd Avenue North, Escanaba, Michigan. The Board Meeting was accessible to the public via GoToMeeting Conference Call.

Chairman Aschbacher called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Chairman Bob Aschbacher, Vice-Chairman Randy Bjork, Commissioner Mark Asselin
Commissioner Dustin Stempki, & Commissioner Dennis Stanek.

ABSENT: None

Chairman Aschbacher moved to approve the Agenda as printed.

Chairman Aschbacher moved to approve the minutes of the February 24th, 2021 Regular Meeting as proposed. With the following correction: *"There being no further business to come before the board at this time, Vice-Chairman Bjork Aschbacher moved to adjourn the meeting..."*

Manager Jody Norman gave an administration update:

Jody briefly discussed local cities and townships will be receiving Covid Relief funds, hoping in turn the Road Commission may see some as well. Finance/HR Director Pam Peterson will have the budget squared away for the last meeting in April (4/27/21), there may or not be an amendment, depending on where everything is sitting at that time. The majority of the DCRC crew is working on the MDOT system at this time, brushing, ditching, cleaning drains, etc. It will remain this way until the roads dry out. Jody is hoping grading will start within a week or two. Bid results for the demolition of the Wells Garage have been received per Rory Mattson. Jody stated that Rory plans for the demolition to begin in the next two weeks. The proposal for Moss Lake was received by the owner, Jody is waiting for an answer at this time. Jody explained the current condition of the Road Commission's only Vac-Truck used for street sweeping. It is deteriorating and 6 years old, the plan is to get it through this summer and then replace it or possibly try to salvage parts and refurbish a newer model. Jody Norman's contract was also discussed with the Commissioners.

It was moved by Commissioner Stempki, seconded by Chairman Aschbacher to approve Bills Payable Voucher No. 2569 in the amount of \$187,644.99 & Payroll Voucher No. 69127 in the amount of \$69,329.08 as presented and reviewed.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice-Chairman Bjork – Yes
Chairman Aschbacher – Yes
Commissioner Stempki – Yes
Commissioner Stanek – Yes
Commissioner Asselin – Yes

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Vice-Chairman Bjork, seconded by Commissioner Stempki:

BE IT RESOLVED Manager Jody Norman & Engineer Nancy Roseman are approved to sign MDOT

Contract #20-5560 for hot mix asphalt overlay along 21st Road (CR 418) from CR 416 to CR 426, including shoulder, pavement marking and traffic control work; and all together with necessary related work.

Along with MDOT Contract #20-5566:

PART A – STL 21000; 205823CON; 21A0196 Hot mix asphalt wedging and overlay work along County Road 426 from County Road 523 (Boney Falls Road southerly 4.82 miles, including pavement marking and traffic control work; and all together with necessary related work.

PART B – HRRR 21000; 210339CON; 21A0183 Hot mix asphalt paving work along County Road 426 from the railroad tracks approximately 0.5 miles south of E-20 to County Road 523, including trenching, shoulder, guardrail, pavement marking, and traffic control work; and all together with necessary related work.

Roll Call:

Vice-Chairman Bjork – Yes
Chairman Aschbacher – Yes
Commissioner Stempki – Yes
Commissioner Stanek – Yes
Commissioner Asselin - Yes

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

It was moved by Vice-Chairman Bjork, seconded by Commissioner Stempki to approve Project/Material Agreements for: Brampton, Bark River & Cornell Townships.

Roll Call:

Vice-Chairman Bjork – Yes
Chairman Aschbacher – Yes
Commissioner Stempki – Yes
Commissioner Stanek – Yes
Commissioner Asselin – Yes

It was moved by Vice-Chairman Bjork, Seconded by Commissioner Stempki to approve an Employment Contract with Manager, Jody Norman.

Roll Call:

Vice-Chairman Bjork – Yes
Chairman Aschbacher – Yes
Commissioner Stempki – Yes
Commissioner Stanek – Yes
Commissioner Asselin – Yes

It was moved by Commissioner Stempki seconded by Vice-Chairman Bjork to approve and authorize the Application of Waiver and Plan for Defined Benefit Pension Retirement Systems, required by Public Act 202 of 2017. Which details steps that have been taken to reduce Delta County Road Commission's MERS Unfunded Accrued Liability.

Roll Call:

Vice-Chairman Bjork – Yes
Chairman Aschbacher – Yes
Commissioner Stempki – Yes
Commissioner Stanek – Yes
Commissioner Asselin – Yes

It was moved by Commissioner Stanek, seconded by Commissioner Asselin to approve and authorize the Delta County Road Commission to submit the following into the critical bridge program in order to seek funding:

1. CR 432 over Rapid River – Bridge Replacement
2. CR 414 over Ford River - Preventative Maintenance
3. Bundle: Preventative Maintenance
CR E-2 over Ford River
CR J-11 over Ogontz River
4. Bundle: Preventative Maintenance
CR H-36 over Squaw Creek
CR I-24 over Tacoosh River
5. CR H-42 over Rapid River – Preventative Maintenance

Roll Call:

Vice-Chairman Bjork – Yes
Chairman Aschbacher – Yes
Commissioner Stempki – Yes
Commissioner Stanek – Yes
Commissioner Asselin – Yes

Under Road Commissioner's comments Commissioner Stempki inquired about the dip in Danforth Road, Commissioner Stanek inquired about River's 22nd Rd. Commissioner Stanek gave a brief review over a recent MCRCSIP presentation he attended given by Bill Henn, Adam Tountas and Wendy Hardt.

There being no further business to come before the board at this time, Chairman Aschbacher moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 pm.

Robert Aschbacher, Chairman

Samantha Grau, Deputy County Clerk