

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Delta County Road Commissioners was held on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. at the Main Office, 3000 32nd Avenue North, Escanaba, Michigan.

Chairman Aschbacher called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Chairman Aschbacher, Vice-Chairman Stempki, Commissioner Mark Asselin, Commissioner Bjork, and Commissioner Stanek

ABSENT: None

Chairman Aschbacher moved to approve the agenda as printed.

Chairman Aschbacher moved to approve the minutes of the February 28th, 2023, Regular Meeting as proposed, pending the correction of a grammatical error.

Manager Jody Norman gave a brief admin update:

Jody began by updating the Board Members on recent Legislative Updates. He then stated the crew has stopped brushing on the MDOT system and is now cleaning up from previous brushing. On the county side of things, the crew has been patching in between inclement weather. The Road Commission has received its second shipment of salt for the year, county and state stores. Jody discussed the light grant he has been working on with Engineer Nancy Roseman, they are looking at pricing from local suppliers. Other topics discussed include: the ongoing fuel system upgrade, MERS retirement investments, and the plan to start ten-hour days once night crew is back on days.

It was moved by Vice-Chairman Stempki, seconded by Commissioner Asselin, to approve Bills Payable Voucher No. 2617 in the amount of \$342,421.76. Along with Payroll Voucher No. 69179 in the amount of \$88,458.56.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Roll Call Vote:

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

It was moved by Commissioner Asselin, seconded by Commissioner Bjork, to submit the following bridges to the local bridge program for funding:

1. Str 2125: CR 432 over the Rapid River – Replacement
2. Str 2128: CR 499 over the Sturgeon River – Preventative Maintenance (Scour Countermeasures)
3. Str 2153: CR E-2 over the Ford River – Preventative Maintenance (Multiple PM)
4. Str 2154: CR J-11 over the Ogontz River – Preventative Maintenance (Multiple PM)
5. Str 2158: CR H-36 over Squaw Creek – Preventative Maintenance (Multiple PM)

6. Str 2168: CR I-24 over the Tacoosh River – Preventative Maintenance (Multiple PM)
7. Str 2143: CR H-42 over the Rapid River – Preventative Maintenance (Multiple PM)

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

It was moved by Vice-Chairman Stempki, seconded by Commissioner Stanek, to approve the purchase the Vermeer Skidsteer.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

The following two MDOT Contract resolutions were offered by Commissioner Stanek seconded by Commissioner Bjork:

BE IT RESOLVED Manager Jody Norman & Engineer Nancy Roseman are approved to sign MDOT *Contract #23-5058* for recessed permanent pavement markings along 3rd Street (County Road 426) from Escanaba city limits northwesterly to US-2, and along 29th Street (County Road 420) from Tipperary Road to M-35; and all together with necessary related work.

BE IT RESOLVED Manager Jody Norman & Engineer Nancy Roseman are approved to sign MDOT *Contract #23-5098* for Permanent signing with reflective sheeting on the sign posts along I Road (County Road 521 and County Road 533) from US-2/US-41 to 18th Road (County Road 414), along 18th Road from I Road (County Road 533) to J Road (County Road 525), along J Road (County Road 525 and County Road 416) from 18th Road to 21st Road (County Road 418), along 21st Road (County Road 481, County Road 426 and County Road 420) from J Road (County Road 525) to 0.85 Road (County Road 531), along 0.85 Road from 21st Road (County Road 420) to M-35, along Brampton 27.5 Road (County Road 186) from M-35 to US-2/US-41, and along Forest Highway 13 from US-2 to the north Delta County line; and all together with necessary related work.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

RESOLUTIONS DECLARED ADOPTED

It was moved by Vice-Chairman Stempki, seconded by Commissioner Bjork, to approve out of County Travel for the Highway Maintenance Conference in Bay City, MI.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

It was moved by Vice-Chairman Stempki, seconded by Commissioner Asselin, to authorize Chairman Aschbacher to sign the FY 2022 Annual Financial Report (ACT 51).

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

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Under Commissioner's Comments, Vice-Chairman Stempki asked about the status of the upcoming railroad crossing project on the Danforth Hill on CR 412. Manager Jody Norman stated a specific date is not set as of yet by CN Railroad.

Delta County Board Liaison John Malnar gave an update on the County.

There being no further business to come before the board at this time, Chairman Aschbacher moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Bob Aschbacher, Chairman

Samantha Grau, Deputy County Clerk