

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Delta County Road Commissioners was held on Tuesday May 9, 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 Bob Aschbacher, Commissioner Mark Asselin, Commissioner Dennis Stanek and Vice-Chairman Dustin Stempki

ABSENT: Commissioner Randy Bjork

Chairman Aschbacher moved to approve the agenda as printed.

Chairman Aschbacher moved to approve the minutes of the April 25th, 2023, Regular Meeting as proposed.

Under Public Concerns County Board Liaison John Malnar discussed that the Michigan Association of Counties 2022-2023 Transportation & Infrastructure Platform with the Commissioners. Manager Jody Norman offered to relay the Road Commission's view in writing by the next meeting for County Board Liaison John Malnar.

Manager Jody Norman gave a brief admin update:

The MDOT budget will be increasing as the crew is sweeping roads, cleaning gutters. The crew also continues to grade the roads as long as weather permits. Culverts are being installed and paving has started as well. Jody also updated the Board on the ongoing DNR Deer issue. Investing earned interest & the cash balance was also discussed.

Policy 18 – Road Killed Deer Large Animal was discussed and will remain as is, pending an upcoming meeting regarding deer issue.

It was moved by Vice-Chairman Stempki, seconded by Commissioner Asselin, to approve Bills Payable Voucher No. 2621 in the amount of \$371,845.08. Along with Payroll Voucher No. 69183 in the amount of \$72,133.25.

Ayes – 4 Nays – 0

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Aschbacher – Yes

Commissioner Asselin – Yes

Commissioner Stanek – Yes

Vice-Chairman Stempki – Yes

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

WHEREAS, Jim Helgamo having served the Delta County Road Commission for 22 years & 1 month, retiring on May 12, 2023;

AND WHEREAS, Jim Helgamo being a dedicated public servant and has ended his career by retirement from the Delta County Road Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Delta County Road Commission pay tribute to Jim Helgamo at its regular meeting on May 9, 2023;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Jim Helgamo is herewith wished a long and happy retirement and that a copy of this resolution be made a permanent record of the Delta County Road Commission.

Ayes – 4 Nays – 0

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

It was moved by Chairman Aschbacher, seconded by Commissioner Stanek to approve the 2023 MDOT Engineering Reimbursement

Ayes – 4 Nays – 0

It was moved by Vice-Chairman Stempki, seconded by Chairman Aschbacher, to approve out of County Travel for the Finance and Human Resource Conference, May 9th-11th in Traverse City for Finance and HR Director Pam Peterson.

Ayes – 4 Nays – 0

Under Public Comments County Board Liaison John Malnar gave an update on the county.

Under Commissioner's Comments, the project for the railroad crossing at Danforth was discussed. Jody stated the project is planned for late July or early August.

There being no further business to come before the board at this time, Chairman Aschbacher moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

Bob Aschbacher, Chairman

Samantha Grau, Deputy County Clerk