

April 26, 2012

THAT the meeting was called to order by Commissioner Crane at 9:30 A.M. in the Board Room of the Livingston County Road Commission, 3535 Grand Oaks Drive, Howell, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with Act #267 of 1976.

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**C. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Stephen F. Crane  
John T. Dunleavy  
David R. Peckens

Staff Present: Michael Craine, Managing Director  
Terry Palmer, Accounting Supervisor  
Jodie Tedesco, County Highway Engineer  
Steve Wasyk, Deputy Managing Director of Operations

Others Present: Chris Behnan, Daily Press & Argus  
Tom Darling, WHMI  
David Kurtz, Tyrone Township Treasurer  
Mike Rife, Conway Township Supervisor

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve the agenda as presented.

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

**E. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (1)**

Dave Kurtz, Treasurer of Tyrone Township, addressed the Board regarding pavement maintenance requests. He encouraged the Board to consider participating in improvements to Bennett Lake Road east of White Lake Road, Hartland Road north of White Lake Road, and Denton Hill Road north of White Lake Road. He knows that staff is aware of conversation on this matter and has provided the township with estimates.

**F. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Project Agreements, Handy Township
  - Gregory Road (South of Allen Road)
  - Hogback Road (South of Grand River Avenue)(Resolution 1204-022)

Handy Township approved project agreements per estimates provided by Road Commission staff for improvements to Gregory Road south of Allen Road and Hogback Road south of Grand River Avenue. Both roadways will receive 23A natural aggregate resurfacing and limited drainage work. Some tree work will be done on Hogback Road. Staff recommended Board approval of both project agreements.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve Resolution 1204-022. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

2. **Pavement Maintenance Program**

● **Discussion**

Mr. Craine directed the Board to Jodie Tedesco's memorandum dated April 23. It includes both overlay options and preventative maintenance options for the pavement program. There was a long discussion of these options. The Board felt it was important to do the asset management projects as well as respond to the condition of Bennett Lake Road. After considerable discussion, staff was directed to determine if Tyrone Township would split the cost of the Bennett Lake Road improvements (\$80,000 for both the LCRC and Tyrone Township) and the Clyde Road preventative maintenance program for Argentine to Old US-23. In the event that sufficient funds are available, staff should prepare proposals for Strawberry Lake Road from the county line to Merrill Road and for Whitewood and Shehan Roads from McGregor Road to M-36.

3. **Local Bridge Program**

● **Box Beam Deck Overlays**

(Resolutions 1204-023, 1204-024, 1204-025)

Annually MDOT invites applications for funding under the Local Bridge Program. The Road Commission has been successful in past years in receiving funds for bridge work and currently has five bridges pending design for replacement.

Application for preventative maintenance on four bridges with side-by-side box beam construction is being recommended this year. This construction type is susceptible to transverse deck cracking due to micro-movement of the beams. A latex deck overlay would extend the useful life of these decks and protect the underlying steel. Bridges recommended for this treatment are the Hamburg Road bridge over Ore Creek, the Rushton Road bridge over Walker Drain, and the Fairlane and Marshall Road bridges over Davis Creek. Staff believes this will be an attractive bid package for contractors and recommended that the Board approve application for funding.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve Resolutions 1204-023, 1204-024, and 1204-025. (Certified Copies on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

4. **Project Agreement**

● **Clifford Road, Conrad Road to Highcrest**

Section 27, Genoa Township

(Resolution 1204-026)

Genoa Township approved a project agreement for improvements to Clifford Road from Conrad Road to Highcrest. The agreement provides for crushing and shaping the existing surface, placing approximately 3.5 inches of hot mix asphalt surfacing in two courses, and placing approximately 2 feet of hot mix asphalt shoulder backed up with hot mix asphalt millings. Staff recommended Board approval of the project.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve Resolution 1204-026. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

#### **G. INFORMATION ITEMS**

The following item was presented to the board as information only:

1. Clip Sheets (April 12-25, 2012)

#### **H. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (2)**

Mike Rife, Supervisor of Conway Township, indicated that he would like the estimated cost of overlaying Chase Lake Road between Gregory Road and Fowlerville Road. Mr. Craine indicated that staff would furnish him with another copy of that estimate. Mr. Rife also asked if the Road Commission would consider contributing roadside services for the improvement to Morley Road west of Nicholson in exchange for the township placing 4 inches of crushed limestone. Mr. Craine stated that the maintenance department would prepare an estimate for this work and attempt to determine scheduling issues. The ability to undertake this work in the near term was not likely due to schedules but that the LCRC will work with Conway Township to determine the best ways and means to accomplish this goal.

#### **I. LEGAL**

1. Case Update, Gould v LCRC
  - Closed Session Requested

Mr. Craine stated that the attorneys representing the LCRC in the matter of Gould v LCRC, Bruce Wallace and Paul Burns, were present and prepared to discuss recent developments in the case with the Board. In light of the current litigation he recommended that this discussion take place in a closed session. He informed the audience that no action would be taken on the closed session items and that the closed session was likely to take approximately one hour.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to enter into closed session at 10:01 a.m. for the sole purpose of discussing the matter of Gould v Livingston County Road Commission with Road Commission attorneys.

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to return to open session at 11:35 a.m.

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried**

#### **J. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

1. Minutes
  - a. Regular Board Meeting  
April 12, 2012

The proposed minutes of the meeting of April 12, 2012, were presented to the Board for its review and approval.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Crane, to approve the meeting minutes of April 12, 2012.

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Peckens.

**Abstained:** Commissioner Dunleavy

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

**2. Bills**

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve vouchers 072334 through 072420 in the net amount of \$584,102.18.

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

**3. Meetings Announced**

- a. Next Regular Board Meeting  
May 10, 2012 - 9:30 a.m.

**4. Financial Reports Reviewed**

- a. Cash Position Statement

**5. Miscellaneous Road Items**

Commissioner Dunleavy asked about the follow-up to Hartland Township. Steve Wasylk stated that we have contacted them, but are not aware of any further discussions.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Crane declared the meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m. Motion carried.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen F. Crane, Chairman

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Michael Craine, Managing Director