

March 27, 2014

THAT the meeting was called to order by Commissioner Dunleavy 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 Wasylik, Deputy Managing Director of Operations

Others Present: Les Andersen, Marion Township Trustee  
Chris Behnan, Daily Press & Argus  
Cam Gonzales, Tyrone Township Trustee

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Ayes: Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.  
Nays: None.  
Motion Carried.

E. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (1)

No Response

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Employee Recognition
  - Frederick Marr(Resolution 1403-015)

Fred Marr, Engineering Technician for the Livingston County Road Commission for more than 43 years, has announced his retirement. Fred has been a diligent worker, distinguishing himself in the design and construction of hundreds of road and bridge projects during his tenure. He has been a mentor to many and has demonstrated a commitment to continuous improvement of his skills and proficiency as new projects required. Board members extended their commendation and thanks to Fred for his 43 years of dedicated service and personal commitment and their best wishes for a long, happy, and healthy retirement.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Crane, to approve Resolution 1403-015. (Certified copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.  
Nays: None.  
Motion Carried.

2. Pavement Preservation Program

• Update

Mr. Craine directed the Board's attention to a handout that was distributed to those in attendance and was also shown on a large wall chart. He reminded the Board that initially \$1 million was established as a fund for road repaving. He stated that \$200,000 was to be used for routine pavement maintenance such as crack sealing and the balance was to be used for rehabilitation and resurfacing of county primary roads. The Board had directed staff to contact local communities to determine if they had any interest in participating in the program.

Mr. Craine indicated that nine townships had submitted proposals to be considered. Each of these was reviewed with the Board. Mr. Craine said that it became clear early on that this program would have to be evaluated based upon the equity of the partnership responsibilities and the maximization of investments in county primary roads. He stated that six of the nine submittals would result in a \$100,000 cash match by the Road Commission. In two cases an amount of overmatch by the township was required. He also indicated that two programs had relatively smaller township investments. He said that he felt that these investments were admirable but the return was too low and would discredit the investment in those communities required to overmatch with township funds. Accordingly, staff was recommending the following projects.

<u>Township</u>	<u>Road</u>	<u>Project Limits</u>
Brighton	Spencer Road	Buno Road to Van Amberg Road
Cohoctah	Cohoctah Road	Byron Road to Durand Road
Green Oak	Winans Lake Road	Hamburg Township Line to Rickett Road
Handy	Nicholson Road	Mason Road to Judd Road
Iosco	Bull Run Road	Unadilla Township Line to Weller Road
Iosco	Bradley Road	Lamoreaux Road to Iosco Road
Iosco	Bradley Road	Coon Lake to Lamoreaux Road
Marion	Coon Lake Road	Pingree Road to Cedar Lake Road
Oceola	Argentine Road	M-59 to Brophy Road

Mr. Craine stated that the details of each project would be reviewed with the Board at the time that project agreements were submitted for approval. Chairman Dunleavy thanked all who submitted projects for their interest.

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were presented to the Board as information only:

1. Clip Sheets (March 13-19, 2014)
2. Clip Sheets (March 20-26, 2014)

H. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (2)

Can Gonzales from Tyrone Township thanked the Board for the diligent efforts of staff on snow removal in Tyrone Township. He indicated the township shared the concern of the Road Commissioners regarding the possible impact of the deep frost on road conditions. He also indicated that the township was going to invest in a portion of Hartland Road as part of staged construction between White Lake Road and the Fenton City limits.

Mr. Gonzales also had a question whether Road Commission projects were let to bid requiring that higher labor rates be paid than what might otherwise exist in a specific market. Mr. Craine stated that the Road Commission does not require payment using either the Michigan or federal prevailing wage system when bidding its own projects. The Road Commission however does require prevailing wage certification on those projects where the funding agency has that requirement. There was brief discussion about contractor pre-qualification and bond work.

Les Andersen of Marion Township said that the "leverage ratio" in the chart regarding the pavement preservation program could be misleading to some of his township board members. Mr. Craine reviewed with Mr. Andersen what the ratio meant (that a township investment of \$100,000 with a

Road Commission investment of the same amount was a ratio of 1.00). Mr. Andersen also asked about agricultural exemptions from Frost Laws. Mr. Craine said that he would furnish information regarding the state law in this matter.

**I. LEGAL**

No Report

**J. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

**1. Minutes**

**a. Regular Board Meeting  
March 13, 2014**

The proposed minutes of the meeting of March 13, 2014, were presented to the Board for its review and approval.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve the meeting minutes of March 13, 2014.

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

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

**2. Bills**

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve vouchers 76292 through 76352 in the net amount of \$346,533.49.

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

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

**3. Meetings Announced**

**a. Next Regular Board Meeting  
April 10, 2014 - 9:30 a.m.**

**4. Financial Reports Reviewed**

**a. Cash Position Statement**

**5. Miscellaneous Road Items**

Mr. Craine informed the Board that it will be necessary to retain the services of qualified consultants for bridge construction this year due to the number of bridges to be built. He informed them that the details will be made available once inspection agreements have been prepared.

Commissioner Crane extended his thanks for information recently provided to him for a presentation to the Livingston County Builders Association.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Dunleavy declared the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m. Motion carried.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
John T. Dunleavy, Chairman

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