

March 24, 2016

THAT the meeting was called to order by Commissioner Peckens 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: Tom Barron, Equipment Supervisor
Michael Craine, Managing Director
Terry Palmer, Accounting Supervisor
Jodie Tedesco, County Highway Engineer
Steve Wasyilk, Deputy Managing Director of Operations

Others Present: Les Andersen, Marion Township Trustee
Jennifer Eberbach, Daily Press & Argus
Cam Gonzales, Tyrone Township Trustee
Danica Katnik, WHMI
Mark Moran, Michigan Cat
Christopher Robinson, AIS Construction Equipment
Lance Schumacher, Oceola Township Trustee
Robert West, Hartland Township Director of Public Works

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Crane, 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)

No response

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of MDOT Contract 16-5056
 - Roundabout, Chilson and Coon Lake Roads, Genoa Township (Resolution 1603-018)

Plans for construction of a roundabout at Chilson and Coon Lake Roads were approved by the Board in December of 2015 and submitted to the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for bidding. Subsequent to the bidding, MDOT offered a proposed contract for the project. Staff reviewed the contract and recommended approval.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve Resolution 1603-018. (Certified copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

2. Approval of Project Agreement, Deerfield Township
 - Faussett Road, Green Road to McGuire Road(Resolution 1603-019)

Deerfield Township approved a project agreement to place gravel on Faussett Road between Green and McGuire Roads. Staff recommended Board approval of the agreement as well.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve Resolution 1603-019. (Certified copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

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

3. Approval of Plans
 - Hacker Road, Golf Club Road to M-59Hartland and Oceola Townships
(Resolution 1603-020)

Staff provided the Board with excerpts from plans prepared by Tetra Tech for the project on Hacker Road. There are some remaining open issues for the project but they are expected to be resolved prior to bid letting. Staff requested Board approval of the plans and authorization to let the project to bid.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve Resolution 1603-020. (Certified copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

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

4. Capital Outlay
 - Motor Grader Acquisition(Resolution 1603-021)

Tom Barron presented the motor grader bid results. He indicated that there were differences in price and terms that could affect acquisition. He stated that although the John Deere motor grader was cheaper at the initial purchase, the higher buy-back offered by Michigan Cat made that machine lower cost on a life-cycle basis. Chairman Peckens invited the vendors to speak. Christopher Robinson of AIS Equipment stressed the cost value and service of the machine offered by AIS. Mark Moran discussed the operator comfort with the M-Series grader and the buy-back provisions offered by Michigan Cat. There was a detailed discussion by the commissioners regarding value, service life, and fleet balance. The current motor grader fleet has two Caterpillars and six John Deeres. It is expected that two of the John Deeres will be sold or traded in 2017. Ultimately, it was the consensus of the Board that the long-term capital cost of the Caterpillar grader combined with the benefits of a balanced fleet tipped the scales in favor of the proposal from Michigan Cat. Chairman Peckens thanked Mr. Moran and Mr. Robinson for attending the meeting.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Crane, to approve Resolution 1603-021. (Certified copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

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

5. **Pavement Preservation Program**
• 2016 Candidates

Jodie Tedesco presented the Board with a current list of candidate projects. She indicated that she was working with several townships that were on the list to fine-tune their proposals. She said that final recommendations would be made to the Board at its meeting of April 14.

G. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

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

1. **Clip Sheets (March 10-16, 2016)**
2. **Clip Sheets (March 17-23, 2016)**

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

Les Andersen, Trustee, Marion Township, had several questions on combining natural stone with limestone such as on Cedar Lake Road. Mr. Craine and Mr. Wasyk explained the recent positive experience that we have had with that combination. Mr. Andersen also asked about work on Norton Road between Amos and Burkhart Roads. It was his understanding that this section of road was a primary road and therefore is eligible for participation in the PPP. Mr. Craine said that it was primary and that staff had developed an estimate that would include repairing utility damage by the bridge. Les also inquired about chip seals and contractor availability. Mr. Craine said that the Road Commission had only been seeing bids from one source in recent years and that there was a lot of consolidation occurring in the industry.

Lance Schumacher, Oceola Township Trustee, asked about the status of the Eager Road bridge. Mr. Craine said that the preliminary report from the consulting engineer showed that it will be very difficult to work around the existing water main in that location. Information regarding realignment has been shared with the MHOG utility staff and further engineering work will be required. A principal concern is the effect of earthwork while leaving the water main in its current location. It could become unsupported and this would affect the water main joints.

I. **LEGAL**

No report

J. **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

1. **Minutes**

a. **Regular Board Meeting**
March 10, 2016

The proposed minutes of the meeting of March 10, 2016, were presented to the Board for its review and approval.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve the meeting minutes of March 10, 2016.

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

2. **Bills**

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Crane, to approve vouchers 80515 through 80590 in the net amount of \$612,450.70.

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

3. **Meetings Announced**

In addition to the next regular meeting, a special Board meeting to be held on April 7, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. was announced.

- a. **Next Regular Board Meeting**
April 14, 2016 - 9:30 a.m.

4. **Financial Reports Reviewed**

- a. **Cash Position Statement**
- b. **MTF Comparison Report**

5. **Miscellaneous Road Items**

Jodie Tedesco said that the Grand Oaks at Latson Road traffic signal was operating. Tree removal was ongoing on Hacker and Rushton Roads. She stated that Winans Lake Road will start back up the week of April 11.

K. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Peckens declared the meeting adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

Signed _____
David R. Peckens, Chairman

Signed _____
Michael Craine, Managing Director