

March 25, 2010

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. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: John T. Dunleavy
 David R. Peckens
 Richard I. Slayton

Staff Present: Michael Craine, Managing Director
 Kim Hiller, Utilities and Permits Engineer
 Donald Kuchnicki, Finance & Policy Director
 George Messner, Equipment Supervisor
 Jodie Tedesco, County Highway Engineer

Others Present: Chris Behnan, Daily Press & Argus
 Dan Bouwman, Truck & Trailer Specialties
 Ron Rau, Putnam Township Supervisor

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens, Slayton.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

C. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (1)

No Response

D. ACTION ITEMS

1. Evaluation of Bid Proposals
 - Tandem Axle Winter Truck Package
(Resolution 1003-016)

Mr. Craine indicated that the truck package for purchase this year included a bid for a chassis, which has been delivered, and a bid for all the components required to fit the truck for its intended purpose as a winter maintenance vehicle. He stated that George Messner had evaluated the two bid packages that had been received on this item and would make a presentation on it.

Mr. Messner provided the Board with a detailed slide presentation that included critical differences in components and exceptions taken from the bid specification. There were two bids, one from Knapheide Truck Equipment selling Henderson components, and one from Truck & Trailer Specialties selling Monroe components.

Mr. Messner detailed the differences between the units based on their hoist system, mounting height of the patrol wing, change strength on the main conveyor, front spinner assembly, and structural strength of the patrol wing components.

The review indicated that key elements of the Knapheide-Henderson proposal had not been manufactured and were only engineering blueprints at this time. In summary, staff believes that the \$8,800 difference in cost between the total upfit packages was offset by the anticipated

life cycle costs associated with some of the Henderson features. As Henderson continues to innovate in this market, there is no doubt that their equipment will become more attractive to road maintenance agencies. At this time, staff believes that the proposal of Truck & Trailer Specialties-Monroe is in the best interests of the community, particularly in light of our 15-year truck retention cycle.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Slayton, to approve Resolution 1003-016. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens, Slayton.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

2. Pavement Matching Funds
 - Argentine RoadSections 34 and 35, Deerfield Township

Mr. Craine presented a proposal that had been received from the Deerfield Township Supervisor regarding some pavement improvements to Argentine Road. Mr. Craine explained that this had been an ongoing conversation for the last two years and that the township was prepared to participate up to \$75,000 in the cost of improving the portion of Argentine Road between Allen Road and Faussett Road.

Road Commission staff viewed the road and believes that the additional half-mile in Oceola Township north of Hazard Road should be improved at the same time. The estimated cost for performing this work with base repair and wedging varied depending upon the driving surface selected. The same base work with a chip seal surface would be approximately \$200,000. A hot-mix overlay would add an additional \$50,000 to the cost.

There was broad discussion with the Board regarding the best method to select these types of projects. The Road Commission has a limited amount of funds for this purpose. There is approximately \$350,000 available after an additional budgeted \$100,000 is assigned to crack filling activities. After much discussion, it was determined that a letter would be sent to each township giving them an opportunity to look at road lengths similar to Argentine Road and determine if they were interested in matching any improvements to those roads this construction season. Staff will initiate this process and the material will be reviewed by the Board at their first April meeting.

3. Phase II of Clean Water Act
 - Description of Work Activities

Kim Hiller gave a comprehensive presentation on the new Phase II (MS4) permit requirements. The Phase II permit, issued by the MDEQ/MDNRE, authorizes the discharge of storm water from LCRC storm sewer systems into the surface waters of the state. The MDEQ/MDNRE has enhanced the requirements for this permit in an effort to force participating agencies to take on a more active role in improving the quality of Michigan's waters. The permit requires the LCRC to develop and submit an action plan by October 1, 2010. The action plan will serve as a score card to determine if the LCRC is implementing quantitative measures to assist in reducing pollutants entering the waters of the state.

There was considerable discussion on this matter. The new requirements for this permit are extensive and the subject of a class action lawsuit. Staff has begun developing an action plan with awareness that modifications may be forthcoming pending the outcome of the legal issues.

4. **2009 Act 51 Certification**
• System Mileage
(Resolution 1003-017)

Staff provided the Board with Act 51 certification maps for the year 2009. Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951 requires annual submission of additions and deletions to the road system under the control of the Livingston County Road Commission. The 2009 maps document an increase of 1.23 miles in county road length, bringing the total road length to 1,340.33. Staff recommended Board approval of the maps as submitted.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Slayton, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve Resolution 1003-017. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens, Slayton.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

E. INFORMATION ITEMS

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

1. Clip Sheets (March 11-17, 2010)
2. Clip Sheets (March 18-24, 2010)

F. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (2)

No Response

G. LEGAL

No Report

H. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. **Minutes**

- a. **Regular Board Meeting**
March 11, 2010

The proposed minutes of the meeting of March 11, 2010, were presented to the Board for its review and approval.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve the meeting minutes of March 11, 2010.

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Abstained: Commissioner Slayton

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

2. Bills

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Slayton, to approve vouchers 068093 through 068156 in the net amount of \$143,008.61.

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens, Slayton.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

3. Meetings Announced

- a. Next Regular Board Meeting
April 8, 2010 - 9:30 a.m.
- b. CRAM Commissioners' Seminar
April 11-13, 2010
Holiday Inn West Bay, Traverse City
- c. Seven County Council Quarterly Meeting
April 21, 2010 – 9:00 A.M.
Shiawassee County

4. Financial Reports Reviewed

- a. Cash Position Statement

5. Miscellaneous Road Items

Jodie Tedesco provided the Board with an update regarding projects being undertaken for Howell and Oceola Townships. She detailed the five projects that will be sent out for bid.

I. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Peckens declared the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. Motion carried.

Signed _____
David R. Peckens, Chairman

Signed _____
Michael Craine, Managing Director