

May 13, 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

Commissioners Absent: Richard I. Slayton

Staff Present: Michael Craine, Managing Director
Michael Goryl, Traffic and Safety Engineer
Donald Kuchnicki, Finance & Policy Director
Jodie Tedesco, County Highway Engineer
Steve Wasylk, Director of Operations

Others Present: Chris Behnan, Daily Press & Argus
Tom Darling, WHMI
Ron Rau, Putnam Township Supervisor
Gary Topping, Unadilla Township
Linda Topping, Unadilla Township Clerk

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

C. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (1)

No Response

D. ACTION ITEMS

1. Acceptance of Joint Project Agreement
 - Fisher Road South of Curdy RoadHowell and Oceola Townships
(Resolution 1005-023)

Steve Wasylk presented the Board with project agreements with Howell and Oceola Townships for resurfacing approximately 3,100 feet of Fisher Road south of Curdy Road. The townships have jointly undertaken improvement of this section of road and have approved the project. Staff recommends LCRC Board approval as well.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-023. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

2. **Approval of Traffic Control Order 10-004**
 - **Temporary Speed Limit, Old US-23****Brighton Township**
(Resolution 1005-024)

Mike Goryl provided Board members with a proposed resolution approving a temporary speed limit along Old US-23 in the area of Newfound Gap and Covington Drive. The temporary limit would be in place during a construction project to add a center left-turn lane. The project is scheduled to begin the week of May 10 and be completed within 60 calendar days. Staff recommended approval of the resolution.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-024. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

3. **Acceptance of Project Agreement**
 - **Stow Road between Converse Road and Township Line****Handy Township**
(Resolution 1005-025)

Handy Township officials requested resurfacing and drainage work on Stow Road between Converse Road and the township line. They approved a project agreement with the Road Commission to undertake the work, and staff recommended LCRC Board approval.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-025. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

4. **Acceptance of Project Agreement**
 - **Faussett Road between Green and McGuire Roads****Deerfield Township**
(Resolution 1005-026)

Deerfield Township officials requested resurfacing of approximately 5,400 feet of Faussett Road. They approved an agreement with the Road Commission to undertake the work, and staff recommended LCRC Board approval.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-026. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

5. **Authorization to Dispose of Assets**
 - **Disposal of Equipment****(Resolution 1005-027)**

Steve Wasylyk advised the Board that the State Surplus Auction would be held on July 31, 2010. He noted that in the past, this auction has been an excellent means for selling equipment that has reached the end of its useful service life. Staff compiled a list of such equipment for the Board's review and recommended the equipment be approved for disposal.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-027. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

6. Approval of Traffic Control Order 10-005
- Stop Signs on Coon Lake Road at Dutcher Road
Marion and Iosco Townships
(Resolution 1005-028)

Mike Goryl reviewed his memorandum to the Board outlining safety recommendations for the intersection of Coon Lake and Dutcher Roads. He indicated that due to a traffic crash pattern at this intersection, staff had already implemented a few safety measures to improve sight distance.

Currently, there are two offset intersections at this location. To further improve safety, staff recommended modifications to the south intersection to remove the curve and to form two conventional offset t-intersections. Stop signs would be placed to minimize conflicts, and there would be some re-grading of an earth bank to improve clear vision. Staff recommended that the Board approve a resolution for the new stop signs required as part of the proposed changes.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-028. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

7. Local Bridge Applications, Fiscal Year 2013
- Approval of Priorities
(Resolution 1005-029)

Mr. Craine reviewed with the commissioners the priority list for local bridge applications for funding in 2013. Commissioner Peckens recommended that the Center Road Bridge over Cranberry Creek be placed first on the list due to the location of the fire department. Commissioner Dunleavy and staff concurred with that recommendation. A discussion of individual bridge applications ensued.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-029. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

- Layton Road over East Branch of Red Cedar River
(Resolution 1005-030)

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-030. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

- **Center Road over Cranberry Creek**
(Resolution 1005-031)

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-031. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

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

- **Bennett Lake Road over North Ore Creek**
(Resolution 1005-032)

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-032. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

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

- **Cohoctah Road over Cohoctah-Deerfield Drain**
(Resolution 1005-033)

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-033. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

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

8. **Approval of MDOT Project Agreement**
- **Old US-23 and Spencer Road Signal Improvements**
Brighton Township
(Resolution 1005-034)

The Board previously approved plans and specifications for a traffic signal upgrade at Old US-23 and Spencer Roads. Staff reviewed the agreement tendered by the Michigan Department of Transportation for this project and recommended it to the Board for approval.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve Resolution 1005-034. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

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

9. **Primary Pavement Preservation Program**
- **List of Submitted Roads**

Mr. Craine presented to the Board the results of the call for projects from local governments for improvements to the pavement condition of primary roads. A total of \$1.3 million worth of projects were evaluated. Staff had prepared its summary based upon the assumption that the Road Commission would cost share with the townships on a 50/50 basis up to a Road Commission investment of \$100,000 for any specific project list.

The Road Commission's share would be approximately \$550,000. This is more than was initially budgeted but is within the reach of the current budget with some adjustments.

Ron Rau of Putnam Township reaffirmed the township's offer of \$200,000 for improvements to Patterson Lake Road. Unadilla Township was represented by Gary and Linda Topping who indicated that they were proposing a two-year investment cycle. The initial township primary road list included \$322,000 of primary road projects and \$170,000 of local road projects.

Mr. Craine indicated that timing was tight to get this program to market this year. He stated that he was requesting permission to collapse the normal timetable by circulating township project funding agreements simultaneously with advertising for bids. A nimble response by all parties will be required for this work to be accomplished in 2010.

Commissioner Peckens indicated that this was a single year program only at this point. He wanted it to be clear to everyone that the Road Commission may not be able to afford such a program in future years. Commissioner Dunleavy concurred in that statement. Jodie Tedesco indicated that there would be two separate bid proposals. One would be for the hot mix asphalt work and the other would be for the chip seal work.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to authorize staff to implement the Primary Pavement Preservation Program with the following conditions:

- This program is for the current budget year only and may not be included in future year budgets,
- Project Funding Agreement Agreements will be submitted to the Board for approval after approval by participating townships,
- Bid proposals for the work will be considered by the Board at a regular meeting or at a special meeting called for this purpose.

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

E. INFORMATION ITEMS

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

1. Clip Sheets (April 22-28, 2010)
2. Clip Sheets (April 29-May 5, 2010)
3. Clip Sheets (May 6-12, 2010)
4. 2010-2011 Winter Season Salt Bid
5. Bid Results-Howell Township Projects

F. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (2)

Gary and Linda Topping asked the Board for financial data to share with the Unadilla Township Board and the general public. Mr. Craine furnished a copy of the maintenance summary to date. A copy of the budget would be forwarded to Linda. The Toppings indicated that they were seeking assurance that the Road Commission would maintain its level of commitment to township roads and not reduce it because of participation in this program. Gary Topping stated that the township taxpayers pay an extra mill for road improvements and would be unhappy to find that Road Commission revenues were being diverted to other areas as a result of the township's participation in the program. Chairman Peckens assured them that any financial data that they wanted would be made available and that the Road Commission would maintain its current levels of effort and not reduce them because some of the needs were being met by township investment.

G. LEGAL

No Report

H. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. Minutes

a. Regular Board Meeting April 22, 2010

The proposed minutes of the meeting of April 22, 2010, were presented to the Board for its review and approval.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Peckens, to approve the meeting minutes of April 22, 2010.

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

2. Bills

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Peckens, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve vouchers 068314 through 068424 in the net amount of \$474,182.94.

Ayes: Commissioners Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

3. Meetings Announced

a. Next Regular Board Meeting May 27, 2010 - 9:30 a.m.

4. Financial Reports Reviewed

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

5. Miscellaneous Road Items

Jodie Tedesco provided the Board with an update on the two projects on Old US-23 and the Indianola special assessment district project.

I. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Peckens declared the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m. Motion carried.

Signed _____
David R. Peckens, Chairman

Signed _____
Michael Craine, Managing Director