

February 24, 2011

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

Staff Present: Michael Craine, Managing Director
Michael Goryl, Traffic and Safety Engineer
Jodie Tedesco, County Highway Engineer
Steve Wasyk, Director of Operations

Others Present: Shannon Filarecki, Hartland Township Public Works Director
Mike Rife, Conway Township Supervisor

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

C. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (1)

No Response

D. ACTION ITEMS

1. Act 51 Mileage Certification
 - Annual Street Length Approval
(Resolution 1102-007)

Mr. Craine provided a memorandum identifying additions and deletions to the county's public road system in 2010. The revisions for 2010 are modest, raising the total certified mileage to 1,340.51 miles, up 0.18 of a mile from 2009. Staff recommended Board approval of the 2010 certification maps.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Crane, to approve Resolution 1102-007. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

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

2. County Road Association of Michigan Ballot
 - Southern Association Representation

Staff presented Board members with a ballot from the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM). The ballot contained the names of candidates nominated to serve on CRAM's Board of Directors. Board members cast their ballot in support of Mr. John Hunt of Huron County.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Crane, to cast their ballot for John Hunt of Huron County to serve on CRAM's Board of Directors.

Ayes: Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

3. Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Application, 2012
 - Simulation Presentation

Each year, MDOT issues a call for projects aimed at mitigating congestion and thereby improving air quality. A special pot of money has been set aside for these types of projects. Staff has identified two possible candidates for this funding. The first is on Maltby Road at Scranton Middle School. A modern roundabout could help address the congestion issues at this location. The other project is at the intersection of Brighton and Bauer Roads in Genoa Township, adjacent to an elementary and middle school. Design work is underway to address serious congestion occurring at this location at the beginning and ending of the school day.

Mike Goryl gave a presentation on the candidate projects which included traffic simulations. There was clear improvement in the performance of a proposed roundabout at the Scranton Middle School. Staff believes that the project will have better long term capital value and roundabout expenses up to \$700,000 are funded at 100% by the CMAQ program. There also was a detailed review of the Brighton/Bauer intersection. Here, additional lanes seemed to satisfy the existing traffic problems. Inasmuch as there are a number of other community features, a topographic survey should be made prior to completing a grant application for 2013.

E. INFORMATION ITEMS

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

1. Clip Sheets (February 10-16, 2011)
2. Clip Sheets (February 17-23, 2011)
3. Congressional Budget Office Brief: "Spending and Funding for Highways"

F. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (2)

No Response

G. LEGAL

No Report

H. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. Minutes

a. Regular Board Meeting February 10, 2011

The proposed minutes of the meeting of February 10, 2011, 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 February 10, 2011.

Ayes: Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

b. Closed Session Meeting February 10, 2011

The proposed minutes of the closed session meeting of February 10, 2011, were presented to the Board for its review and approval.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve the closed session meeting minutes of February 10, 2011.

Ayes: Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

2. Bills

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve vouchers 069912 through 069982 in the net amount of \$614,279.71.

Ayes: Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy, Peckens.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

3. Meetings Announced

a. Next Regular Board Meeting March 10, 2011 - 9:30 a.m.

b. County Road Association of Michigan 2011 Highway Conference March 8-10, 2011 – Lansing, MI

4. Financial Reports Reviewed

a. Cash Position Statement

5. Miscellaneous Road Items

Jodie Tedesco provided the Board with a brief description of the status of the Latson Road bridge.

I. Closed Session to Meet with Counsel
● Gould v LCRC and Livingston County

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to enter into closed session at 10:15 a.m. for the sole purpose of discussing the matter of Gould v Livingston County Road Commission.

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

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to return to open session at 11:45 a.m.

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

The Board was informed that Livingston County was prepared to sell the North Street property for \$60,000. Staff indicated that it was likely that the county would be discharged from this litigation as they were not in title when any of the allegations by the plaintiff occurred. Accordingly, it seemed like a good fit for the Road Commission to acquire the property in order to pursue damages which occurred while it was in possession of the premises.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve Resolution 1102-008. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

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

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Peckens declared the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m. Motion carried.

Signed _____
David R. Peckens, Chairman

Signed _____
Michael Craine, Managing Director