

August 11, 2011

THAT the meeting was called to order by Commissioner Crane 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

Commissioner Absent: David R. Peckens

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

Others Present: Christopher Behnan, Daily Press and Argus  
Tom Darling, WHMI

**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.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

**C. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (1)**

No Response

**D. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Natural Beauty road Designation Recommendation
  - Teahen Road between Cowell and Bauer RoadsHamburg Township

Mr. Craine presented the Board with a summary of comments received at a public hearing held on July 11 at the Hamburg Township Hall. Mr. Craine said that two supporters of the designation of Teahen Road as a Natural Beauty Road presented their statements. A third resident couple presented their concerns about the designation. Mr. Craine informed those in attendance that the written record for the public comments would be held open until July 28. No follow-up comments were received.

Mr. Craine stated that some of the concerns that prompted the petition for designation came from recent drainage improvements to Bauer Road. He then explained some of the functional differences between Bauer Road and Teahen Road.

Staff continues to believe that the Natural Beauty Road statute is a weak law that does not provide much expect for bureaucratic requirements for property owners, agencies, and utilities. The guidelines to support the designation are highly subjective and generally in the eye of the beholder. Staff does not believe that this designation for Teahen Road would be useful or effective.

Commissioners Crane and Dunleavy discussed the designation options. Neither believed that the road needed designation. There were no proposals or action items to consider.

2. **Bid Award**
  - **Annual Bid for Overband Crack Fill**  
(Resolution 1108-037)

Staff opened bid proposals for overband crack filling on August 9. The request for proposals included approximately 55 miles of roadway. Selection of roadways for crack filling was limited to those with the best chance of being preserved with this treatment. The low bidder was Scodeller Construction, Inc. with a bid of \$238,360. Staff recommended accepting the bid from Scodeller Construction.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Crane, seconded by Commissioner Dunleavy, to approve Resolution 1108-037. (Certified Copy on file in the Board Meeting Resolutions.)

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

#### **E. INFORMATION ITEMS**

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

1. Clip Sheets (July 28-August 3, 2011)
2. Clip Sheets (August 4-10, 2011)

#### **F. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (2)**

No Response

#### **G. LEGAL**

No Report

#### **H. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

##### **1. Minutes**

- a. **Regular Board Meeting**  
July 28, 2011

The proposed minutes of the meeting of July 28, 2011, were presented to the Board for its review and approval.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Crane, to approve the meeting minutes of July 28, 2011.

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

##### **2. Bills**

**ACTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Dunleavy, seconded by Commissioner Crane, to approve vouchers 070834 through 070926 in the net amount of \$297,283.03.

**Ayes:** Commissioners Crane, Dunleavy.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion Carried.**

3. **Meetings Announced**
  - a. **Next Regular Board Meeting**  
August 25, 2011 - 9:30 a.m.
  
4. **Financial Reports Reviewed**
  - a. **Cash Position Statement**
  - b. **MTF Comparison Report**
  
5. **Miscellaneous Road Items**

Steve Wasyk indicated that the new Komatsu loader had arrived. Staff was being trained in its use today. Jodie Tedesco indicated that the West Grand River center left-turn lane project is beginning today and should be completed by early October. Mr. Craine indicated that he was going to be out of state at the August 25 meeting.

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen F. Crane, Vice-Chairman

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