

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Benzie County was called to order by Chairman Nuske at their offices in Honor, Michigan on Thursday, January 26, 2012 at 9:30 AM.

Present: Chairman Nuske
Vice Chairman Griner
Commissioner Rosa
Manager/Engineer Roseman
Superintendent Bowers
Clerk Jordan

Motion by Griner and supported by Rosa to approve the agenda as amended.
Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting on January 12, 2012 were approved as presented.

Motion by Griner and supported by Rosa to pay bills # 38943 to # 38981 for the amount of \$81,143.88. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Rosa and supported by Griner to authorize the EFT payments for Brenner Oil for \$59,283.54. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent's report: This year we have had 30.25" snow compared to 60.5" last year at this time. We have spent about half of what we spent for winter maintenance as compared to last year. We are about \$318,000 ahead of last year.

There has been a lot of rain. Bowers is concerned about spring thaw and potholes. He explained how and why we sand/salt US31 like we do. We had an interesting mix over the past week...snow, rain, below zero temps and above freezing temps. The sign truck is back in Reed City. The computer continues to lose its memory-GM is working on it, too. We will continue to work on getting the roads bare. When we do, it will be back to opening drains, patching holes, and cutting dead trees.

Public Input: None

Standing Guest –.Roland Halliday, County Commissioner : Duke Energy is out of the county. The BOC passed the resolution for renewable energy. He voted against it. Benzie Home Health Care needs funding. They may team up with Council on Aging. The Maples expansion project is still in the air. Commissioners approved a new 911 system. They passed the BCRC resolution with changes to the title. Conservation district is applying for an \$8,000 planning grant. The annual Water festival is planned for 8/14/12.

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Encroachment permit for drain field in ROW at 3137 Herron Rd.– Motion by Griner and supported by Nuske to approve the encroachment permit with our standard provisions. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Change meeting schedule - Motion by Griner and supported by Nuske to cancel the meeting on 2/9/12 and change the March meetings to the 15th and 29th. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Revised Direct Deposit Policy #324 – Motion by Rosa and supported by Griner to adopt the Direct Deposit Policy #324 as presented. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried

Cell Phone Use Policy #326 - Motion by Griner and supported by Nuske to adopt the Cell Phone Use Policy #326 as presented. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Sign Retroreflectivity Inspection Policy #508 - Motion by Rosa and supported by Griner to adopt the Sign Retroreflectivity Inspection Policy #508 . Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Presidium Energy Black Bridge Unit – information purposes only. Presidium has formed a pool named the Black Bridge Unit.

Paul Bunyan meeting 2/17/12 at 9:30 a.m in Cadillac.

Cole vs. BCRC case update – Trial rescheduled for Feb 15th/16th.

Correspondence: None

PUBLIC INPUT: None

Meeting adjourned at 11:19 AM.

Minutes approved 2/23/2012

W. John Nuske, Chairman

Kathleen A, Jordan, Clerk