

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, April 26, 2012 at 9:30 AM.

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

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

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

Motion by Griner supported by Rosa to pay bills # 39174 to # 39207 for the amount of \$69,437.44 and Payrolls 16 & 17 for \$40,287.09. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Rosa and supported by Griner to authorize the EFT payment for Brenner Oil for the amount of \$28,314.87. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent's report – We have received the last 2000 tons of state salt, with 1000 tons coming for the county. It's coming out of Alpena instead of Manistee at the same cost. We have ordered only backup salt for next year. Blades have been ordered. We should have enough for 2 years maybe 3. We received the oil for the Maxx Patcher. The loader is repaired. We are touching up public accesses this week and getting gravel roads ready for brine. Nancy will meet with the township Supervisors on Wed. May 2. We have quotes on a pull behind mower. Gillison is the low bidder. We mow around lakes before Memorial Day, then county wide in June. Jim has made up a summer schedule and is working on a calendar and contact list to leave for his replacement.

Public Input: John Mead – He is running for Probate Judge and wanted to introduce himself. Ted Mick announced his intention to run for the Road Commission seat that will become vacant December 31.

Standing Guest –Roland Halliday – County commissioner-Brought the commissioners up to date on the Building Authority/Maples project and the hearings regarding senior services.

New Business:

10:00 – **Kim Balke-CRA Stream Crossing projects** – Kim explained the 3

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projects that will be completed this year. They are the timber bridge over the Platte River on Reynolds Road, and stream crossings on Stanley Rd. at Kinney Creek and Landis Rd. at Dair Creek. The projects total \$701,000 with \$163,000 coming from the Grand Traverse Band and NRCS, \$438,000 from the CRA and she is asking for \$100,000 from the Road Commission.

Motion by Rosa and supported by Griner to provide \$100,000 match to the 3 projects with the Conservation Resource Alliance using in-kind services where possible and dollars. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa.. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Nuske and supported by Rosa to authorize the Manager Roseman to review the contract with CRA for these projects and sign the contract. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried

The bridge construction bids will be opened at the meeting on May 17th. Manager Roseman, Patrick Middleton from KPM Engineering and Kim Balke from the CRA will be available to sort out the bids.

Report from Ron Wohlford, CPA – We are in good shape for half way through the year. We should spend a little money on a couple of projects. No action taken. Information only.

Administrative personnel:

Motion by Rosa and supported by Griner to provide Ms. Roseman with health insurance until May 31, 2012. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Nuske and supported by Rosa to accept the contract with Nancy Roseman for consulting services with her maintaining full authority until new personnel are in place. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Nuske and supported by Rosa to accept the contract with Jim Bowers for consulting services with him maintaining full authority until new personnel are in place. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Rosa and supported by Griner to adjust the Clerk's salary to \$41,184

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per year due to the reorganization of administrative personnel and increased duties. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

EAP Contract: Motion by Nuske and supported by Griner to renew the contract with Catholic Human Services for the Employee Assistance Program for 1 year. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ASMARC Nominations for the Board of Directors – No action taken.

Old Business:

Cole Case update – The hearing continues on May 3 and 4. Rosa will be in attendance.

Correspondence: None

Public Input* - Sally Casey, a Lake Township resident was asking about future plans for Deadstream Road, such as adding bike lanes and widening. Aside from wedging or capping portions of the road, no other plans are in the making. She asked that we not cut the brush back so far on Deadstream between Indian Hill and the Deadstream.

The Board presented plaques to Nancy and Jim and thanked them for all their efforts over the past years.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Minutes approved 5/17/12

W. John Nuske, Chairman

Kathleen A, Jordan, Clerk