

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, June 14, 2012 at 9:30 AM.

Present: Chairman Nuske
Vice Chairman Griner
Commissioner Rosa
Manager/Engineer Jamison
Superintendent Schaub
Clerk Jordan

Motion by Griner supported by Rosa to approve the agenda as amended adding an encroachment permit on Herron Rd. brine issues, Crystal Lake Boat Launch Dedication and Cole Case update. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa Nays: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting on May 31, 2012 were approved as presented.

Motion by Griner supported by Rosa to pay bills # 39293 to # 39334 for the amount of \$41,538.70 and Payroll for \$35,741.61. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Rosa supported by Griner to authorize the EFT payments for Brenner Oil for \$29,262.61. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Rosa supported by Griner to authorize the EFT payments for MERS for \$26,202.19. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried

Superintendent's report: We have a 1300# lift gate and a crane to install in a pick up box. Nessen Hill has been fixed. The infra-red machine is currently repairing joints on US 31. Tree cleanup is about 95% complete on Primary Roads. On Valley Road, we hauled gravel to cover the corduroy. M-115 and Dair Hill is complete. Mowing continues. Brine is almost completed in spite of several delays. Schaub thought we should tighten up our contract language adding a performance clause in the future.

Public Input: Griner thanked the Superintendent for fixing Nessen Hill. It's the best it has been in a long time. Sutter Road and Betsie River Road need patching or wedging. Nuske stated there is a huge pothole on Maple St. in Lake Ann.

Standing Guest –Roland Halliday, County Commissioner: Roland brought the board up to date on several county departments.

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Seasonal Employees - Management would like to hire two summer seasonal employees to flag for summer projects. This would free up our more experienced crew members for maintenance elsewhere. Motion by Griner and supported by Rosa to hire 2 seasonal workers at \$10/hour from July 9th to August 30th. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Winter Patrol – We conducted a survey with other road commissions regarding winter and summer patrol. We currently are pretty much in line with others. We would like to keep a 3 person rotation in the summer and 4 person rotation in the winter utilizing management personnel only.

County Road Foreman - Interview update-23 applicants, 3 are from in-house. We will begin interviews next week.

Encroachment permit from Gillison's for a drainfield in the right-of-way on Herron Rd in the Evergreen Shores plat. Motion by Nuske and supported by Griner to allow said permit. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried

Old Business:

Reynolds Road Bridge Project update – Manager Jamison. Krenn will have the bridge manufactured by end of June. July 9th is the start date. Press releases will be sent out.

Brine - The brine process has been challenging this year. We would like a performance clause in our contract next time so that this doesn't happen again.

Commissioner Griner: Griner attended the Crystal Lake Boat Launch Dedication. Tim Schneider with the DNR, formerly with the Grand Traverse Parks and Recreation, complimented our current Engineer/Manager Jamison on the part she played in developing the Keystone Rd Soccer Fields. He also complimented our past Engineer/Manager Nancy Roseman for her assistance in developing the boat launch. Griner also updated the board on the Pt. Betsie Lighthouse progress.

Commissioner Rosa updated the board on the Cole vs Benzie County case. There may possibly be another hearing date scheduled.

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Correspondence: None

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Meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Minutes approved 6/28/2012

W. John Nuske, Chairman

Kathleen A, Jordan, Clerk