

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, July 12, 2012 at 9:30 AM.

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

Motion by Comm Griner supported by Comm Rosa to approve the agenda as amended adding EFT for Brenner Oil, Telecommunication policy, Bridge dedication, Haze Rd bridge detour and Coho Festival parking. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting on June 26, 2012 were approved as presented.

Motion by Comm Griner supported by Comm Rosa to pay bills # 39372 to # 39407 for the amount of \$ 33,462.67 and payroll for the amount of \$49,474.84. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Rosa supported by Comm Griner to authorize the EFT payments for MERS for \$26,679.68. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Rosa supported by Comm Griner to authorize the EFT payments for Brenner Oil for \$30,511.41. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Superintendent's report** – The first mowing is finished. The patcher is running steady when the plants are open for material. Sutter Road was patched. The tree cleanup is complete on the primary roads and we have started on the local roads. Comm Griner would like to get bids from outside contractors for cleaning up a whole stretch of road. Scott Fasel, the new County Road Foreman is onboard.

**Public Input:** Ted Mick wanted to know what is being installed on Grace Rd.

**Standing Guest** – Roland Halliday, County Commissioner: Roland updated the board on the COA, Register of Deeds going online, Platte Township's brining issues, and the Airport Authority.

**New Business:**

**#317 Welding Policy revision-** Motion by Comm Griner and supported by

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Comm Rosa to approve the revision of #317 Welding Policy. Ayes: Nuske, Griner and Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Benzie Central School Athletic Booster Club** has requested placing tree stumps in the Case Pit. They need room for about 350 trees. Comm Rosa thought there were probably many more than that. Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Griner to respectfully deny the request from Benzie Central School Athletic Boosters due to the unknown quantity and space needed. Ayes: Nuske, Griner. Abstain: Rosa. Motion carried.

**Elmers-Crushing millings-** There is a small pile of asphalt in the Thompson Pit. Elmers will crush it for \$3.50/ton as they are already set up in the pit for making gravel. Phone bids were taken.

**Coho Festival parking-**The Coho Festival would like to have parking available at the garage during the festival. People will park here anyway. No action taken. The Coho Festival is August 23, 24 and 25.

**Old Business:**

**Beuna Rd.** paving – Blaine Township approved at their July meeting to pave Beuna Road. Bids will go out and be opened on 7/26/12 at 10:00 AM.

The board is requesting that we have a policy prohibiting teleconferences with the public during board meetings.

**Bridge Dedication** - The Burnt Mill Bridge dedication, in honor of the Bowers family, will be held on Labor Day.

**Haze Rd.- Black Bridge** - The Black Bridge has been closed since 2008. Through a conversation with Comm Nuske, Archie Souvatzidis has requested that detour signs to Partridge Trail be placed in 5 locations and has emailed a drawing that was presented. Mr. Souvatzidis stated in the past that an ambulance was unable to locate Partridge Trail. He also stated in the past that GPS does not show that the bridge is closed. The clerk has checked with Craig Johnson at Emergency Services and was reassured that emergency personnel are informed that the bridge is closed and Partridge Trail is only accessible from the north. In the matter of GPS, it is often inaccurate in our area and doesn't account for seasonal roads, closed bridges, etc. Motion by Comm Rosa and

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supported by Comm Griner to deny Mr. Souvatzidis' request for detour signs.  
Ayes: Nuske, Griner, Rosa. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:**

**Great Lakes Relay July 13-15.**

**26th Annual Shoreline West Bicycle Tour - Aug 5-6, 2012**

**Wimblevale** - Mildred Love-Staff will respond to Ms. Love's letter

**2012 Citizens for Access to the Lakeshore Annual Meeting July 17, 2012 at  
7:00 PM**

**Summary of MAP-21 Funding**

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

Meeting adjourned at 11:12 AM.

**MINUTES APPROVED 7/26/2012**

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W. John Nuske, Chairman

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Kathleen A, Jordan, Clerk