

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Benzie County was called to order by Chairman Nuske at the Road Commission offices in Honor, Michigan on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at 9:30 AM.

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

Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Rosa to approve the agenda as amended adding the CRA cooperative agreement for the Platte Road culvert. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting on April 10, 2014 were accepted as presented.

The minutes from the Closed Session on April 10, 2014 were accepted as presented.

Motion by Comm Nuske supported by Comm Rosa to pay bills # 41012 to # 41045 for the amount of \$ 66,976.88 and Payrolls 16, and 17 for \$ 42,495.74. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Mick to authorize the EFT payment for Brenner Oil for the amount of \$ 21,365.52. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent's report - Brad Schaub – Brad checked out the placing of the Stop Ahead sign on Eastman north of Narrow Gauge. It is within the required limits.

Public Input: Craig Meredith, Thompsonville - He would like to know what the plan is for replacing the Haze Rd Bridge. There is erosion on the south side and there is the potential for injuries from the abutment and erosion on the north side. The abutment should be removed. The road to the bridge should be permanently closed further back than it is currently. It wouldn't be difficult to drive around the barricades that are set up.

The Betsie Valley Run group uses this bridge. He has asked them to voice their support to replace the bridge. Snowplowing on Partridge Trail was not getting done in a timely manner. Occasionally, he has to call to have the drains opened up on the Wolf Rd bridge. Craig would also like to know what the plans are for the Reynolds Rd bridge. It is weight restricted so low that the snow groomer and the fire trucks cannot cross it. He would like to know the weight capacity of the Nessen Bridge to be built this year. He doesn't want it to be able to accommodate heavy vehicles, like oil rigs. Heather responded that the Nessen Bridge would be built to standard HS-20 loading. The funding sources will not allow a restricted bridge.

Ron Evitts - Colfax Township Supervisor - Loggers have torn up the Wallin/Haze intersection. The tube on the seasonal portion of Long Rd is not functioning and needs to be addressed. He also had concerns on the culverts on Landis Rd. Brad responded that we would be replacing the one and installing another one on Landis and replacing the one on Long.

Standing Guest: Glen Rineer, County Commissioner - Brought the board up to date on the county's happenings.

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New Business:

CRA Cooperative agreement – Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Mick to enter into an agreement with the CRA for us to bid out the Platte Rd culvert and to reimburse us for that cost. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Award Nessen Bridge materials bid-Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Rosa to award the Nessen Bridge materials bid to Krenn Bridge for \$44,214.88. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Contracts with Lake Township for Cooper Road- Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Rosa to enter into a contract with Lake Township for the installation of a cross road culvert on Cooper Rd. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

National Park Service driveway permit-Peterson Rd-Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to approve the Park Service request for a drive way off Peterson Rd and to waive the application fee. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

2014 Budget Amendments-Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Rosa to approve the suggested amendments to the 2014 budget as presented by the clerk. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Seasonal Summer positions - The two college students that we have had for the last two years will be returning in May for the summer.

Correspondence/Information:

Paul Bunyan meeting 5/15/14 at McGuire's Resort - Heather, Ted and John will attend. Letter from Dorothy Mirkil-winter driving concerns-Heather will respond to Ms Mirkil's concerns.

Retirement/Replacement - Robin Talsma will be retiring as of 4/30/14. We will need to replace her.

Worker's Comp update - The board was brought up to date on the 2 Worker's Comp cases we have.

Public Input: Craig Meredith commented on the condition of M-115 east of Wexford CRC's garage where the road was textured and asked to please not do that in Benzie County. It was very icy this winter when the grooves filled with water and froze.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM

W. John Nuske, Chairman

Kathleen A, Jordan, Clerk