

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 23, 2015 at 9:30 AM.

Present: Chairman Nuske
Vice Chairman Rosa
Member Mick
Manager Skeels
Superintendent Schaub
Clerk Jordan

Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Rosa to approve the amended agenda adding MERS 457 Resolution, contracts for Tucker Rd. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting on July 09, 2015 were accepted as presented.

Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Rosa to pay bills # 42173 to # 42210 for the amount of \$ 91,702.48 and Payroll # 14 for \$ 47,349.92. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Mick to pay the EFT for Brenner Oil for \$14,696.12. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

Superintendent's report – We received the DEQ permit for Tucker Rd; Paving Goose today and extending the project to include the intersection; AJ's Excavating is working on Gudemoos Rd; Millage skip paving and wedging will begin on Aug 3rd or before; Curbs in Elberta are finished.

Public Input: Ron Chambers objects to the seasonal status of Haze Rd. Chuck Retallick questioned why aren't there rumble strips on all four approaches to Indian Hill and Deadstream Rd intersection.

Standing Guest: Gary Sauer - County Commissioner Liaison-Brought the Commissioners up to date on the county business.

New Business:

Tucker Rd contracts - Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Mick to enter into a contract with Therrien Excavating and also Almira Twp for the replacement of the culvert on Tucker Rd. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

MERS 457 - Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Rosa to adopt the resolution the MERS 457 Deferred Compensation Plan Document. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

10:00 - John Schor - Haze Rd - Mr. Schor objects to the seasonal status of Haze Rd between Wallin and Landis Rds. This adds 4 miles to his commute. Haze Rd sees quite a bit of traffic and making it seasonal benefits no one. State land loggers have torn it up repeatedly, making millions of dollars of profit for the state. They should be fixing the road for us.

Crystal Drive complaint from Russ Abate and William Fuller: Ditch near 6453 & 6415 Crystal Drive-We recently cleaned the vegetation in the ditch at these addresses at the owner's request.

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This ditch has been in existence for many years and is in line with all the other ditches on the north side of Crystal Drive. Comm Rosa has been to the site 3 times and doesn't think there is a problem. Once it greens up, it will look better. The board took no action.

Benzie - Manistee Snowbirds request for permit - Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Rosa to approve the permit for snowmobile use on county roads. The permit fee will be waived in exchange of 30 snowmobile maps. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

2143 E. South Shore Dr - Encroachment permit: Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to approve the permit for a retaining wall at 2143 E. South Shore Dr. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

Hooker Rd-Request for estimate. Superintendent Schaub will prepare an estimate to upgrade this portion of Hooker Rd to remove it from seasonal status.

Goose Rd - Contract for Project Engineering with Williams & Works: Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Mick to accept the contract with Williams & Works and authorize Manager Skeels to sign. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

Local Road Policy #901 review- Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to amend the Local Road Policy adding Road Comm participation in Section C, part 6. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

Resolution 2015-12 Lease Purchase Agreement with Caterpillar Financial was presented by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Rosa. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

Thank you from Chris Packer

Paul Bunyan meeting 8/20/15 - Matt and Ted will attend.

Public Input: A member of the public stopped by to let us know that Esch Rd was in deplorable condition. John Schor commented on Reynolds Rd between Cinder & the Grass Lake Campground and also the Black Bridge site.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 AM.

Minutes approved 08/12/15

W. John Nuske, Chairman

Kathleen A, Jordan, Clerk