

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Benzie County was called to order by Chairman Rosa at their offices in Honor, Michigan on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 9:30 AM.

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

Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to accept the agenda as amended adding Weldon Rd to New Business. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

The minutes of 3/24/16 were accepted as presented.

Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to pay bills # 42844 to # 42899 for the amount of \$ 250,419.48 and Payroll #7-16 for \$ 50,735.44. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to pay the EFT for MERS for \$ 32,616.91. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

**Superintendent's report:** Modifying the new tractor-putting a cage around the exhaust; Summer seasonal workers are needed.

**Public Input:** Roger Griner, BOC Chairman, voiced his concerns about the Sliverville/Forrester Rd intersection. Bill Burns, resident on Forrester Rd expressed his concerns also. Ron Evitts asked about signs prohibiting thru truck traffic in Colfax Twp.

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

**New Business:**

**Herring Rd/Blaine Twp contracts** - Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to enter into a cost share contract with Blaine Twp to replace the cross culverts under Herring Road. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

**ROW Encroachment permits** - Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Nuske to approve the after-the-fact permits from Gillison Excavating for 1069 E South Shore and 1659 E South Shore. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Nuske to approve the encroachment permit for test wells in the right-of-way on Nugent Rd. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

**Homestead Twp** - Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to allow Homestead Twp to use the Road Commission yard on Saturday, May 21 for their township cleanup day. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

**Miss Dig** - Discussion regarding membership with Miss Dig. Staff will investigate to see whether we can opt out at this time. Since joining in 2014, fees are \$2,595. Staff is using much valuable time to respond to requests.

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**Nostwick Rd** - Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Nuske to award the bid to Cliff Youngs for \$ 36,000 for refurbishing the Nostwick Rd bridge, contingent upon securing a temporary alternate access to the north side property owners. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

**Link Engineering bid for bridge inspections** - Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to award the bid for bridge inspections to Link Engineering. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

**Weldon Rd** - Matt reported that he had spoken with DJ Shook from the BIA regarding lining up funding for the repair of Carter Creek where it crosses Weldon Rd. We will visit the road at the next meeting.

**Correspondence/Information/Discussion:**

**Letter and petition from Ben MacRae** regarding the intersection of Forrester & Sliverville Roads.

**Public Input:** Gary Sauer asked about the damage on Forrester Rd at Graceland's driveway. Ron Evitts - does not want the Nostwick Rd bridge closed during the opening of trout season (4/30).

The Board, Manager, Superintendent, Clerk, Gary Sauer, Roger Griner, and Bill Burns left to visit the Forrester-Sliverville intersection.

The Commissioners Rosa & Nuske, Manager, Superintendent, Clerk and Gary Sauer also visited the Mollineaux Road property.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM.

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Robert Rosa, Chairman

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Kathleen A, Jordan, Clerk