

The organizational meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Benzie County was called to order by Clerk Jordan at their offices in Honor, Michigan on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 9:30 AM.

Present: Commissioner Nuske
 Commissioner Rosa
 Commissioner Mick
 Manager Skeels
 Superintendent Schaub
 Clerk Jordan

Election of Chairman - Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to nominate Comm Rosa as Chairman. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

Election of Vice Chairman - Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Rosa to nominate Comm Nuske as Vice-Chairman. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

The meeting was turned over to Chairman Rosa.

Meeting schedule - Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Nuske to adopt the 2016 meeting schedule as it was presented. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Motion carried.

Resolution 2016-01 Bank Depositories was presented by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Nays: None. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2016-02 ACH Electronic Transfer Transactions was presented by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick. Ayes: Nuske, Rosa and Mick. Nays: None. Resolution adopted.

The organizational meeting was adjourned at 9:38 AM.

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 Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 9:38 AM.

Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to accept the agenda adding the request for the extension of the 2015 brine bid from Beckman Production for one year. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to accept the minutes of the regular meeting on December 17, 2015 with the correction. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Nuske to pay bills # 42609 to # 42663 for the amount of \$ 54,784.25 and Payroll 26-15 & 1-16 for \$ 102,681.11. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Mick to pay the EFT for Brenner Oil for \$ 27,195.30. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Mick to pay the EFT for MERS for \$ 58,958.52. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

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Superintendent's report – One of our 1-ton trucks needed a transmission; New drivers are learning their routes.

Public Input: John Schor - Logging and weighmaster; Doug Holmes - State has massive assets.

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

New Business:

Seasonal Road Public hearing - Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Nuske to open the Seasonal Road Public Hearing at 10:00. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Many felt that this was put on seasonal status in error. Haze Rd provides easier and shorter access to CR 669 from Landis Rd, and is much more convenient. Those who are in favor of removing Haze Rd between Landis Rd and Wallin Rd from seasonal road status are: R. Chambers; J. Schor; K & J Jelemensky; R. Evitts; M. Bancroft; R. Hitesman. No one in the audience was opposed.

The loggers damaged Haze Rd a couple of years ago and should be held responsible for repair. The Road Comm does not have a logging policy. We will review the Local Road Policy to shift the cost of repairs to roads damaged from logging, construction, etc., to the company causing the damage and not the Road Comm or the townships. Comm Rosa told the group to get signatures on a petition to hold loggers responsible for damage to roads and return it to us by March 1st. We will forward it to the County Road Association and the state.

Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to remove Haze Rd - T25N, R14W, Sec 13 & 14 - Wallin Rd south to Landis Rd - 1.0 miles from the Seasonal Road System, effective immediately. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Nuske to close the Public Hearing at 10:38 AM. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

County Road Association amendments and bylaws change. Motion by Comm Mick and supported by Comm Nuske to vote in favor of Amendment #1. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Mick to vote in favor of Amendment #2. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Patterson Rd encroachment permit - Robert Messick has installed a fence on the west side of Patterson Rd for the length of the road. The fence is approximately 16'-18' off the center of the road. This is a one lane road at best, and this fence prohibits being able to turn around. The fence connects to a fence at the end of the road, at the Betsie River, behind our guardrail, prohibiting river access. This fence was installed by Mr. Watts and has been referred to Mike Edwards for clarification. Mr. Messick was contacted by the Road Comm to remove the fence on the west side of the road and to remove the "No Trespassing, Private Property" signs just past his home. Mr. Messick has applied for a permit to allow the encroaching fence. Motion by Comm Nuske and supported by Comm Rosa to deny the permit and have Mr. Messick move the fence out of the road right-of-way. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

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Mileage - Motion by Comm Rosa and supported Comm Nuske to adjust the standard mileage rate to \$ 0.54 per mile. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Brine bid extension - Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Nuske to extend Beckman Production's bid from 2015 for dust control and winter brine, for one year. Ayes: Rosa, Nuske and Mick. Motion carried.

Correspondence/Information/Discussion -

Cole vs Benzie County - Hearing on 2/3/16 and trail access

Rural Task Force projects

CRA - Haze Rd/Red Creek; Nostwick bridge; Weldon Rd/Carter Creek.

Public Input - Jelemensky - Thank you for removing Haze Rd from seasonal status; Schor - Nostwick Rd bridge; Co Comm Carland - Thanks for fixing M-22 and would like to help with the logging issues on the county level; R. Evitts - Local Road Committee meeting date.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM.

Minutes approved 01/28/16

Robert Rosa, Chairman

Kathleen A, Jordan, Clerk