

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Benzie County was called to order by Chairman Rosa at the Road Commission offices in Honor, Michigan on Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 9:30 AM.

Present: Chairman Bob Rosa
 Vice chair Phil Hoyt
 Member Ted Mick
 Manager Skeels
 Clerk Jordan
 Superintendent Schaub

Motion by Comm Hoyt and supported by Comm Mick to accept the agenda as amended, adding job descriptions and Inland Twp. Ayes: Rosa, Hoyt and Mick. Motion carried.

The minutes of the 02/15/17 meeting were accepted as presented.

Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Mick to pay bills # 43801 to # 43848 for the amount of \$ 160,930.76 and Payroll # 04 & 05 for \$112,918.13. Ayes: Rosa, Mick and Hoyt. Motion carried.

Superintendent's report: We have been cleaning up trees from the wind storm; Cutting trees for summer projects; Used more salt this year than ever due to more rainy/icy days; Staked the right-of-way on Patterson Rd; Looking for summer seasonal help; Taking 8 people to Miss Dig excavation training.

Public Input: None

Standing Guest: Gary Sauer - Brought the board up to date on issues at the county level.

New Business:

- **Bid Awards - Miller Rd Right-of-way clearing** - Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Hoyt to rejects all bids, due to the possibility of the MDNR clear cutting their property along Miller Rd this year. Once this is completed, or taken off the table as a possibility, the clearing project will be re-bid. Ayes: Rosa, Mick and Hoyt. Motion carried.

- **Material Bids** - Motion by Comm Hoyt and supported by Comm Mick to award the material bids as recommended by staff with the exception of the Tree Removal bids. Ayes: Rosa, Mick and Hoyt. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Hoyt and supported by Comm Mick to award the stump removal bid to Grant's Stump Service, but tree removal will need to be re-bid. Ayes: Rosa, Mick and Hoyt. Motion carried.

Fewins Rd - Bids will be sent out for earthwork and paving the hill. This scope of this project will not encroach onto landowners' property.

- **Encroachment permit** - 2407 E South Shore - Motion by Comm Hoyt and supported by Comm Mick to approve the encroachment permit for 2407 E South Shore for landscaping on the lake side of the road. The landscaping is to be flush with the road. Ayes: Rosa, Mick and Hoyt. Motion carried.

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- **Certification maps** were signed by Chairman Rosa.

There was discussion on the Gateway Arch on M-115 and possession and/or ownership of it.

Manager Skeels reported to the board regarding revising job descriptions.

Correspondence/Information/Discussion:

- MCRCSIP call for Board of Directors candidates.
- Annual Rural and Tribal Elected Officials meeting March 16 at MDOT TSC in Traverse City.

- **11:00 AM: Dave Schaffer** - Benzie County Recycling - Dave presented the survey of the lot in the Honor Pit that he would like to use for a recycling center. The lot dimensions are 287' x 132' wide. He would like to see the lot be wider (170') and less deep (250') to better accommodate his needs and not encroach on the pit property as much.

Public Input: Ron Evitts commented on the recycling and the Fewins Rd project.

The Board, Manager, Superintendent, Clerk, Dave Schaffer, Gary Sauer and Ron Evitts went to the Honor Pit to review the lot stakes on Lot 1 of the 3rd addition to Honor for the recycling. Thousands of yards of materials will need to be moved to accommodate the recycling and overall there may not be enough room for the proposed plan or room to expand at a later date. Also, if in the future the Road Commission needs to relocate and build a new building, the pit would be the only location available.

Motion by Comm Rosa and supported by Comm Hoyt to regretfully deny the request to use the Honor Pit lot for a recycling center.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Minutes approved 03/30/17

Robert Rosa, Chairman

Kathleen A, Jordan, Clerk