

## MINUTES

Chairman Matiash called the February 7, 2017 meeting of the Mason County Road Commission held in their office at 510 E State Street, Scottville, MI to order at 1:00 pm.

Members present: Matiash and Robidoux, Manager/Director Schoonover, Secretary Samuels and Superintendent Moody. Absent: Schwass.

Visitors: Amber Township Supervisor Jim Gallie with Amber Townships' Brine request. Their Board is still working on their 2017 project list. Gallie stated they may have to hold off on the Gordon Road project due to cost. Deb Delzoppo from the Conservation District was in to observe and later mentioned how well the green lights show up during a snow storm and that she really liked them.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Robidoux seconded by Matiash to approve the agenda as amended. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Conflicts: None

The minutes of the January 26, 2017 regular meeting were discussed:

Motion by Robidoux seconded by Matiash to approve the minutes as presented with the correction of a typo. Ayes all. Motion carried.

The Board took the following action after reviewing the accounts payable.

Motion by Robidoux seconded by Matiash to approve accounts payable for ck #75016 thru ck#75067 for \$146,597.64, and approve payroll #3 for February 9, 2017.

At 1:04 pm the Board looked over the contingent liability and revenue sheet.

**Superintendent's Report:** Mostly Winter Maintenance for the past two weeks. The limb crew has been out in the plow areas removing hanging limbs and two cold patch crews have been out. The tree crew has been working on the list of dead trees that need to be removed. Extra help in the shop. Cleaning out spillways around the county.

**Shop Foreman Report:** Discussed a counter offer made by John White to swap the brine tank trailer for our unit #603. See Motion. Also discussed was the engine break down of the 2006 Sterling Truck #046. See Motion.

### **Manager/Director Report:**

#### **Engineering**

- On-going File Reviews: Neil Street Culvert, 2016 Pavement Marking, Rasmussen Rd Construction
- Hansen Rd, Dennis Rd to Stiles Rd: A revised Progress Schedule has been received and approved by MDOT. A Pre-Con date has been set for Wednesday, February 15th. (Bid: \$808,709.98. 80% Federal STP, 20% State D. Progress Clause: Completion date of on or

before June 23, 2017)

- Hansen Rd, W. of Gordon Rd to US-31: *No change in status*. Design is progressing with working on a GI package.
- Gordon Rd RXR Bridge: Marquette Rail has noted to us to proceed and keep them informed of a progress schedule when it is available. (Estimated at \$203,400).
- Sass Rd, Grant Twp: Preliminary plans have been submitted to the Twp and they have expressed their desire to increase the limits to the east. (Estimated at \$60,000)
- Stephens Rd over Big Sauble Bridge: Grading easements have been secured and ROW Attachment B completed and sent to NDG for project submission. Anticipate a May 5<sup>th</sup> Letting.
- Decker/Stephens Rds over S Br Lincoln River/Frog Paradise Drain: Grading easements have been secured and ROW Attachment B completed and sent to NDG for project submission. Anticipate a May 5<sup>th</sup> Letting.

#### **Informational Items**

- GPS: – Pending...
- MCRCSIP update: A Notice of Non-Party Fault has been filed on our behalf that identifies the driver of the vehicle that the plaintiff was a passenger in. Naming a non-party allows the Plaintiff to add the non-party to the suit, and if the Plaintiff doesn't, it allows the court to allocate a percentage of the Plaintiff's damages (should they be proven at trial) to the non-party, thereby reducing the percentage that the Road Commission would have to pay.
- Tier II Bridge Load Rating (Custer Rd over Big Sauble River): Although this is due later this summer (specific date not identified by MDOT), I have requested this to be reviewed and reported in MiBridge.
- Bridge Inspections: Review of latest bridge inspections has a number of work items noted for our forces to address from deck and abutment cleaning to erosion control and scour prevention and beam cleaning. These are being further reviewed to identify and a work plan put together.
- Coordinated Response Exercise: Simulated product release with pipeline and gas distribution companies – March 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Deferred Comp 457 Plan: Advisor Jim Stovall, Shelby State Bank-Financial Services, has been in and meeting with employees.
- 2017 Administration Wages: Under review.

#### **Under unfinished business the following was discussed**

1. Paul Bunyan Meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2017. Wayne, Bill & Doug to attend.

#### **Under new business the following was discussed**

1. New Commissioners' Workshop is being held on Tuesday March 14, 2017.
2. Trap Rock and Seal Coat Discussion-N Matiash met with Terry Laman to discuss the difference in cost between 25A Trap Rock and Slag for seal coating. The 25A Trap Rock is approximately \$810.00 more per mile or .07 per square yard. They would be willing to give a presentation on the differences between the two materials if the Supervisors are interested.
3. Discussion on staff compensation was postponed until the next meeting.

**Items Requiring Board Action****Trade for Brine Tank Trailer**

Motion by Matiash seconded by Robidoux to approve Mr. John Whites offer to trade to the MCRC, one of two brine tank trailers (our choice) for our Truck #603 cab and chassis only, with an additional \$4,000.00. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Approve Repairs to Truck #046**

Motion by Robidoux seconded by Matiash to approve the repairs needed for Unit #046 with the Power Choice that includes the long block, new engine, new oil pan and labor for \$30,000.00. The new engine will come with a 12 month warranty or 100,000 miles. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2017 at 1:00 pm.**

**There being** no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm.

  
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Mary Samuels Secretary

  
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Nick Matiash Chairman