

December 17, 2019

The Board of Road Commissioners for the County of Antrim met at the County Garage, Mancelona, Michigan for a regular meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Amos, Hoogerhyde and Hunt. Absent: none. Also present: Engineer-Manager Thompson, Superintendent Stumm and Secretary Farrier.

It was moved by Hoogerhyde and seconded by Amos to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2019 regular meeting. Motion carried by unanimous yes vote.

The floor was opened for public comment at 9:32 a.m.

BOC Liaison Lavanway gave an update regarding BOC issues.

Being no further comment, the floor returned to the Chair at 9:36 a.m.

Correspondence was discussed.

2019 cash flow, fund balance and MTF were discussed.

2020 projected cash flow was reviewed.

The Engineer-Manager gave his report.

N. Bayshore Dr., in Elk Rapids Township, is facing erosion problems in a couple of locations that need to be addressed in 2020. The "Engineer's Estimate" is approximately \$350,000. The project should be ready to bid out in January or February of 2020. Possible matching funds from affected land owners is yet to be determined.

2019 construction projects were reviewed.

The Board reviewed the service requests.

Upcoming meetings:

CRA Annual Highway Conference, March 10-12, 2020

2020 wages for non-bargaining unit employees were discussed. It was moved by Hoogerhyde and seconded by Amos to adjust the 2020 wages for the following non-bargaining unit employees with an increase of 1.5% and additionally moving both Road Foreman up 1 step:

Peter Stumm, Superintendent	\$64,930.00
Greg Spires, Road Foreman	\$56,362.00
Allen Musell, Road Foreman	\$53,912.00
Ron Chapman, Shop Foreman	\$58,223.00
Bob Fitzgerald, Eng. Tech.	\$20.93/hour
Kelly Sexton, Payroll Clerk	\$21.83/hour

Motion carried by unanimous yes vote.

2020 wages for the Engineer-Manager and Office Manager were discussed. It was moved by Hoogerhyde and seconded by Amos to set the 2020 wages for the Engineer-Manager and Office Manager as follows:

Burt Thompson, Engineer-Manager	\$93,751.00
Dale Farrier, Office Manager	\$65,332.00

Motion carried by unanimous yes vote.

The Engineer-Manager informed the Board that he has been approached by an agent representing a retail establishment who is interested in purchasing all or part of the 3.9-acre lot the Road Commission owns in the Village of Ellsworth. The Road Commission has mined clay (shale) from the lot on and off for several years. The Road Commission attorney said as long as the Road Commission sells its property for "fair market value" and not "dumping it", there would not be problem with selling it. It was moved by Amos and seconded by Hoogerhyde to authorize the Engineer-Manager to negotiate with the prospective buyer on a potential sale of said parcel.



It was moved by Amos and seconded by Hoogerhyde to hold a special meeting on December 31, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. for the purpose of amending 2019 Operating Budget. Motion carried by unanimous yes vote.

Bills in the amount of \$394,019.36 covered by master voucher(s) #24 & #25 and payroll(s) #24, #25 & #25A in the amount of \$29,262.21 were reviewed.

It was moved by Hoogerhyde and seconded by Amos to go into closed session to discuss a potential land purchase. Motion carried by unanimous yes vote. The Board went into closed session at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened at 10:35 a.m.

It was moved by Amos and seconded by Hoogerhyde to authorize the Engineer-Manager to negotiate the purchase of 25 acres of land in Custer Township for potential clay and aggregate mining. Motion carried by unanimous yes vote.

By motion, the meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Approved by  Submitted by   
Fred Hunt, Jr., Chairman D. E. Farrier, Secretary