

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 20, 2009**  
**5:00 p.m.**

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Present: Mr. Joseph Suma, Vice Chairman; Mr. Dale Duckert, Member

Excused: Mr. Douglas Hodge, Chairman

In Attendance: Mr. Ryan Doyle, Assistant Engineer; Ms. Tami Erickson, Acting Board Secretary/Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Erick Pearson, Managing Director.

Also in attendance: Mr. Charles Buckel and Mr. Richard Brandt.

Mr. Suma, Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**Approve Agenda:**

**052009-089**

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve the agenda.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent; Suma, aye. Two ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

**Financial Report Review:**

The Board reviewed the accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll check register, and cash statement.

**Consent Agenda:**

**052009-090**

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following,

**Approve Minutes For:** Committee of the Whole 05/04/09  
Finance Meeting 05/06/09  
Regular Meeting 05/06/09

**Approve Payment of Bills:** \$313,963.27

**Approve Projects:**

Almont Township

504 001 903006	Signs for Almont Fire Hall	Estimated Cost:	\$348.08
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Attica Township

504 003 903207	Replace 18" x 40' Cross Culvert, Peppermill Road between Lake George and Force	Estimated Cost:	\$2,000.00
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504 003 903208	Stop Sign Post Delineators, 46 @ \$9.00	Estimated Cost:	\$414.00
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Burlington Township

504 004 903300	Stop Sign Post Delineators, 21 @ \$9.00	Estimated Cost:	\$189.00
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Dryden Township

504 007 903606	Stop Sign Post Delineators, 59 @ \$9.00	Estimated Cost:	\$531.00
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504 007 903607	Replace X-Tube and Rip Rap, Havens Road between Casey and General Squire	Estimated Cost:	\$2,000.00
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504 007 903698	Dust Control, Road Maintenance	Estimated Cost:	\$42,089.91
504 007 903699	Roadside Mowing, One Double Swath, Priehs	Estimated Cost:	\$5,565.42
<u>Goodland Township</u>			
504 009 903805	Stop Sign Post Delineators, 53 @ \$9.00	Estimated Cost:	\$477.00
<u>Hadley Township</u>			
504 010 903998	Dust Control, Road Maintenance	Estimated Cost:	\$40,548.00
504 010 903999	Roadside Mowing, One Double Swath, Jostock	Estimated Cost:	\$4,543.20
<u>Metamora Township</u>			
504 015 904403	Replace 24"x46' Cross Culvert, 4190 Gardner Road between Brocker and Dryden Roads	Estimated Cost:	\$2,300.00
504 015 904404	Replace 18"x34' Cross Culvert, 4100 Barber between Brocker and Dryden Roads	Estimated Cost:	\$1,800.00
<u>Oregon Township</u>			
504 017 904602	Replace 30"x50' Cross Culvert, Catlin at Pyles, between Mt. Morris and Pyles	Estimated Cost:	2,830.00
504 017 904603	Replace 36"x40' X-Tube, Fern between McDowell and Sites	Estimated Cost:	\$2,750.00

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent, Suma, aye. Two ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

**Managing Director Report:**

Mr. Pearson reported that the official motion from the City of Lapeer requesting the jurisdictional change of Baldwin Road to the City of Lapeer had not been received. Mr. Pearson stated that once the request is received he would present it to the Board of Road Commissioners for their response. Mr. Pearson stated that an official motion does not need to be made, but the response does need to be written. Mr. Pearson reported that the jurisdictional changes of the other roads discussed would take place at a later date.

Mr. Pearson stated that the contracted work for MDOT to complete I-69 centerline reflective marker removal will commence on June 8th. Mr. Pearson reported that the company from which the fill machine is being rented from will come to the Road Commission for a demonstration and training on the use of the machine being used to fill where the markers are removed from, on June 8th. Mr. Pearson stated that the training will take place on Millville Road and will allow him to see if this application can be used elsewhere in the county.

Mr. Pearson reported that he received a press release from CRAM regarding the Montcalm Road Commission's announcement that they will be grinding 9.2 miles of paved primary roads back to gravel. Mr. Pearson reported that Montcalm is the 24th road commission in the state to revert paved roads back to gravel, and the first to do so on a primary road. Mr. Pearson stated that this is a prime example of how cash strapped road commissions have become in the State of Michigan.

Mr. Pearson reported that he is currently getting a list of the roads in other counties which have utilized the process of milling off a few inches of a road surface; mixing this with gravel and laying it back down as the sub-base to repaving. Mr. Pearson stated that some of the roads he will be reviewing had this process performed over 10 years ago, which will allow him to see if this is an effective method.

**Engineer's Report:**

Mr. Doyle reported that he had 4 traffic control orders he would like approved. Mr. Doyle stated that two of the TCO's were to lower the gross vehicle weights on the bridges, and two are to completely close the bridges. Mr. Doyle stated that these two bridges are unsafe and should not be traveled over. Mr. Doyle stated that this was the only way to prevent school buses from crossing these structures.

**052009-091**

Motion by Mr. Duckert and seconded by Mr. Suma to approve TCO#1(02)2009- In accordance with the Engineer's recommendation, that Lum Road over the Brant Lake Drain between Mitchell Lake Road and Youngs Road be posted as 40 Ton Gross Vehicle Weight Limit.

Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent. Two ayes, One absent. Motion carried.

**052009-092**

Motion by Mr. Duckert and seconded by Mr. Suma to approve TCO#2(04)2009- In accordance with the Engineer's recommendation, that Castle Road Bridge over N. Br. Flint River between Jones Road and Jefferson Road in Burlington Township be posted as 3 Ton Gross Vehicle Weight/No Trucks.

Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent. Two ayes, One absent. Motion carried.

**052009-093**

Motion by Mr. Duckert and seconded by Mr. Suma to approve TCO#1(04)2009- In accordance with the Engineer's recommendation, that Peck Road Bridge over Indian Creek between Silverwood Road and Jefferson Road in Burlington Township be posted as Closed to all Traffic.

Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent. Two ayes, One absent. Motion carried.

**052009-094**

Motion by Mr. Duckert and seconded by Mr. Suma to approve TCO#1(05)2009- In accordance with the Engineer's recommendation, that Marsh Road Bridge over Elm Creek Drain between Brooks Road and M-90 in Burnside Township be posted as Closed to All Traffic

Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent. Two ayes, One absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Doyle reported that the 2009 Safety Projects will begin on May 21st, 2009. Mr. Doyle also reported the Imlay/Morris Road project would begin June 15th and complete in the middle of August.

**Public Comment:**

Mr. Rick Brandt, Hadley Township Trustee inquired if crack sealing would continue this year. Mr. Pearson stated that the program will continue this year. Mr. Brandt stated that Hadley Township would like to do some crack sealing this year.

Mr. Brandt stated that he was not satisfied with the disking job performed in Hadley Township. Mr. Brandt stated that not enough material had been cut.

**Board Discussion:**

**052009-095**

Motion by Mr. Duckert seconded by Mr. Suma to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 p.m.

Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent. Two ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

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Joseph Suma, Vice Chairman

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