

Undersheriff Rapson explained that Deputy Smith would like to finish what he started with the weighmaster enforcement and that they were still working on the possibility of the Townships adopting ordinances that will send some of the fines back to the municipalities. Mr. Hodge gave his support of this program as well. Deputy Smith spoke regarding his desire to keep the program going and not wanting it to go to the wayside. Deputy Smith stated that he believes he has a good relationship with the truckers and thinks he has resolved a lot of issues that the Road Commission did not have to deal with. Mr. Pearson confirmed that the Weighmaster Enforcement is a good program and it does take away a lot of headaches. Undersheriff Rapson added that the program does make the highways safer, so it is a win-win for everyone. Undersheriff Rapson stated that we all are having to prioritize of efforts and this collaborative agreement will serve the public well.

123009-202

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve the Agreement for Law Enforcement Services for Weighmaster Service with the Sheriff Department with the following amendments to these sections.

5. (B) Add “flexible” to the time period stated.

5. (E) Change (30) thirty day notice to (14) fourteen day notice.

9. Change termination date to indicate appropriate time period (3 months/6 months) after the commencement of contract.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Undersheriff Rapson stated that the contract will be amended this morning and returned for signature.

123009-203

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the 2010 Board Meeting Schedule. Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearson stated that the Management Team has agreed to take a pay freeze for the second year, contrary to having an increase written into their contracts. Mr. Hodge stated that he appreciates the gesture and commended the members. Mr. Pearson stated that it is important to Management to keep the maintenance crews running.

Mr. Pearson explained that the crews did spend a little time in the trucks over the holidays, and although there haven't been any big storms, the salt still has to be spread. Mr. Pearson stated that the salt/sand mix is a cost savings and the shop is working on a brine spray method to also increase efficiency.

Engineering Report:

Mr. Doyle asked the Board to approve the following TCO.

123009-204

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve TCO#2(07)2009- In accordance with the Engineer's recommendation, that Hollow Corner Road over a tributary of the Talmage Drain, located between Rochester Road and Bohlman Road in Dryden Township, be posted as OPEN TO LEGAL TRAFFIC. Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Doyle stated that he met with MDOT about the High Risk Rural Roads projects and was hoping for an April letting date, but was concerned about the Historical Preservation Permit holding up the application deadline set for January 20, 2010.

Mr. Doyle stated that the Engineering Department was thankful for their jobs and for the opportunity to work with a good team that cares, including the Board, the garages and the office. Mr. Doyle also thanked Mr. Suma for the waders he donated to the Road Commission for the surveyor to use and the new bright hats he bought for the employees. Mr. Doyle went on to thank the Sheriff Department for working with the Road Commission to preserve the Weighmaster position, as this takes a lot of stress away from Mr. Gatton and himself when they are on the road, and makes a big difference to the working crews.

Public Comment:

Mr. Robert VanDenBerg, Shop Foreman, gave a brief description of the progress of the tailgate brine and pre-wet system, and stated that the eight tanks are to be delivered today or tomorrow.

Mr. Jack Jostock thanked the Board for the Weighmaster position and stated that the enforcement is very important during frost laws. Mr. Jostock stated that he is currently working with a bare bones crew with no extra bodies, and appreciates the dedicated crew he has that will adjust their schedule to accommodate an upcoming storm. Mr. Hodge stated that this cooperation makes the Board’s job easier.

Board Discussion

Mr. Hodge opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson.

123009-205

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert, to appoint Mr. Douglas Hodge as 2010 Chairperson.
Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Hodge then opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairperson.

123009-206

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Suma, to appoint Mr. Joseph Suma as 2010 Vice Chairperson.
Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

123009-207

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the 2010 Committee Appointments.
Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>	<u>Members</u>
Finance	Hodge	Suma, Duckert
Labor	Hodge	Suma, Duckert
Townships	Suma	Duckert, Hodge
Liaison to County Commission	Suma	Duckert, Hodge
Citizens Advisory Committee	Duckert	Suma, Hodge
M-53 Corridor Committee	Duckert	Suma, Hodge

123009-208

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to designate Mr. William Mainz as County Highway Engineer for 2010.
Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

123009-209

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to authorize Mr. William Mainz to impose and release seasonal weight restrictions, as required for 2010.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

123009-210

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Suma to appoint Mr. Erick Pearson as Managing Director for 2010.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

123009-211

Motion by Mr. Suma, Seconded by Mr. Duckert to designate Mr. Erick Pearson as Trunkline Superintendent for 2010.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

123009-212

Motion by Mr. Suma, Seconded by Mr. Duckert to designate Mr. Erick Pearson as Assistant Trunkline Superintendent for 2010.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

123009-213

Motion by Mr. Suma, Seconded by Mr. Duckert to appoint Ms. Tami Erickson, Chief Finance Officer for 2010.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

123009-214

Motion by Mr. Duckert, Seconded by Mr. Suma to appoint Ms. Linette Daily, Secretary to the Board for 2010.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

123009-215

Motion by Mr. Suma, Seconded by Mr. Duckert to designate Mr. James Gatton and Mr. Ryan Doyle as authorized agents for checking vehicles for size, weights, and loads operating on all roads under the Road Commission jurisdiction or as allowed or designated in Lapeer County for the period of January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

123009-216

Motion by Mr. Duckert, Seconded by Mr. Suma to designate Ms. Linette Daily as Privacy Officer for the health plan.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Suma stated that he was pleased that the Road Commission was able to maintain as best as we could. Mr. Hodge went on to thank everyone for the past year and stated that he was looking forward to the next. Mr. Hodge stated that if it wasn't for the front line, no one else would be needed in the organization, and that includes the shop, road crew, engineering and office. Mr. Hodge admitted that the Board doesn't see the day to day operations, but is confident that they are being taken care of professionally.

123009-217

Motion by Mr. Suma seconded by Mr. Duckert to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 a.m.
Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Douglas Hodge, Chairman

Linette Daily, Board Secretary