



**121510-168**

Motion by Mr. Suma seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the bid tabulation for the wood chipper and award to Landmark Machinery, LLC. Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Suma stated that he was glad to see that the Road Commission was upgrading this equipment. Mr. Duckert also commented that he understands this type of chipper is safer and that safety is worth a lot.

Mr. Pearson stated that the Road Commission uses snow removal contractors on a will call basis.

**121510-169**

Motion by Mr. Suma seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the bid tabulations for snow removal. Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearson gave a brief storm update and stated that snow maintenance on Sunday cost around \$85,000.00. Mr. Pearson went on to state that the crews worked thirteen hours on Sunday, fourteen hours on Monday and between eight and thirteen hours on Tuesday, and used 1,100 ton of salt. He explained that they will begin to push back the shoulders next.

Mr. Pearson stated that all of the surrounding counties were in the same condition, when the temperatures fell and the wet snow began to freeze, followed by several inches of new snow. Mr. Pearson explained that the sand was not working on the ice and the crew switched to 100% wet salt to burn through the ice.

Mr. Pearson went on to state that Ms. Denise Secson, the receptionist that works the front desk is a saint and has the toughest job of all dealing with all of the telephone concerns and complaints. Mr. Pearson wanted to commend her for her patience in fielding all of the calls, communicating with the foremen and handling the medical priorities.

Mr. Pearson went on to state that he would pit our crew against any Road Commission, and was very proud of the work they did during this storm.

**Engineering Report:**

Mr. Mainz reported that he had a plan review for the HRRR projects and a Castle Road meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Mr. Mainz stated that Mayfield Township really wanted rumble strips at certain intersections in their Township.

Mr. Mainz stated that he did the crash reviews and suggested lower cost alternatives like double stop signs, stop ahead signs and sign post strip reflectors.

Mr. Mainz also stated that he was putting together the bids for traffic signal maintenance and bridge inspections.

Mr. Doyle stated that the easement has been obtained from Elba, so those safety plans have been submitted, and the project will be let in March or April.

Mr. Doyle also stated that Commissioner Dave Taylor invited everyone to his retirement party on December 30, 2010.

Mr. Doyle also explained that MDOT denied the Kidder Road jurisdictional change for the Village of Almont.

Mr. Doyle stated that the Village will have to correct the property description for the Drakeshire Subdivision to include the right of way. Mr. Doyle stated that the Drakeshire Subdivision was added in 1995 and the description doesn't match. Mr. Doyle explained that the Village will need to get this corrected before frost laws or he will have to post the road.

Mr. Doyle also stated that Mr. John Cosens was retiring from the Drain Commission.

**Public Comment:**

Ms. Nancy Elliott wished the Road Commission "Happy Holidays".

**Board Discussion**

Mr. Hodge asked the Board for a decision on the Brocker Road Petition for a Natural Beauty Road.

**121510-170**

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Suma to deny the Petition for Natural Beauty Road Designation. Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Suma stated that the request for the 25 mph speed limit cannot be controlled on a dead end road, and that the foremen would not be able to maintain the roadway the way they would like to.

Mr. Duckert stated that he based his decision on the concerns from the fire department, Township and the foremen. Mr. Duckert explained that the road will maintain its beauty and the Road Commission will be able to maintain a safe roadway for the residents.

**121510-171**

Motion by Mr. Suma seconded by Mr. Duckert to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

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

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Joseph Suma, Vice Chairman

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Linette Daily, Board Secretary