

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, June 11, 2014
4:30 p.m.**

Present: Mr. Gary Howell, Chairman; Mr. Dale Duckert, Vice Chairman; Mr. Michael Hemmingsen, Member
In Attendance: Ms. Linette Daily, Board Secretary; Ms. Tami Erickson, Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Ryan Doyle,
County Highway Engineer

Also in attendance: Mr. Destain Gingell, Mr. Charles Buckel, Mr. Rick Brandt, Mr. Zeb Schons

Mr. Gary Howell, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Lapeer County Road Commission Building. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

061114-103

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

061114-104

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for May 28, 2014. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS

061114-105

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve disbursements dated June 12, 2014 in the amount of \$287,417.86. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PROJECTS

061114-106

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the following projects:

Arcadia Township

504 002 143199 Dust Control, Chloride Solutions, 2 Applications with an Optional 3rd
Estimated Cost: \$25,550.73/Allocation \$12,775.37/Township \$12,775.37

Goodland Township

504 009 143899 Dust Control, Road Maintenance, 1 Application
Estimated Cost: \$11,505.78/Allocation \$5,752.89/Township \$5,752.89

Imlay Township

504 011 144099 Dust Control, Road Maintenance, 1 Application
Estimated Cost: \$9,528.48 Township

Mayfield Township

504 014 144300 120 Ton Gravel, Hauled and Spread, Maple Drive between Farnsworth and Dead-End
Estimated Cost: \$2,000.00 Township

North Branch Township

489 016 144500 Load, Haul, Level, Brine Only, 160,000 Ton Gravel, To be Spread on all local roads
Estimated Cost: \$592,000.00 Township

489 016 144501 15,000 Ton of Gravel Only (Hauling, leveling, and brining included in Total Work Order 489
016 144500) Estimated Cost: \$48,000.00 Township

504 016 144502 Replace Cross Tube between Cedar Creek and Slattery
Estimated Cost: \$3,200.00 Township

504 016 144503 Replace 2 Cross Tubes between Cedar Creek and Lake Pleasant, 18"x40'
Estimated Cost: \$3,600.00 Township

Metamora Township

490 015 144801 Replace bridge on Brocker Road
Estimated Cost: \$72,731.77/ Bridge Fund \$29,092.71/Township \$43,639.06
Motion carried.

ENGINEERING REPORT

061114-107

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve Preliminary Engineering Contract for A Safety Improvement Project for Fish Lake Road from Daley Road to Mott Road with Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc. in the amount of \$30,590.23 and authorize Mr. Doyle to sign. Motion carried.

061114-108

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve Preliminary Engineering Contract for Washburn Road at Columbiaville Road Safety Project with Rowe Professional Services Company in the amount of \$16,977.96, and authorize Mr. Howell, Mr. Duckert and Mr. Hemmingsen to sign. Motion carried.

061114-109

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve Change Order to Contract with Rowe Professional Services Company for Lake Nepessing Road Project from Hunt Road to north of Eastbound I-69 ramps, approximately .44 miles in the amount of \$13,000.00 for a new total of \$28,504.00 and authorize Mr. Howell to sign. Motion carried.

061114-110

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve Contract for Engineering Services with Rowe Professional Services Company for design and detail for temporary supports for span length reduction with corresponding load rating analysis for Imlay City Road Bridge over the Belle River Drain in the amount of \$5,000.00, with Scotts Company paying \$2,500.00, and authorize Mr. Doyle to sign. Motion carried.

061114-111

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve Michigan Department of Transportation Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Contract 14-5280 for pass flare work along Bowers Road at the intersection of Roods Lake Road; including hot mix asphalt paving, concrete curb and gutter, and minor drainage work; and all together with necessary work, and authorize Mr. Howell and Mr. Duckert to sign. Estimated Cost: \$175,300/Federal Funds \$143,500/LCRC \$31,500. Motion carried.

061114-112

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve Michigan Department of Transportation Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Contract 14-5368 for the performance of preliminary engineering activities for passing flare work along northbound Saginaw Road at the intersection of Davis Lake Road; and all together with necessary related work, and authorize Mr. Howell and Mr. Duckert to sign. Estimated Cost: \$29,400/Federal Funds \$24,100/LCRC \$5,300. Motion carried.

061114-113

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve Michigan Department of Transportation D Funded Project Contract 14-5303 for the rehabilitation work at the intersection of Lake Pleasant Road and Lum Road; including bas crushing and shaping, hot mix asphalt paving, storm sewer, concrete curb and gutter, and pavement marking work; and all together with necessary related work, and authorize Mr. Howell and Mr. Duckert to sign. Estimated Cost: \$239,900/Federal Funds \$88,800/State Funds \$112,800/LCRC \$38,300. Motion carried.

061114-114

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve the Utility Agreement with Keregnondi Water Authority for Stanley Road from German Road to Genesee County Line, with the change under PERMIT HOLDER Responsibility from “recommended” to “required”, and authorize Mr. Howell, Mr. Duckert and Mr. Hemmingsen to sign. Motion carried.

Mr. Doyle stated that he is still arguing with KWA regarding a few major issues.

Mr. Doyle reported that the Hollenbeck Road project is almost complete and the Dryden Road project is slated to begin on Monday or Tuesday. Mr. Doyle explained that the Baldwin Road project was let last week and came in 5% over the engineer’s estimate. This project will start after the Fourth of July.

Mr. Doyle asked the Board to think about what to do about the roundabout issue where the City of Lapeer and Elba Township both want to maintain the center island. Mr. Doyle reminded the Board of the informational meeting which is going to take place on June 25, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Elba Township Hall.

PUBLIC TIME

Mr. Gary Moore, 5864 Baldwin Road

Mr. Moore stated that he is a property owner on Baldwin Road and as a result of the road improvement project on this road a large old oak tree is slated to be cut down, but a telephone pole that is only 23 feet from the center of the road is not planned to be moved. Mr. Moore explained that the tree is thirteen feet in circumference and at least 150 years old. Mr. Moore stated that the tree should be preserved and not cut down just because the Road Commission doesn’t like trees.

Mr. Doyle explained that the project has a limited amount of tree removal, probably between 27-29’ from the center of the road, but that will be determined after the contractor gives the actual estimate. Mr. Doyle went on to state that the amount of good the project offers outweighs the removal of nice trees. Mr. Doyle stated that Baldwin Road has the highest ADT for a gravel road in Lapeer County. Mr. Doyle explained that all safety projects vary in the exact distance from the center of the road that trees are removed, based on the amount of funds that are available for that portion of the project.

Mr. Gingell stated that the referenced electrical pole is 25 feet from the center of the road and should be moved to 31 feet. It was explained that the current location was allowed in the past by the Road Commission, so it is difficult to get them to move the poles, but it has been requested.

Mr. Duckert stated that he has issues with the “Y” shaped driveway, and doesn’t think it is a safe situation for motorists pulling out onto Baldwin Road.

Mr. Doyle stated that a pre-construction meeting has been set for June 24, 2014, at which time the Road Commission will know how far back the trees will be cut.

Mr. Howell stated that at this time the Board would have to defer the tree removal to the engineering department and contractors to determine if the tree will be removed.

Mr. Bob Bernhoft, Lapeer Boat Club/JC Properties

Mr. Bernhoft explained that he would like to add new restrooms to the Lapeer Boat Club which would be barrier free to make them handicap accessible, and a needed addition to the building. Mr. Bruce Calhoun from Creekwood Architecture presented drawings which showed how the addition onto the building encroaches onto the existing road right of way. Brief discussion ensued regarding the layout of the property and the roadway. It was stated that the property owner would have to submit a petition for abandonment for the Road Commission to relinquish ownership to the Township.

Mr. Richard Brandt, Hadley Township

Mr. Brandt spoke about Cramton Road and the flooding issue that happens every spring. Mr. Brandt explained that the problem exists due to an eight inch tile that is not maintained. The tile is out of the right of way and continues to be the source of the problem. Mr. Brandt asked the Road Commission to have the engineering department look at the drainage issue and make a recommendation to resolve the flooding problem.

Mr. Schons stated that the District Foreman is looking into the problem and is going to take shots to see what can be done. Mr. Brandt stated that the tile is not a county drain, but is used to move the water away from this area.

Mr. Brandt also spoke about a sight vision issue on the southwest corner of Herd Road. Mr. Doyle stated that the trunk of the tree is off of the right of way.

Mr. Brandt went on to state that last night at their Township Meeting there were 40 people present and when the ballot proposal was presented to those in attendance, it was the consensus to vote down the option to place the language on the November ballot to allow the Lapeer County voters the option to make the choice. Mr. Brandt stated that the residents felt that they were giving more in taxes than they would be receiving in return. It was stated that the millage proceeds were going to also be used on primary roads all throughout the county, in which all Hadley Township residents use.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Mr. Howell stated that he would not be present at the June 25, 2014 Regular Meeting.

Mr. Howell stated that he had received a complaint from the Burlington Township Clerk regarding dust control. Ms. Erickson explained that Burlington Township went direct with their dust control, so they are responsible for following up with the contractor regarding any issues they encounter.

Mr. Howell declared the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Dale Duckert, Vice Chairman

Linette Daily, Board Secretary