

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, April 15, 2015
4:30 p.m.**

Present: Mr. Gary Howell, Chairman; Mr. Dale Duckert, Vice Chairman; Mr. Michael Hemmingsen
In Attendance: Mr. Ryan Doyle, County Highway Engineer; Ms. Linette Daily, Board Secretary; Mr. Erick Pearson; Managing Director; Mr. Destain Gingell, Staff Engineer

Also in attendance: Mr. Charles Buckel, Mr. Robert Van Den Berg, Mrs. Dolores Van Den Berg, Mr. Mark Van Den Berg, Mr. Nate Van Den Berg, Mrs. Heather Treizenberg, Mr. Camden Treizenberg, and Mr. Rick Brandt

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

041515-055

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve the agenda with the slight change to move the announcement Mr. Robert Van Den Berg's retirement to the top of the agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

041515-056

Motion by Mr. Hemmingsen, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for April 1, 2015. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearson explained that Mr. Van Den Berg spent his whole Road Commission career in the shop area. Mr. Pearson went on to state that he worked in the shop with Mr. Van Den Berg, and knows that Mr. Van Den Berg has worked on all of the pieces of equipment at the Road Commission, including the pump station at Fish Lake and Haines. Mr. Pearson added that Mr. Van Den Berg was a great addition to the operation of the organization, and it was well known that his family was very important to him.

Mr. Pearson explained that Mr. Van Den Berg was a very dedicated employee, and has taught him many things mechanically. Mr. Pearson spoke about Mr. Van Den Berg's methodical ways and the way he breaks down a mechanical issue. Mr. Pearson stated that all three of Mr. Van Den Berg's sons worked as seasonal help with the Road Commission and we will be losing a lot of years of knowledge.

Mr. Howell added that he has known Mr. Van Den Berg through Goodland Township and values him as an asset. Mr. Van Den Berg then introduced his wife, Dolores, his sons Mark and Nate and daughter Heather, and his grandson Camden.

Mr. Van Den Berg stated the no one person is any better than the people that surround them, and went on to comment that Mr. Chuck Buckel is a fine example for the shop. Mr. Van Den Berg stated that he has enjoyed working with the maintenance crew, foremen, office staff, engineering and management. Mr. Van Den Berg stated that his job was a crossroads of many things, and he looked forward to the challenge and experience he faced each day. Mr. Van Den Berg thanked the Board for the opportunity to work for the Road Commission. Mr. Duckert stated that he also has known Mr. Van Den Berg for a long time, and he has gotten assistance from him with a couple projects.

041515-057

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

**BE IT KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS THAT
In Special Recognition of
Robert Van Den Berg, Lapeer County Road Commission**

WHEREAS, Robert Van Den Berg started with the Road Commission on October 3, 1994 as a Mechanic in the Lapeer garage, became Working Foreman for Lapeer on January 3, 1997, and on August 9, 1999 became Shop Forman and has remained there for the remainder of his career; and,

WHEREAS, Robert Van Den Berg is an exemplary and dedicated employee of the Lapeer County Road Commission; and,

WHEREAS, Robert Van Den Berg has used his skills as a Mechanic and knowledge as Shop Foreman to assist the Lapeer County Road Commission in purchasing and maintaining the facilities of the Road Commission for the past twenty one plus years; and,

WHEREAS, as a result of Robert Van Den Berg’s attentiveness and work ethic, he has contributed greatly to the excellent state of the Lapeer County Road Commissions equipment and garage’s.

WHEREAS, Robert Van Den Berg will be retiring April 24th, 2015 after more than twenty one years of faithful service to the community; and,

WHEREAS, Robert Van Den Berg’s loyalty, dedication and hard work will be missed by one and all.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Lapeer County Road Commissioners, does hereby extend our sincere thanks and heartfelt gratitude.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be entered into the records of the Board of Lapeer County Road Commissioners, Lapeer County, State of Michigan on this Fifteenth day of April, 2015, there to remain forever.

Motion carried.

Mr. Doyle, Mr. Buckel, Mr. Gingell and Ms. Daily also thanked Mr. Van Den Berg for the various ways he gave each of them assistance over the years.

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS

041515-058

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve disbursements dated April 16, 2015 in the amount of \$469,653.99. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PROJECTS

041515-059

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

Almont Township

504 001 153000 18” x 40’ cross culvert to be placed on Shoemaker Road between Dryden and Tubspring Roads
Estimated Cost \$2,300.00/Township Cost \$2,300.00

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504 001 153001 24” x 40’ Cross Culvert to be placed on Muir Road between Hollow Corners and Dryden Roads. Estimated Cost \$2,300.00/Township Cost \$2,300.00

489 001 153002 10,000 Ton 22A Natural Aggregate at \$8.95 to be placed on various roads. LCRC forces to provide leveling and brine only. Estimated Cost \$89,500.00/Township Cost \$89,500.00

504 001 153003 5,000 Ton Limestone @ \$17.14 to be placed on Shoemaker Road between Hough and General Squier Roads. Estimated Cost \$85,700.00/Allocation \$20,898.91/Township Cost \$64,801.09

489 001 153004 1,000 Ton Limestone at \$17.14 to be placed on Howland Road between Tubspring and Dryden Roads. Estimated Cost \$17,140.00/Township Costs \$17,140.00

504 001 153015 Roadside Mowing to be performed by Ray Evans & Sons. One Double Swath on various local roads. Estimated Cost \$5,300.00/Township Cost \$5,300.00

504 001 153020 Dust Control Two applications on various local roads, To be performed by Road Maintenance. Estimated Cost \$22,300.20/Township Cost \$22,300.20

Attica Township

489 003 153200 10,000 Ton of gravel to be placed on various roads. LCRC forces to provide leveling and brine only. Estimated Cost \$9,500.00/Allocation \$4,750.00/Township \$4,750.00

489 003 153201 3,000 Ton gravel to be placed on various roads. LCRC forces to provide leveling and brine only. Estimated Cost \$2,850.00/Allocation \$1,425.00/Township \$1,425.00

504 003 153220 Dust Control to be applied by Road Maintenance. Up to three applications. Estimated Cost Application one: \$10,679.76/Allocation 5,339.88/Township \$5,339.88 Application two: Estimated Cost \$10,679.76/Allocation \$5,339.88/Township \$5,339.88 Application three: Estimated Cost \$10,679.76/Allocation \$797.98/Township \$9,881.78

Motion carried.

Mr. Duckert commented that Doran Road is a good example of the gravel programs paying off, as this road is now a nice gravel road with the additional material.

MANAGER’S REPORT

041515-060

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve the Lawn Maintenance Bid Tabulations and award the bid to D&W Lawn Care at \$47.00 per cut. Motion carried.

Mr. Doyle spoke briefly about the updated Social Media Policy. Mr. Doyle stated that Ms. Tamela Cleeton was instrumental in putting together the policy. It was stated that the social media feed will be an information outlet only.

041515-061

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve the new Social Media Policy. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearson stated that he attended the Rich Township meeting in order to discuss their concerns regarding Barnes Road bridge. Mr. Pearson explained to their Board that he understands the bridge load rating is an inconvenience, and is attempting to add the expense to the budget if funds are available later in the year. Mr. Pearson stated that they also discussed the Millington Road paved portion and the section to the east of M-24, and also talked about Proposal 1. Mr. Pearson stated that he then traveled to Mayfield Township to catch part of their meeting.

Mr. Pearson reported that he had his ride around with the MDOT representatives, and it was determined that the curb north of the viaduct on M-53 in Imlay City will be replaced and may be remarked in the northerly section past Imlay City Road.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Mr. Doyle reported that the Weight Restrictions will be lifted on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.

Mr. Doyle stated that the Lake Pleasant Road project came in .25 percent below the engineer's estimate and Ace will be prime on the project.

Mr. Doyle explained that the tree cutting projects are mostly complete, and he has advertised an RFP for the safety design for two new projects. Mr. Doyle stated that he is also working on the 2018 critical bridge application.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Rick Brandt, Hadley Township Trustee

Mr. Brandt stated that Hadley Township had approved 10,000 ton of gravel, and had tabled the chip seal project. Mr. Brandt reported that with this last 10,000 ton of gravel, the Township will have finished it's ten year gravel project, and may consider and overlay in the future.

Mr. Howell commented that the Road Commission appreciates what the Townships do for the roads.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Mr. Duckert stated that the roads seemed to have come through the winter okay, and he thinks it is a good idea to hold off until next week to lift the weight restrictions, to give the frost additional time to come out.

Mr. Howell reported that he received a complaint from a resident regarding the KWA project, and explained that the resident was told that they were performing the extreme clearing measures because of the Road Commission requirements. Mr. Doyle explained that KWA chose to do it this way. Mr. Howell then asked what will happen to the paved roads. Mr. Doyle explained that the roads will be crushed and one 2.5" lift of asphalt will be placed and the gravels will have two inches of new material added.

Mr. Howell declared the meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.