

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
Wednesday, December 21, 2016  
4:30 p.m.**

Present: Mr. Michael Hemmingsen, Chairman; Mr. Dale Duckert, Vice Chairman; Mr. James Novak, Member  
In Attendance: Ms. Linette Daily, Board Secretary; Mr. Erick Pearson, Managing Director; Mr. Destain  
Gingell, County Highway Engineer

Also in attendance: Mr. Les Nichols, Mr. Aaron Flynn, Ms. Terry Reith, Mr. Richard Duthler

Mr. Michael Hemmingsen, 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**

**122116-236**

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

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**122116-237**

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for December  
7, 2016. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS**

**122116-238**

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve disbursements dated December 22, 2016 in  
the amount of \$428,849.05. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PROJECTS**

**122116-239**

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen to approve the following project:  
Burlington Township- 504 004 163307- Replace 2 Cross Culverts on McKillop Road, 18" x 36' and 18" x 34'.  
Estimated Cost: \$3,500.00 Motion carried.

**MANAGING DIRECTOR REPORT**

Mr. Pearson explained to the Board that the 2016-1 Budget Amendment had been prepared to reflect the final  
accounting for year end. Mr. Pearson stated that the 2016 Federal Aid projects have not been billed yet and  
will reduce the fund balance within the next few months.

**122116-240**

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Hemmingsen approve Budget Amendment 2016-1 Dated  
12/21/2016. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearson stated that the recent snow event totals consisted of 491 hours of overtime, 400 hours of double  
time, and 1,000 ton of salt was used.

At 4:45 p.m. Mr. Novak arrived.

Mr. Pearson reported that after further research on Davison Lake Road regarding the water issue, a pipe was located, but all attempts to stop the flow of water have failed. We will follow up with our legal counsel to determine how we should proceed. Mr. Novak explained that he has a couple residents that are concerned as well about the danger the freezing water creates.

**ENGINEERING REPORT**

**122116-241**

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Novak to approve TCO1(06)2016 In accordance with Engineer's recommendation, that Burnside Road over the N. Branch of the Flint River between O'Brien Road and M-24 in Deerfield Township be posted as with a 3 Ton Gross Vehicle Weight Limit. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Ms. Terry Reith, 4717 Clear Water Drive, Hadley, MI 48440**

Ms. Reith explained that she was present to speak about the intersection of Green Corners Road and Pratt Road. Ms. Reith stated that her son was recently involved in a car accident at this intersection when a motorist failed to stop at the stop sign on Green Corners Road at Pratt Road. Ms. Reith went on to state that the stop sign is difficult to see with the wide pine trees. Ms. Reith suggested lighting the intersection or adding a blinking light.

**Mr. Aaron Flynn, 4717 Clearwater Drive, Hadley, MI 48440**

Mr. Flynn stated that he was the driver that was involved in the accident. Mr. Flynn explained that he was present to also ask that the intersection be reviewed and improved in any way that was possible to avoid any further accidents.

The other motorist who ran the stop sign was also present and explained to the Board that he was not familiar with the area and did not see the signage on Green Corners Road at or near the intersection.

Mr. Hemmingsen thanked the residents for bringing the issue to the Road Commission and stated that Mr. Gingell will look at the intersection to determine what may be done to improve site distance.

**Mr. Richard Duthler, County Surveyor**

Mr. Richard Duthler was present to speak to the Board regarding the cost to set new monument boxes when he is re-establishing monument corners. Mr. Duthler stated that according to his predecessor, Mr. Ray Davis, the Road Commission used to pick up the cost for this procedure. Mr. Duthler explained how his budget is so small that he would like to be able to stretch it to place as many new boxes as possible to assist with the markings, which assist the Road Commission, surveyors and residents. Mr. Duthler added that he anticipates only setting one or two new boxes a year, and that when he is able to re-write his grant, he will include these fees in the new proposal. Mr. Duthler stated that in a busy year, the most he will do is three.

Mr. Duthler explained that the new monument boxes are an improvement from the PK nail that is currently placed in the road. The monument boxes reserve the right of way in a better manner.

Mr. Pearson stated that the Road Commission used to have surveyors on staff that would perform the job and when we no longer had a surveyor on staff, the Road Commission would cover the cost of the placement.

Mr. Duthler stated that he would like the Road Commission and County Surveyor to work together.

Mr. Hemmingsen stated that the Board will discuss the proposal and respond shortly.

**COMMISSIONERS REPORT AND COMMENTS**

Mr. Hemmingsen stated he would like to thank everyone at the Road Commission and the Board Members for their time and dedication. Mr. Hemmingsen went on to say that he has enjoyed his times as a Road Commissioner.

Mr. Pearson stated that he appreciated the road experience Mr. Hemmingsen brought to the Road Commission and that he liked how Mr. Hemmingsen was always easy to approach. Mr. Pearson went on to state that Mr. Hemmingsen's knowledge of the roads in Lapeer County will be missed.

Mr. Hemmingsen declared the meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

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James Novak, Jr., Chairman

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Linette Daily, Board Secretary