

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING- ELECTRONIC REMOTE ACCESS
Wednesday, January 13, 2021
4:30 p.m.**

Per the MDHHS Emergency Order under MCL 333.2253, and in accordance with Public Act 228 of 2020, remote access was implemented per the requirements of PA 228 of 2020.

Present. Mr. James Novak, Jr. Chairman; Mr. Les Nichols, Vic Chairman; Mr. Terry Jostock, Member; Mrs. Linette Weston, Board Secretary; Mr. Zeb Schons, Superintendent of Operations; Mr. Erick Pearson, Managing Director

Mr. Novak called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

011321-001

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of Prior Board Meeting Minutes

011321-002

Motion by Commissioner Nichols seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for December 30, 2020. Motion carried.

Approval of Disbursements

011321-003

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll dated January 14, 2021 in the amount of \$946,470.63. Motion carried.

Road Project Agreements

011321-004

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the five Goodland Township Road Project Agreements.

Goodland Township

504-009-213804 Replace X-Tube, 18" x 40', Dudley Road at Cade Road
Estimated Cost: \$3,000.00 Township

504-009-213805 Replace X-Tube, 18" x 40', Fay Road North of Reside Road
Estimated Cost: \$3,000.00 Township

504-009-213806 Replace X-Tube, 18" x 30', End of Dudley Road
Estimated Cost: \$3,000.00 Township

504-009-213807 Replace X-Tube, 60" x 46" x 40', Lyons Road between Summers Road and Blacks Corners Road, Estimated Cost: \$9,622.82/\$4,811.41 Bridge Fund/\$4,811.41 Township

504-009-213808 Replace X-Tube, 48" x 50', Blacks Corners Road between Armstrong Road and Utley Road
Estimated Cost: \$8,622.46/\$4,311.23 Bridge Fund/\$4,311.23 Township
Motion carried.

011321-005

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the three Metamora Township Road Project Agreements.

Metamora Township

490-015-204426 Barber Road Over the South Branch of Flint River-

Phase 1: Design Engineering; construction drawings, EGLE Permit, bid package, bid letting and bid tabulation

Phase 2: The Work consists of furnishing all labor, material, and equipment required for removal of existing structures, installation of a 25' x 6' precast concrete box culvert, backfill, embankment, earth excavation, aggregate surface cse, guardrail, restoration, traffic control, placement of permanent signs, and related work including construction engineering and testing as specified.

Estimated Cost:

Phase 1: \$7,000/Bridge Fund \$3,500/Township \$3,500

Phase 2: \$280,000/Bridge Fund \$140,000/Township \$140,000

490-015-204427 Gardner Road Over the South Branch of Flint River-

Phase 1: Design Engineering; construction drawings, EGLE Permit, bid package, bid letting and bid tabulation

Phase 2: The Work consists of furnishing all labor, material, and equipment required for removal of existing structures, installation of a 23' x 7' precast concrete box culvert, backfill, embankment, earth excavation, aggregate surface cse, guardrail, restoration, traffic control, placement of permanent signs, and related work including construction engineering and testing as specified.

Estimated Cost:

Phase 1: \$7,000/Bridge Fund \$3,500/Township \$3,500

Phase 2: \$343,000/Bridge Fund \$171,700/Township \$171,700

490-015-204428 Davison Lake Road Over the South Branch of Flint River-

Phase 1: Design Engineering; construction drawings, EGLE Permit, bid package, bid letting and bid tabulation

Phase 2: The Work consists of furnishing all labor, material, and equipment required for removal of existing structures, installation of a 19' x 4' precast concrete box culvert, backfill, embankment, earth excavation, aggregate surface cse, guardrail, restoration, traffic control, placement of permanent signs, and related work including construction engineering and testing as specified.

Estimated Cost:

Phase 1: \$7,000/Bridge Fund \$3,500/Township \$3,500

Phase 2: \$267,000/Bridge Fund \$133,500/Township \$133,500

Motion carried.

Managing Director Report

011321-006

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the CRA Ballot and vote for Joanna Johnson for the CRA Board of Director Ballot, Three-Year Term. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearson gave a brief overview of the annual bid tabulations, including signs, culverts, gravel, limestone and chloride. Mr. Pearson stated that there were three incomplete bids due to lack of required documentation. Mr. Pearson stated that in order to protect the integrity of the bid process the bids were deemed incomplete.

Mr. Jostock suggested that straw should also be a bid item. Mr. Pearson agreed that it could be added to the bidding list.

011321-007

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the 2021 Annual Bid Tabulations for Material and Services. Motion carried.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Schons reported that the first Asset Management Zoom meeting was held today for the District One Townships. Mr. Schons stated that the Road Commission would like the Townships to prepare three-to-five-year plans that they can also share with their residents.

Mr. Schons explained that the Road Commission will start with individual Townships in late February to prepare the plans.

Mr. Schons stated that the winter has been good so far to the Road Commission. Mr. Schons gave an update on the purchase of equipment, Foremen/Working Foremen moves, and a COVID 19 update.

Engineering Report

Mr. Pearson asked the Board to approve the Road Certifications for Mr. Gingell.

011321-008

Motion by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the MDOT Road Certifications with Additions and Deletions dated December 31, 2020 and allow Chairman Novak to sign. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearson stated the he also wanted to explain that Mr. Gingell worked hard with Metamora Township regarding the three box culvert contracts that were approved today. Mr. Pearson reported that he is happy to see the townships address these large structures that are past their life cycle.

Mrs. Weston reminded the Board of the Quarterly Blue Water Highway Council Meeting that will take place on Zoom on January 21 at 9:00 a.m.

Mrs. Weston also mentioned to Mr. Jostock that there is a New Commissioners Workshop in Gaylord on February 22, 2021 from 7:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Mrs. Weston reminded the Board of the Annual Meeting that is tentatively scheduled in Lansing March 9-11, 2021. CRA will notify us if it goes remote.

Public Comment

No public comment was received.

Commissioners Reports and Comments

Mr. Jostock stated that the crews did a good job cutting trees on Vernor Road. He stated the logs were cut small enough to be carried away and they are gone. Mr. Jostock also stated that he liked how the stumps were flush cut.

Mr. Nichols stated that the crews are doing a good job on the roads with the freeze-thaw that is happening.

Mr. Novak thanked the crews for a good job during the freezing fog we experienced this week. He went on to applaud the hard work the crews are doing.

Being no further business, Chairman Novak declared the meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

James Novak Jr., Chairman

Linette Weston, Board Secretary