

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Clinton was held on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the boardroom of the Clinton County Road Commission, 3536 S. BR127, St. Johns, MI 48879.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Chairman Peter Blauwiel

Commissioners Present: Peter Blauwiel, Kevin Holt and Gail Watkins

Staff Present: Managing Director Joseph Pulver, Director of Engineering Daniel Armentrout and A/P-Inventory Clerk Alison Simpson

Visitors: Kam Washburn, Attorney Mike Blum, Mike Frederick, Brian Betz

MINUTES:

The minutes of the October 25, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed. It was moved by Commissioner Blauwiel, seconded by Commissioner Holt, and passed unanimously, to approve the October 25, 2018 regular meeting minutes as presented.

AGENDA:

It was moved by Commissioner Holt, seconded by Commissioner Blauwiel, and passed unanimously, to approve the Agenda as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

No communications.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

County Commissioner Washburn reported: 1) Election results- no changes, same County Board, 2) Modular Home Park in Eagle Township has new owners. County Board of Commissioners is looking at making some revisions to the ordinance, 3) The County Health Dept. looking at Septic tank ordinance, plan is to have every septic system inspected every 10 years, County to see where State goes on this.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

STAFF REPORTS:

Mr. Armentrout reported on the following: 1) 2018 Federal Aid projects, 2) County paving update, 3) Review of 2019 projects, 4) 2020 DeWitt area projects, 2020-2023 TIP Development 4) Coleman Road extension 5) Bridge selection for 2021.

Ms. Simpson reported the following: 1) MTF was \$774,967.83 down 5% from last November, 2) Jill attended the Public Relations Conference and thought it was excellent and challenging, and it made her think about the value of PR and whether we should budget more for it in the future? 3) She has been busy with negotiations and all that it entails.

Mr. Pulver reported on the following: 1) Maintenance, 2) MDOT Maintenance, 3) DeWitt non-motorized 4) PR Workshop 5) 2023 TIP with Tri-County 6) Negotiations.

NATIONWIDE GUARANTEED MINIMUM INTEREST RATE CHANGE:

It was moved by Commissioner Holt, seconded by Commissioner Watkins, and passed unanimously to revoke

the prior motion to select Option One and to instead select Option Three which freezes all assets currently in the fixed account at 3.5% but does not allow any new contributions into the fund to be paid at 3.5% as of January 1, 2019.

APPROVAL OF 2019 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING DATE:

It was moved by Commissioner Holt, seconded by Commissioner Watkins, and passed unanimously, to set the 2019 Public Hearing Date for December 13, 2018 at 9:15 a.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF PETITION TO ABANDON A PORTION OF HALL ROAD:

It was moved by Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Holt, and passed unanimously, to accept the petition to abandon a portion of Hall Road, signed by all the adjacent property owners, as presented.

COMPLIANCE METHOD FOR PA 152:

It was moved by Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Holt, and passed unanimously, to adopt the hard cap method of compliance for PA 152 for 2019.

REQUEST FOR "MEMORIAL COUNTY ROAD" SIGNS:

It was moved by Commissioner Holt, seconded by Commissioner Watkins, and passed unanimously, to ACCEPT the request to make portions of Colony and Hollister Roads "Memorial County Roads". The request must be in honor of a fallen soldier and requested by the American Legion and/or the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

2018 CHRISTMAS PARTY:

It was moved by Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Holt, and passed unanimously, to approve the 2018 Christmas Party for December 21, 2018, to be held at the Agro-Liquid facility.

APPROVAL OF RIGHT OF WAY PERMITS:

The right-of-way permits were reviewed by the Board. It was moved by Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Holt, and passed unanimously, to approve the following right-of-way permits: 237-18 through 248 -18.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS AND PAYROLLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Holt, seconded by Commissioner Watkins, and passed unanimously, to approve vouchers (#62589 - #62619 and electronic checks) and payroll checks (#90953 – #90966 and direct deposit advices) as presented, in the total amount of \$298,602.68.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Holt – Discussion on how the interview for the managing director will be handled.

Commissioner Watkins – Crews are doing a good job. Travelled into other counties and ours look fantastic.

Commissioner Blauwiekel – Scraping of gravel roads, looks great!

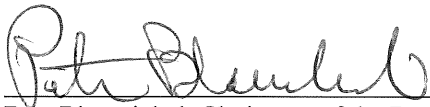
EXECUTIVE SESSION - NEGOTIATING

It was moved by Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Holt, and passed unanimously, to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing negotiating strategy.

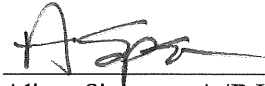
It was moved by Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Holt, and passed unanimously, to reconvene the regular board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. with the next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 21, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.



Pete Blauwiel, Chairman of the Board



Alison Simpson, A/P-Inventory Clerk

