

BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

NO 1955

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, January 14, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent:

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Tim Nestle opened the floor to appoint Chairman and Vice Chairman. A motion to appoint John Currie as Chairman of the Board was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion passed unanimously. A motion to appoint Van Johnson as Vice Chairman of the Board was made by John Currie and seconded by Van Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to allow the Chairman to enter into debate; that the Chairman be allowed to make and/or support any motion; to allow the Chairman to vote on all questions; and public comment is limited to 5 minutes unless waived by the Chairman was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to appoint Amy Kailing, Board Secretary for 2020 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes from December 27, 2019 were approved as written.

Bambi Olson brought a petition to the Board requesting the stop signs at 8 Mile and 170th remain in place. A motion to approve traffic control 144 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

Ron Ketchum asked the road commission to work with him and give him notice if his fence must be removed for the upcoming projects on 13 Mile.

Kenny Vredenburg, Austin Township Supervisor, asked about the possibility of 130th and 155th being turned back to gravel this year. He was informed we will not know until after the spring ride around. Kenny also handed in his 2020 Project Request List. He also asked if the Amish would be allowed a letter of credit on 135th this year. The Board informed him if the township does not want a letter of credit approved then the township needs to send a letter to the Road Commission stating this.

Jerrilynn Strong informed the Board that the County has just started the election of new officers.

The Board reviewed 2020's Project List and Project Estimates.

Tim Nestle informed the Board that there's a structure failing on 120th north of 3 Mile. A meeting is scheduled to talk to the DEQ about what we can do to fix the structure for Wednesday, January 15, 2020.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1956

A motion for Road Certification 20-01 of no changes was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to open bids for pickup trucks and wetland mitigation at 10:00 am was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

Amy Kailing reviewed financial reports with the Board.

Tim Nestle informed the Board that random testing services requirements were changing for 2020 so pricing would increase. The Board approved changing companies.

A motion to approve truck 349's engine was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

The Board reviewed the incident/accident report.

The Board reviewed correspondences from Truck & Trailer and Morningstar's letter to Colfax Township.

A motion to pay the vouchers in the amount of \$173,349.45 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette.

Karla Miller, Mecosta County Drain Commissioner, updated the Board on the projects she's currently working on.

A motion to move April's Board Meeting from Tuesday, April 21, 2020 to Tuesday, April 14, 2020 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to purchase 2 mobile lifts was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette.

A motion to allow Finance Director to change short term disability companies was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:50am was made Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.


CHAIRMAN


BOARD SECRETARY

2/11/20
DATE

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1958

The board reviewed the letter from Michael Cavender, Tim informed them that a claim form was sent to the resident.

A motion to pay the vouchers in the amount of \$423,896.01 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette.


A motion to sign the bid for the 2019 audit was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:05am was made Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.


CHAIRMAN


BOARD SECRETARY




DATE

BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

NO 1957

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, February 11, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent: Amy Kailing

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Camra Shanteau, Administrative Assistant.

Karla Miller, Mecosta County Drain Commissioner, updated the Board on the project on 13 Mile Road.

Jerrilynn Strong informed the Board that the County bought two new ambulance's and that the 4th one is up and running full time.

Minutes from January 14th, 2020 were approved as written.

Tim Nestle provided the truck bids to the board, Van Johnson made a motion to purchase a total of 5 Chevy pickups, seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

The Board reviewed 2020's Project List and Project Estimates, board approved Tim to send the projects out for bid.

The Board reviewed the correspondence involving Ron Ketchum.

Tim Nestle informed the Board he met with the DEQ regarding the structure failing on 120th Ave north of 3 mile. The DEQ will allow the culvert to be replaced.

Tim Nestle reviewed financial reports with the Board.

The Board reviewed the incident/accident report.

The bid extension letter for F & B Tree Cutting was brought to the board, Van Johnson made a motion to approve the bid extension from 2019 to 2020. Mike Wernette seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved that the annual bids were good to send out.

The Board reviewed a letter from Austin Township, discussing weight restrictions and the letter of credit on file. The board came to an agreement that if the letter of credit was going to be extended for the 2020 weight restrictions the Sawmill would have to fund the cost of repairing the road in 2020 because of damages.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1961

The Board agreed offer voluntary unpaid leave to employees due to COVID-19.

A motion to go into closed session to hear complaints or charges brought against road commission in Grievance Settlement with employee's permission was made at 11:02 am by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

Closed session was adjourned at 11:14 am.

A motion to have the road commissions attorney draft a response the Grievance Settlement was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion passed with Mike Wernette abstaining from vote.

A motion to change April's Board Meeting to April 21, 2020 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the Letter of Credit on 135th Ave.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:59 pm was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion passed unanimously.



CHAIRMAN

BOARD SECRETARY

4/9/20

DATE

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1960

A motion for the cost of brining to be shared 50/50 with townships and road commission in 2021 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to accept brine contracts from Big Rapids Township, Sheridan Township, and Chippewa Township was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

Tim Nestle undated the Board on the M-20 all season status. MDOT found historical soil samples, a recommendation was made and sent to Lansing for approval.

A motion to accept the bid from Cook Equipment to purchase a gradall for \$89,000.00 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Tim Nestle informed the Board that a draw should be taken on 135th Letter of Credit. The Board discussed the matter and decided to table a decision until next month.

A motion to accept the Wetland Mitigation contract from GEI Consultants of Michigan was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the incident/accident report.

A motion to open bids was made at 10:00am by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed Tom Lodden's Retirement letter.

The Board reviewed correspondence's regarding CRA bonding proposal and 2020 Commissioners seminar.

A motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$686,149.73 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

The Board decided to start 4/10's, 7am-5:30pm, starting April 6th. The workday start time can be changed later at managers discretion.

The Board agreed to close the office to the public, limit vendors entering the building to by appointment only and all shipments are to be left at the door due to COVID-19.

BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

NO 1959

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, March 17, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent:

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from February 11, 2020 were approved as written.

Karla Miller, Drain Commissioner, asked the Board if Tonka Drain could wait to be replaced until August. She also informed the Board that the Ford Drain may be a potential project.

Pam Gilbert, Fork Township Trustee, inquired about the roads in Fork Township and potential projects.

Shirley Sprague, Sheridan Township Treasurer, asked if there is a possibility for cost sharing with the road commission on the potential project of 18 Mile west of M66.

Dan Hoeh, Green Township resident, asked the Board if grading gravel roads had begun and wondered if the approach to Hoover Rd from 190th could be lengthened.

Kenny Vredenburg, Austin Township Supervisor, informed the Board that the township decided to put \$150,000.00 towards roads this year. He would like 4" of gravel up on 7 Mile, 135th Ave, and 140th Ave. He does not want money spent on tree trimming or ditching.

Jerrilynn Strong informed the Board that EMS is getting an ambulance refurbished. Starting March 19, 2020, the courthouse will be locked down and open by appointments only. Commission on Aging will be closed as well but they will continue to deliver meals on wheels curbside only.

Amy Kailing reviewed financial with the Board.

The Board reviewed 2020 Project List.

Tim Nestle informed the Board Aetna Township decided not to do anything on 4 Mile.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1959

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The Board reviewed 2020 Project List.

Tim Nestle informed the Board Aetna Township decided not to do anything on 4 Mile.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1963

A motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$401,756.53 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.


A motion to open bids for used tractors was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to pay up to \$70,000.00 to purchase 2 used tractors was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to approve Letters of Understanding for Employee and Supervisor Contracts was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$110,000.00 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.


A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 10:58 a.m. by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.



CHAIRMAN



BOARD SECRETARY



DATE

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1962

The special meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Thursday, April 9, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent:

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners:

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from March 17, 2020 were approved as written.

Amy Kailing reviewed the financials with the Board.

The Board reviewed the 2020 Project List.

A motion to approve brine contracts from Martiny Township, Aetna Township, Deerfield Township, Big Rapids Township, Green Township, Hinton Township, Colfax Township, and Mecosta Township was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approved Critical Bridge Application Resolution #20-02 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve 2020 annual bid tabs was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed 135th Letter of Credit.

The Board reviewed letters from MITA, MDOT, CRA regarding COVID-19.

Tim Nestle informed the Board that the order for the Flint New Holland tractor was cancelled.

The Board reviewed the Incident/Accident Report.

The Board reviewed correspondence regarding 11 Mile from 187th to Ontahnagon.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1967

A motion to extend the lease for Hansen Pit was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

Tim Nestle gave the Board an update on the Boyd Pit Property Lease.

Tim Nestle updated the Board on hiring mechanics, seasonal mowers and incident/accident report.

The Board reviewed correspondences regarding Ford Drain, CRASIF Call for Candidates, MCRCSIP Ballots and Meier Correspondence.

A motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$913,500.84 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Tim Nestle informed the Board about MDOT Bridge Bundle.

A motion to accept final budget revision was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion for Board Chairman to sign Act 51 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to accept OPEB Report was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:19 am was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.



CHAIRMAN

BOARD SECRETARY

DATE

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1966

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, June 16, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent:

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from May 19, 2020 were approved as written.

Mort Meier, Green Township resident, asked that more maintenance work be done to 220th Ave between 19 and 22 Mile Road.

Kelly Cushway, Green Township resident, asked if the road commission had more of a long-term plan for road maintenance specifically 220th Ave.

Jim Chapman, Green Township Supervisor, asked for mowing on Ross Parkway and update on 220th bridge. The federal funding fell through for this round but could be added later.

Nancy Steffen, Green Township Trustee, asked if the road commission was going to pursue a road millage this year. The road commission is not pursuing a millage this year.

Jack Rutter, Lynwood Lane, asked about the water by the road and what can be done about it.

Jerrilynn Strong let the Board know zoom meeting are continuing for the county. The county has gone down to 3 ambulances because that is all that's needed currently. The county is trying the workshare program.

Amy Kailing reviewed the finance reports with the Board.

The Board reviewed the 2020 Project List.

A motion to accept township contracts was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to accept Resolution 20-03 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1969

The Board reviewed Steve Snavelly's retirement letter.

A motion to open bid's for gravel haul was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to pay vouchers in the amount of \$515,666.74 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to adjourn was made at 10:36am by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.



CHAIRMAN

BOARD SECRETARY

DATE

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1968

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, July 21, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent:

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from June 16, 2020 were approved as written.

Jack Rutter, Lynwood Lane, asked about getting rid of the standing water in the catch basin.

Bill Schoner, Martiny Township resident, asked what was done to 80th and Cleveland. He also shared concerns about 95th and 15 Mile Rd water problems.

Jim Chapman, Green Township Supervisor, asked about plans for 230th.

Julie Austin, Chippewa Township Treasurer, asked about 23 Mile Rd and asked for a bid on 65th between 19 and 20 Mile.

Jerrilynn Strong informed the Board that Monday all county workers will be back to work, virtual meetings will continue at this time and they're waiting for the ambulance to be lettered.

Amy Kailing reviewed the finance reports with the Board. A motion to accept budget revision July-20 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

The Board reviewed the project list.

A motion to approve Traffic Control Order #145 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to extend the Hansen gravel lease for 5 years was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed Griswold Plat in Chippewa Township.

Tim Nestle informed the board a complaint was made to OSHA.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1972

Tim Nestle informed the Board the Ash Dr project will be starting, 3rd round of brine will be starting, the asphalt was removed from the catch basin on Lynwood Lane, F&B will be starting to cut dead trees on MDOT roads, 135th gravel haul is 2/3's done, waiting on L&D to schedule Austin Twp project and winter maintenance sand for all garages, Paul Bunyan's August meeting will be on zoom.

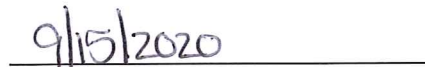
A motion to approve Act 51 Annual Certification of Employee-related Conditions was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved Sub-Recipient Application for Certification of Title VI and EEO Compliance and Assurances.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:19am was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.



CHAIRMAN

BOARD SECRETARY

DATE

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1971

The Board reviewed the 2020 Project List.

A motion to approve \$750,000.00 more paving under the 2020 paving program and payments would not be required until August 1, 2021 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to accept contracts from Fork, Chippewa and Big Rapids Townships was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to approve Morley Stanwood School North Driveway contract for \$6,300.00 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Tim Nestle informed the Board that Mecosta Township submitted Resolution 2020-002 requesting to install a streetlight at the intersection of 20th Ave and 8 Mile Rd.

Tim Nestle informed the Board that MDOT changed the classification of M-20 from 190th Ave to 172nd Ave from a seasonal route to an all-season route. Also, the road commission received 2020 Act 51 Certification.

A motion to accept Dale Dukes & Sons Inc guardrail bid on 13 Mile over Winters Creek was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

The Board reviewed the updated COVID-19 response plan and paved surface condition trends.

The Board reviewed and approved the mowing contract with Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

The Board reviewed and approved CRASIF's 2020 Board of Trustees Election.

The Board reviewed correspondences regarding Michigan paving 2021 emulsion pricing, 175th and Angling Rd, and 19 Mile west of M66.

A motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$697,590.82 was made by Mike Wernette and seconded by Van Johnson. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

The Board reviewed the equipment that would be included in the upcoming auction.

BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

NO 1970

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, August 18, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent:

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from July 21, 2020 were approved as written.

Jack Rutter, Lynwood Lane resident, voiced concerns about water in ditch in his yard.

Gary Campbell, Wheatland Township resident, shared his concerns about Taylor Road.

Jim Chapman, Green Township Supervisor, voiced his concerns about the increasing traffic at the intersection of 23 Mile and 180th. He asked about changing signage and adding guardrail on the east side of 180th.

Jim Peek, Green Township Trustee, discussed how the residents seem receptive to the township doing a 5-year road millage for 2 mills.

Wade Caryl, Fork Township Supervisor, thanked the road commission for putting signage out on 60th Ave. Wade agreed to have 10th Ave north of 20 Mile pulverized.

Pam Gilbert, Fork Township Trustee, asked about having 60th Ave ditched, and trees cut.

Tyler Martin, Fork Township resident, asked who plans what roads receive maintenance and when.

Carla Miller, Drain Commissioner, informed the Board that the drain south of the golf course on 13 Mile Rd was started. They'll also be starting Fork Drain once they receive the culvert.

Jerrilynn Strong informed the Board the court is open again. The ambulance is back in service and the oldest ambulance will be taken out of service and possibly sold. They're working on getting activities going at the senior center with social distancing.

Amy Kailing reviewed financials with the Board.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1974

A motion to approve contracts from Village of Barryton and Mecosta Township was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to sign Boyd Pit Property Lease was made by Van Johnson and Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to vote yes on MCRCSIP Ballot was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

Tim Nestle discussed purchasing trucks, brine tractor, and skid steer from MI deal next year; garages will be going back to 5 days a week starting October 28th; advertising to hire 1 mechanic and possibly 2 truck drivers.

A motion to purchase a \$30.00 gift certificate for each employee was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to pay vouchers in the amount of \$963,684.64 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:16 am was made by John Currie and seconded by Van Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.



CHAIRMAN

BOARD SECRETARY

10/20/2020

DATE

BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

NO 1973

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday September 15, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent:

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from August 18, 2020 were approved as written.

Mecosta County property owner discussed concerns about the culvert needing to be replaced on Taylor Rd and 10th Ave. The Board reiterated that this is no longer a certified road and has not been certified since the late 1960's or early 1970's.

Roger Twitchell, Martiny Township resident, wanted to let the Board know the drain on Lynwood Lane is working and does not support getting rid of the drain. He wanted to let the Board know that he agrees with Tim Nestle's solution of raising the road and add proper ditching for the water to be able to drain off the road. He asked for a plan, timetable, cost and who would bear the cost of this solution.

Mike Cornell, Aetna Township resident, raised concern about seasonal roads being blocked off in the township, specifically Van Buren and 210th Ave.

Jim Chapman, Green Township Supervisor, asked the Board to possibly wait to decide on Green Townships' Resolution regarding traffic survey and guardrail on 180th and 23 Mile until after Memorial Day 2021 to get a true read of traffic.

Jerrilynn Strong informed the Board she spoke with Jack Rutter regarding Lynwood Lane and had been out there to look at the issue along with Martiny Township Supervisor. Jerrilynn also discussed the possibility of the Village of Barryton dissolving, working on budget, down to 3 ambulance because they need more paramedics, the county will be finding a designator assessor, County is allocating \$410,800 to parks for The Dragon Trail.

Amy Kailing reviewed financials with the Board.

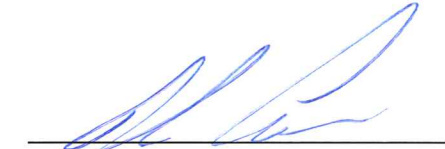
A motion to approve and John to sign 2020 Officer and Employee Delegate Certification Form was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the 2020 Project List.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1977

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 pm was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion approved unanimously.



CHAIRMAN

BOARD SECRETARY

12/8/2020

DATE

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1976

Tim Nestle informed the Board he received clarification from MCRSIP regarding the possibility of the Village of Barryton dissolving. The roads only become the Road Commissions responsibility if they see fit but is not mandatory.

At 10:00 am a motion to open bids for auditing services was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve MERS Adoption Agreement Addendum for Defined Benefit and Defined Contribution was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the incident/accident report.

The Board reviewed correspondences from Deborah Swears to Big Rapid Township.

A motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$852,954.17 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

At 10:30 am interviews for a mechanic and BTO were conducted. Dean Hopkins, Zach Herman, John Hayward and Eric Beistle were interviewed.

Tim Nestle discussed needing to replace the drain in the big shop in the next year or two, we're in the process of getting COVID training, and a request to place drain tile across 3 Mile.

The Board discussed a request from an employee to take unpaid leave for all or part of his workmen's comp visits. The Board denied the request.

A motion to order truck accessories for 2021 capital outlay from Truck & Trailer through MI Deal was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to approve \$175,000 towards used brine tractors was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to give employees a day off for the Safety Gift instead of a gift certificate this year was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

NO 1975

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Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from September 15, 2020 were approved as written.

Ray Steinke, Commissioner of District #4, asked about 130th Ave wedge and the bridge, 155th S of 3 Mile. He also informed the Board that the grading from 3-5 Mile on 155th is horrible but north of 5 Mile grading is great.

Jack Rutter, Lynwood Lane resident, asked to have the catch basin in his yard filled in or replace the tube under the road.

Mecosta County Resident asked about the seasonal road Van Buren between 210th and 220th and what can be done about a resident blocking off the right of away.

Dan, Rodney landowner, inquired how to get platted streets that are not being used uncertified/removed.

Jerrilynn Strong informed the Board the county is starting COVID training, Commission of Aging got a freezer and replaced the dishwasher, EMS had 442 runs last month, the county is still in the process of getting a designated assessor.

Amy Kailing reviewed financial statements with the Board. The Board approved providing Lerner, Csernai and Fath with a written reference for health insurance and prescription medications.

The Board reviewed 2020 project list.

A motion to approve Chippewa Township 65th Ave Gravel haul/spread was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve Greenscape's letter to extend sweeping and catch basin contracts was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1979

At 9:30 a motion to open public hearing for 2021 budget was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve 2021 budget was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to adjourn was made at 10:07 am by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.



CHAIRMAN

BOARD SECRETARY

12/8/2020

DATE

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1978

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, November 10, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent:

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from Tuesday, October 20, 2020 were approved as written.

Byran Roels, Chippewa Township Supervisor, inquired about a drainage issue on a private road off Chippewa Lake Drive.

Jerrilynn Strong informed the Board the county budget is complete, but a hearing has not been held yet, and the county is working COVID training.

Amy Kailing reviewed financials with the Board. A motion for to pay Consumers Energy, DTE Energy, Verizon Wireless, First Bank, Bank of America and Cat Financial at the end of November was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to accept Anderson Tackman & Company, PLC audit bid for 2020 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion approved unanimously.

The Board discussed the grant for Millbrook grant.

The Board reviewed the incident/accident report.

The Board reviewed correspondences.

A motion to pay vouchers in the amount of \$545,394.38 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to purchase 3 tandem trucks using MiDEAL for June 2021 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

A motion to approve Fahrner Asphalt Sealers LLC letter to extend the bid for chip and fog seals was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion approved unanimously.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1981

The Board reviewed the Incident/Accident Report.

The Board reviewed correspondences regarding Taylor Road.

At 9:56 am a motion to enter into closed session to review Board's attorney opinion regarding Taylor Road was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion carried.

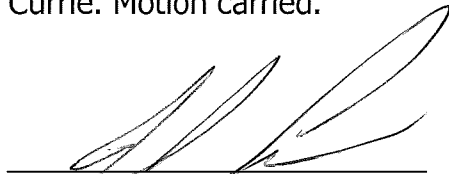
At 10:05am a motion to resume open session was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion carried.

A motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$516,508.99 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion carried on roll call vote, (2) yes (1) abstained.


Interviews were held for blade truck operator and service technician. The Board interviewed: Gordon Hunderman, Doug Lapham, Clinton Stevens, Rick Moore, Todd Boerma, Charles Siegert, Maverick VanDis and Wayne Miller.

The Board reviewed and approved 2021 meeting dates.

A motion to adjourn was made at 12:30 pm by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion carried.



CHAIRMAN



BOARD SECRETARY

12/29/2020

DATE

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1980

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, December 8, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioners Present: John Currie, Van Johnson

Commissioners present via Zoom: Mike Wernette

Board of County Commissioners Present: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from November 11, 2020 meeting were approved as written. Minutes from October 20, 2020 were approved as amended.

Jim Chapman, Green Township Supervisor, informed the Board the township is looking into a 5-year road millage and working with Tim Nestle on some road project estimates. Jim Chapman also informed the Board that some of the gravel on 190th south of Hoover has washed out.

Jerrilynn Strong informed the Board county commissioners are meeting via zoom, the county's budget has been settled and EMS is dealing with COVID.

Amy Kailing reviewed financials with the Board.

The Board discussed \$3,000 appropriation from Mecosta County Board of Commissioners for the weighmaster.

The Board reviewed Winter OT routes.

A motion to approve Michigan Pavement Markings LLC pavement marking bid extension for the 2021 season was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion carried.

A motion to approve a Remote Work Policy was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan and to have Manager approve and authorize any subsequent changes and/or revisions mandated by MIOSHA, MDHHS, MCRC SIP, and /or MCRC attorney that he determines to be in the best interest of the Road Commission. Said changes and/or revisions in MCRC's COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan will be brought forth to the Board at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting was made by Van Johnson and seconded by John Currie. Motion carried.

**BOARD OF MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

NO 1982

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held in their offices in the City of Big Rapids, Michigan on Tuesday, December 29, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: John Currie, Van Johnson, Mike Wernette

Members Absent:

Member Present from Board of County Commissioners: Jerrilynn Strong

Administrative Staff Present: Tim Nestle, Manager/Superintendent and Amy Kailing, Finance Director/Clerk.

Minutes from December 8, 2020 were approved as written.

Jerrilynn Strong informed the Board EMS has made 499 runs in December so far and 5,006 year to date, \$14 million budget settled, Mecosta County extended the Declaration of State of Emergency and Seth Lattimore is the designated assessor.

Amy Kailing reviewed financial reports with the Board. A motion to approve budget revision #2 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

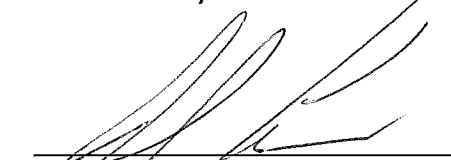
The Board reviewed Township and County Wide Road Millage packets.

A motion to approve the bid extension for pulverizing from Pavement Recycling was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.

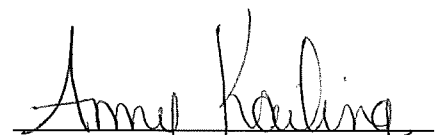
The Board reviewed correspondence regarding 2021 Highway Conference.

A motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$143,779.86 was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

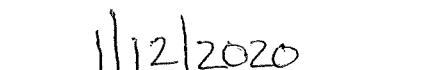
A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting at 10:20 am was made by Van Johnson and seconded by Mike Wernette. Motion passed unanimously.



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