

MINUTES
EMMET COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
HARBOR SPRINGS, MICHIGAN

The Emmet County Board of Road Commissioners met in regular session at the office in Harbor Springs, January 3, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Clerk of the Board, Lisa Kleeman, at 8:00 a.m.

Commissioners Present:

Frank Zulski - Chairman Robert Notestine - Vice Chairman Larry Williams - Member

Staff Present:

Brian Gutowski - Engineer/Manager Shawn Beckman – Project Manager
Lisa Kleeman-Finance Director/Clerk of the Board James Godzik - Permit-CADD Technician
John Gray - Road Foreman

Guests Present:

Bill Dohm – Little Traverse Township Jim Kargol – Emmet County Commissioner
Gordon & Edith Kruskie-Readmond Township Toni Drier – Emmet County Commissioner
John Eby – Maple River Township Marilyn Williams
Mary & Asher Zulski John Baker – West Traverse Township

Lisa Kleeman, Clerk of the Board, called for nominations of Board Chairman. It was moved by Robert Notestine, seconded by Larry Williams, to nominate Frank Zulski for Chairman.

Ayes: Notestine, Williams, Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

Chairman, Frank Zulski called for nominations of Board Vice Chairman. It was moved by Frank Zulski, seconded by Larry Williams, to nominate Robert Notestine for Vice Chairman. Frank Zulski moved nominations be closed, Robert Notestine seconded the motion.

Ayes: Notestine, Williams, Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

MINUTES: It was moved by Robert Notestine, seconded by Frank Zulski, to approve the regular session minutes of December 27, 2019.

Ayes: Notestine, Williams, Zulski

Nays: None

Motion carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. Cherry Lane Update – Gibson Excavating completed the job in two days and under budget. Godzik relayed specific details on the project. Gutowski will continue to work with Holbrook's and Resort Township for payment.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPOINTMENTS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. The preliminary 2020 Michigan Township Association Meeting presentation scheduled for Emmet County on January 15 was presented by Gutowski.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ENGINEER-MANAGER'S REPORT: Gutowski reported the following:

- January 15, 7:00 p.m. at Littlefield Twp Hall -MTA Meeting
- January 20-21, 6:00 p.m., Annual Township Meetings at ECRC Harbor Springs Office
- January 22, 6:00 p.m., Annual Township Meetings at Center Township Hall
- January 23, 6:00 p.m., Annual Township Meetings at ECRC Levering Office
- Joel Wurster is working with Flynn Excavating's attorney on the M-68 property issue with possible options other than abandonment
- Straits Area Council - we are the host county for 2020 and agenda items are welcomed

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Beckman reported the following:

- Atkins Road Category F Project 2020 - SHPO and quantities
- Atkins Road Project 2019 - working with Bear Creek today
- Spring inspections on some lingering projects will need to be completed

PERMIT/CAD TECHNICIAN'S REPORT: Godzik commented if anyone has questions on the Cherry Lane Project to contact him and he is also working on the Wilderness Park Drive Project.

EQUIPMENT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: None

ROAD FOREMAN'S REPORT: Foreman Gray reported working on trees and pot holes while there is a break in the weather. He also commented on two liquid products being used on roads this year in addition to brine.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Kleeman distributed the MTF Report for November comparing the payment with last year as well as budgeted amount and discussion ensued on possible reasons why this amount is less than expected. Statement of Revenue and Expenditures was distributed that showed a significant loss during the month of November. A report listing construction project revenue and expenses was also distributed showing the status of each project through November 2019.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT: Commissioner Notestine commented on the superior road conditions in our county verses other counties on his way to Traverse City. Commissioner Zulski also commented the crew did a great job cleaning up after the past storm and it seems the liquid product being used on Pleasantview Road is working very well.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Gordon Kruskie, Readmond Township Supervisor, commented in the past there was no stop sign on Vorce Road and Wormwood or the seasonal road coming in from the west. There is now a stop sign on Vorce Road headed south and the seasonal road. Godzik provided a history of this road and is currently working on this issue. Kruskie also requested if funding comes available for M119 will it be channeled through the road commission. Gutowski responded it will come from the State and he will provide contact information for Jay Gailitis, MDOT, to Kruskie.
- b. Jim Kargol, Emmet County Commissioner, inquired if the 2015 Gas Tax Law was protected and couldn't be used for anything else and Gutowski confirmed he was correct.

Commissioner Zulski adjourned the meeting at 8:49 a.m.



Lisa Kleeman, Finance Director-Clerk of the Board

1-24-2020
Date