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A Workshop Meeting of the Board of Delta County Road Commissioners was held on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. at the Main Office, 3000 32nd Avenue North, Escanaba, Michigan.

Present at the workshop were Chairman Randy Bjork, Vice Chairman Dennis Stanek, Commissioner Pete Stropich, Commissioner Rory Mattson and Commissioner Mike Larrabee. Also in attendance were Managing Director Rob VanEffen, Construction Superintendent Van Marenger, and Commissioner-Elect Bob Aschbacher.

The Administrative Report and Regular Meeting agenda items were reviewed and/or discussed.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Delta County Road Commissioners was held on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 5:15 p.m. at the Main Office, 3000 32nd Avenue North, Escanaba, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by the Chairman, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Chairman Randy Bjork, Vice Chairman Dennis Stanek, Commissioner Pete Stropich, Commissioner Mike Larrabee, and Commissioner Rory Mattson.

ABSENT: None.

Chairman Bjork asked if there was anyone wishing to be added to the Agenda and there being none, moved to approve the Agenda as printed.

It was moved by Chairman Bjork to approve the Minutes of the October 23, 2012 Workshop & Regular Meetings as proposed.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson, seconded by Commissioner Stropich for the Delta County Road Commission to work with the Hannahville Indian Community and their environmental engineer for the removal and any necessary clean up of two underground tanks found on the old Wells District Property and that once bids are received and approved by both entities that the entire cost would be payable by the Hannahville Indian Community to the Delta County Road Commission.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Commissioner Mattson gave a brief update regarding the Escanaba River Bridge Removal Project. He spoke with Senator Casperson's aide and it was indicated that a step forward had been made toward commitment for the funding even though a formal written commitment will not be provided. A meeting is being set for sometime in December which should then get the ball rolling.

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Managing Director Rob VanEffen informed the Board of a request for abandonment of C.R. I-8 and explained that there is an issue with the recording of the road as we show it certified as a county road but the equalization department does not. He will keep the Board informed on this issue.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson, seconded by Commissioner Stanek to accept the quote from Merit Network for the installation of fiber optic cable and to authorize Chairman Bjork to sign the agreement on behalf of the road commission.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Policy No. 35 – Purchasing Policy was reviewed during the workshop and Managing Director Rob VanEffen will correct an error found and incorporate a couple changes that were suggested and present a “final draft” to the Board at the next regular meeting.

The following items of Correspondence were reviewed and/or discussed: 1) Ensign Garage Fork Lift Inspection; 2) U.S.F.S. “Goody Two Shoes” Project.

It was moved by Commissioner Larrabee, seconded by Commissioner Stanek to approve Bills Payable Voucher No. 2356 of 11/13/12 in the amount of \$148,559.46 and Payroll Vouchers No. 68908 of 10/25/12 in the amount of \$47,953.18 and No. 68909 of 11/8/12 in the amount of \$49,661.82 as presented and reviewed. Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Mattson - Yes
Commissioner Larrabee – Yes
Commissioner Stropich - Yes
Vice Chairman Stanek – Yes
Chairman Bjork - Yes

Managing Director Rob VanEffen informed the Board that the Townships Association Annual Meeting & Christmas Party will be held on December 7, 2012 at the Perkins Lions Club.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson, seconded by Commissioner Larrabee to retroactively authorize Managing Director Rob VanEffen to sign the contract with Golder Associates for the environmental engineering at the Rock Garage. The services were bid out and the award was approved at a prior meeting but Mr. VanEffen had to sign the contract prior to this meeting and it had not been authorized as to who would sign.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

It was moved by Commissioner Larrabee, seconded by Commissioner Stanek to approve the 2013 Meeting Schedule as proposed with one change – the deletion of the December 24, 2013 meeting.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

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It was moved by Commissioner Larrabee, seconded by Commissioner Mattson to approve out of county travel for Jody Norman and Van Marenger to attend the testing for UST Certification in Marquette on November 20, 2012.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

It was moved by Commissioner Larrabee, seconded by Commissioner Mattson to enter into closed session at 5:46 p.m. for the purpose of discussion regarding the purchase of real property.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Stropich – Yes

Vice Chairman Stanek - Yes

Commissioner Larrabee – Yes

Commissioner Mattson – Yes

Chairman Bjork – Yes

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson, seconded by Commissioner Stropich to reconvene the Regular Meeting at 5:53 p.m. and that no decisions were reached during the closed session.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Larrabee – Yes

Commissioner Stropich – Yes

Commissioner Mattson – Yes

Vice Chairman Stanek - Yes

Chairman Bjork – Yes

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson, seconded by Commissioner Larrabee to authorize Managing Director Rob VanEffen to order U.P. Engineers & Architects to provide an estimate of the amount of usable gravel existing on the 48-acre parcel of property which has been offered to the road commission to purchase.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

It was moved by Commissioner Larrabee, seconded by Commissioner Mattson to enter into closed session at 5:56 p.m. for the purpose of discussion regarding pending litigation.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Mattson – Yes

Commissioner Stropich – Yes

Commissioner Larrabee – Yes

Vice Chairman Stanek - Yes

Chairman Bjork – Yes

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It was moved by Commissioner Stropich, seconded by Commissioner Stanek to reconvene the Regular Meeting at 6:12 p.m. and that no decisions were reached during the closed session.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Larrabee – Yes

Commissioner Mattson – Yes

Vice Chairman Stanek - Yes

Commissioner Stropich – Yes

Chairman Bjork – Yes

Under Public Comments Construction Superintendent Van Marenger congratulated Bob Aschbacher on his election to the Board and thanked Commissioner Mattson for his time served on the Board. Chairman Bjork echoed the congratulations to Mr. Aschbacher as well.

There being no further business to come before the board at this time, Chairman Bjork moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Randolph Bjork, Chairman

Amy J. Reinhardt, Deputy County Clerk