

October 22, 2013

A Workshop Meeting of the Board of Delta County Road Commissioners was held on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. at the Main Office, 3000 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North, Escanaba, Michigan.

Present at the workshop were Chairman Randy Bjork, Vice Chairman Dennis Stanek, Commissioner Mike Larrabee, Commissioner Bob Aschbacher, and Commissioner Pete Stropich. Also in attendance were Managing Director Rob VanEffen, Interim Manager Jody Norman, Construction Superintendent Van Marenger, Finance Director Amy Reinhardt, and County Board Liaison Dave Rivard.

The Administrative Update 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, October 22, 2013 at 5:15 p.m. at the Main Office, 3000 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North, Escanaba, Michigan.

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

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

ABSENT: None.

There being no additions requested, Chairman Bjork moved to approve the Agenda as printed.

It was moved by Chairman Bjork to approve the Minutes of the October 8, 2013 Workshop and Regular Meetings as printed.

It was moved by Commissioner Larrabee, seconded by Commissioner Stanek to authorize U.P. Engineers & Architects to do design engineering for the C.R. 420 Bridge so that if funding becomes available the project will be ready to go.

Ayes – 5      Nays – 0

The Board members were given an agenda for the Safety Meeting being held on October 24<sup>th</sup> and were encouraged to attend if they are available.

It was moved by Commissioner Larrabee, seconded by Commissioner Aschbacher to revise Policy No. 2 – Vacation Policy to update the Teamsters Union Local number from 412 to 406 and to change to the current Chairman, Randy Bjork, for the signature line.

Ayes – 5      Nays – 0

It was moved by Commissioner Larrabee, seconded by Commissioner Bjork to approve Bills Payable Voucher No. 2380 of 10/22/13 in the amount of \$154,335.97 and Payroll Voucher No. 68933 of 10/10/13 in the amount of \$52,147.57 as presented and reviewed. Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Stropich - Yes

Commissioner Aschbacher - Yes

Commissioner Larrabee – Yes

Vice Chairman Stanek – Yes

Chairman Bjork - Yes

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The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Stanek, seconded by Commissioner Stropich;

**WHEREAS**, The Delta County Board of Commissioners wishes to provide maintenance to the Airport Road Loop, and

**WHEREAS**, The Delta County Board of Commissioners wishes to provide an improved service to the Airport Road Loop, and

**WHEREAS**, The Delta County Airport Road Loop is in need of continued maintenance to better serve the County residents, Travelers and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, The Board of County Commissioners wishes to have the Airport Road Loop maintained; and

**WHEREAS**, Delta County does not have the proper equipment to maintain the Airport Road Loop, and

**WHEREAS**, It is understood that any future road improvements beyond routine maintenance would be a 50/50 cost sharing between the Board of County Commissioners and the Board of Road Commissioners, and

**WHEREAS**, The Delta County Road Commission is willing to accept said Airport Road Loop into the Delta County Act 51 Certified Road System as all season road;

**NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED**, that the Delta County Board of Road Commissioners this 22nd, day of October, 2013 hereby accepts the **Airport Road Loop** a distance of 1179.69 feet to be added to the Delta County Act 51 road certification.

Ayes – 5      Nays – 0

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

It was moved by Commissioner Aschbacher, seconded by Commissioner Stanek to send a letter of support to CUPPAD for their application for the Governor’s “Regional Prosperity Initiative”.

Ayes – 5      Nays – 0

The following Resolution was offered by Commissioner Larrabee, seconded by Commissioner Aschbacher;

**WHEREAS**, Robert VanEffen having served the Delta County Road Commission for 20 years and 5 months, retiring on December 1, 2013;

**AND WHEREAS**, Robert VanEffen being a dedicated public servant and has ended his career by retirement from the Delta County Road Commission;

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**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Delta County Road Commission pay tribute to Robert VanEffen at its regular meeting on October 22 , 2013;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Robert VanEffen is herewith wished a long and happy retirement and that a copy of this resolution be made a permanent record of the Delta County Road Commission.

Ayes – 5      Nays – 0

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

Rob VanEffen thanked the board members and current staff for their support and said that it has been an honor and privilege to work with such a great group of people. He stated that he sees good things in the future for the road commission with the excellent crew and employees and feels that the transition has gone very well.

It was moved by Commissioner Aschbacher, seconded by Commissioner Larrabee to approve and authorize signature of a Project Agreement with Baldwin Township for C.R. G-17.

Ayes – 5      Nays – 0

Under Public Comment, County Board Liaison Dave Rivard wished Rob VanEffen a great retirement and stated that he looks forward to working with the new management staff.

Under Road Commissioner’s Comments, each of the board members expressed their thanks and best wishes & congratulations to Rob VanEffen on his retirement and complimented his hard work and dedication throughout his years of service at the road commission and for the smooth transition with the new management staff.

There being no further business to come before the board at this time, Chairman Bjork moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

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Randolph L. Bjork, Chairman

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Amy J. Reinhardt, Deputy County Clerk

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