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A Workshop Meeting of the Board of Delta County Road Commissioners was held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. at the Main Office, 3000 32nd Avenue North, Escanaba, Michigan.

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

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, April 8, 2014 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 Chairman Stropich, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

ABSENT: None.

After asking if anyone present wished to be placed on the Agenda, Chairman Stropich moved to approve the Agenda as printed.

It was moved by Chairman Stropich to approve the Minutes of the March 25, 2014 Workshop and Regular Meetings as proposed.

Construction Superintendent Van Marenger informed the Board that he has applied for a safety grant for a new kind of centerline pavement marking for Co. Rd. 412 at a cost of approximately \$80,000 with a \$16,000 local match. He also explained that MCRCSIP did a safety visit on February 26th and other than a couple minor issues that have already been addressed everything was found to be very satisfactory.

There will be a CRASIF/MCRCSIP Safety seminar at Bay College on April 23rd for anyone that would like to attend.

It was moved by Commissioner Stanek, seconded by Commissioner Bjork to approve Bills Payable Voucher No. 2391 of 4/8/14 in the amount of \$330,758.49 and Payroll Voucher No. 68945 of 3/27/14 in the amount of \$58,514.65 as presented and reviewed.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Larrabee - Yes

Commissioner Stanek - Yes

Commissioner Bjork – Yes

Vice Chairman Aschbacher - Yes

Chairman Stropich – Yes

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Commissioner Larrabee offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption.

Whereas, it is the intent of the Delta County Road Commission to support the following Structure Replacement listed in following priorities,

- (1) CO RD 430 over the Escanaba River,
- (2) CO RD H-42 over the Rapid River,
- (3) CO RD G-17 over the Days River,
- (4) CO RD I-24 over the Tacoosh River,

Whereas, It is the intent of the Delta County Road Commission to apply for funds through the Local Agency Bridge Program, And

Whereas, The Board of County Road Commission have reviewed and support the process for application of Local Bridge Funds, And

Whereas, It is the intent of the Delta County Road Commission to utilize the Michigan Department of Transportation Local Bridge Funding Program.

Now **Therefore Be It Resolved**, that the Delta County Board of Road Commissioners authorizes staff to submit the application for funding and that it be forwarded to the Michigan Department of Transportation for consideration by the Local Bridge Advisory Board

The resolution was seconded by Commissioner Aschbacher and carried by the following vote:
Ayes – 5 Nays -0

Resolution Declared Adopted

It was moved by Commissioner Larrabee, seconded by Commissioner Bjork to approve out of county travel for up to three individuals to attend the CRAM Finance and Human Resource Seminar in Traverse City on May 12-15, 2014.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

A request was received from U.P. Sno-Phlyers for permission to use Co. Rd. 420 & 531 for a snowmobile route. Discussion ensued, but it was decided to hold off on any decision at this time to allow for more thought on the matter.

It was moved by Commissioner Aschbacher, seconded by Commissioner Larrabee to approve out of county travel for employees to do work for the railroad to steam culverts if all details can be worked out and providing that Delta CRC culvert issues are taken care of first.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

It was moved by Commissioner Aschbacher, seconded by Commissioner Stanek to select Jody Norman for the Manager's position. Commissioner Stanek thanked both Mr. Norman and Van Marenger for their interest in the position and for their hard work keeping things going smoothly over the last six months, and said that it was a tough decision to make, but the board members had

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to pick the person they felt best qualified to lead the road commission through some very tough times that are coming our way.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Manager Jody Norman thanked the Board for their confidence in him, and stated that this is not a one person show, everyone has their job to do and he expects everyone to continue working as a team to move us through the challenging times ahead of us.

There being no further business to come before the board at this time, Chairman Stropich moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

Peter J. Stropich, Chairman

Amy J. Reinhardt, Deputy County Clerk