

July 14, 2015

A Workshop Meeting of the Board of Delta County Road Commissioners was held on Tuesday, July 14, 2015 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 Randy Bjork, Commissioner Mike Larrabee, and Commissioner Dennis Stanek. Also in attendance were Manager Jody Norman, Construction Superintendent Van Marenger, Finance Director Amy Reinhardt, and County Commissioner John Malnar.

MERS Regional Manager Terra Langham and Benefits Coordinator Tammy Marier were present to discuss the recently received Annual Actuarial Valuation Report and to explain how payments made toward the unfunded accrued liability affect the balance from year to year. It was explained that we are doing the right thing by making extra payments and while progress is very slow, we are moving in the right direction.

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, July 14, 2015 at 5:15 p.m. at the Main Office, 3000 32nd Avenue North, Escanaba, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m. by Chairman Stropich, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

ABSENT : Commissioner Bob Aschbacher

Chairman Stropich asked if there were any additions to the Agenda and moved to approve the Agenda as printed with one addition – Item 2A under Public Concerns – County Commissioner John Malnar.

Chairman Stropich moved to approve the Minutes of the June 23, 2015 Workshop and Regular Meeting as proposed.

Delta County Commissioner John Malnar addressed the Board to inform them that the County Board has approved a salary increase for the Road Commissioners to be effective July 1, 2015 as follows: Increase of \$25 per month for the remainder of fiscal year ending 9/30/15, and an additional increase of \$25 per month effective October 1, 2015 for fiscal year ending 9/30/16. Mr. Malnar stated that a formal notice will be sent from the County Administration office.

It was moved by Commissioner Stanek, seconded by Commissioner Larrabee to approve Change Order No. 2 to the Escanaba River Bridge Removal Project which allows for the following additional costs relative to building a water “road” to allow for removal of bridge debris: up to 1,000 c.yds of quarry stone at \$19.20/c.yd. delivered to the site from Bichler Gravel & Concrete; to Associated Constructors for \$8.00/c.yd. to be placed and leveled to create the road, \$18.35/c.yd to remove the material at the end of the project, and \$12.50/c.yd. to haul the material to the disposal site.

Ayes – 4 Nays - 0

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Correspondence was received from CRASIF informing Manager Jody Norman that Delta County Road Commission has earned a place on the CRASIF Risk Control Honor Roll for 2014-2015 by keeping our experience modification factor below 1.00, and will be announced and presented with an award plaque at the Annual Business Meeting on July 23, 2015 at the Soaring Eagle Casino in Mt. Pleasant.

It was moved by Commissioner Stanek, seconded by Commissioner Stropich to approve Bills Payable Voucher No. 2424 of 7/14/15 in the amount of \$446,478.95 and Payroll Voucher No. 68978 of 7/1/15 in the amount of \$63,509.28 as presented and reviewed.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Larrabee - Yes

Commissioner Stanek - Yes

Vice Chairman Bjork -Yes

Chairman Stropich – Yes

It was moved by Commissioner Bjork, seconded by Commissioner Stanek to approve and authorize the Chair and Vice Chair to sign the employment agreement between the Board and Manager Jody Norman as presented and recommended by Commissioner Bjork and Aschbacher, to be effective July 14, 2015 through July 13, 2016.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Stanek – Yes

Commissioner Larrabee – Yes

Vice Chairman Bjork – Yes

Chairman Stropich – Yes

Under Road Commissioners' Comments, Commissioner Bjork thanked County Commissioner Malnar for attending and bringing the good news of the salary increase. Commissioner Stropich expressed thanks to Rory Mattson for doing a great job of managing the Escanaba River Bridge Removal Project. Commissioner Stanek commended Manager Jody Norman, Construction Superintendent Van Marenger and Office Staff for keeping things running smoothly during a very busy time of year.

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

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