**Presque Isle County Road Commission**

**Minutes**

**January 22, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners for Presque Isle County was held at the Road Commission office at 657 South Bradley, Rogers City, Michigan. Chairman Robert Macomber called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Board Members Present:** Thomas Catalano,Norman Quaine, Robert Macomber

**Also Present**: Supt./Mgr David Kowalski, Clerk Anne Wirgau

**Visitors:**

***Minutes:***

A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to approve minutes from January 8, 2025, regular meeting.

Ayes: All

***Accounts Payable:***

A motion was made by Quaine (Catalano) to approve the January 22, 2025 accounts payable in the amount of $329,869.39.

Ayes: Macomber, Quaine, Catalano

**9:00 a.m. – Bid Opening**



A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to award the sale of both items to Dave Sorget for $3,500.00 each (Total $7,000.00)

Ayes: Macomber, Quaine, Catalano

***Supt./Mgr Report:***

* Update on Ocqueoc Bridge repair. Asbestos testing is required to be done on bridge projects prior to any construction work per the MDOT project standard. R.S. Scott has located a company able to do the testing for $2,000.00.
* Supt./Mgr discussed upcoming permazyne projects and the need to order more. Currently we are seven pails short.

Each pail is $2,697.00 plus shipping. If we were to order fifteen pails the shipping would be free.

15 pails - $40,455.00 with discount and free shipping

7 pails - $18,879.00 plus $914.32 = $19,793.32

* Supt./Mgr was asked by Belknap Township Supervisor Toby Kuznicki and Bismarck Township Supervisor Tom Dullack to prepare an estimate for Claus Road from Co Rd 451 to the corner. Copy of estimate given to the Board.
* A copy of the estimate for the Wirgau Road permazyne project was given to the Board.
* Attorney Bill Henn advised a pre-trial will be held on January 22, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. via zoom regarding the Cadillac Ferndale encroachment case. A discussion of legal fees was held.
* Pulawski Township Supervisor Martha Donajkowski will be contacting Mrs. McFalda regarding the proposed Lake Augusta Highway and M-65 intersection project.
* Supt./Mgr attended Lake Street/Fireside Special Assessment District meeting last week. Creation of special assessment district was voted down.
* Presque Isle Township created a special assessment district to seal coat and fog .3 mile of Kauffman Road and 1.6 miles of Kauffman Blvd. The Road Commission will enter an agreement with and bill the township for the project. The township will collect the assessment via taxes from property owners.
* Supt./Mgr will be seeking material costs for the upcoming year from various stone quarries to aid in preparing accurate estimates and looking for cost savings.
* The Kenworth semi tractor will be delivered today.
* Jeff Gapzynski has asked if a three-year payment plan would be an option for the proposed Bluffs Highway permazyne project. Discussion was held with the Board not if favor allowing extended payments for the project.
* A new OPEB valuation report is required for the 2024 Financial audit as determined by Michigan Department of Treasury. Clerk Wirgau has obtained a quote from Watkins & Ross to prepare the report at a cost of $4,500 for 2024 and a roll-over report of $1,500.00 for 2025. The actuarial report projects unfunded liability for post-employment health care costs for retirees currently allowed health insurance after retirement up to age 65.
* Supt./Mgr Kowalski will be out of the office from January 23, 2025 to February 3, 2025. Will be available half days and by telephone.

***Unfinished Business:***

None

***New Business:***

A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to cast an affirmative vote for Kirk Harrier, Otsego County for a three term and Dave Pettersch, Gladwin County for a four-year term on the CRA Board of Directors.

Ayes: All

A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to purchase fifteen (15) pails of permazyne for $40,455.00.

Ayes: Macomber, Quaine, Catalano

A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to authorize an additional $508.30 for the 2025 Kenworth Truck purchase.

Ayes: Macomber, Quaine, Catalano

The next scheduled regular meetings of the Presque Isle County Road Commission are set for Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. and Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.

With no further business to come before the Board the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:18 a.m.