**Presque Isle County Road Commission**

**Minutes**

**May 4, 2022**

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. Vice Chairman Norman Quaine called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

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

**Excused:** Ronald Bischer

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

**Visitors:** John Chappa, Presque Isle County Commissioner

***Minutes:***

A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to approve minutes from April 20, 2022 regular meeting as presented.

Ayes: All

***Accounts Payable:***

A motion was made by Quaine (Catalano) to approve the May 4, 2022 accounts payable in the amount of $169,054.23

Ayes: Quaine, Catalano

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

* Structure 8994 across the Little Trout Creek will be the only bridge that is to be removed. The most easterly structure does not have a 20’ span and therefore is not considered a bridge. Supt./Mgr asked if we needed to have the remaining easterly structure rated in case the property owner decides to haul material or wood out of his land across the bridge? Discussion was held
* Three summer employees have been hired, one for Posen and two for Rogers City. Onaway garage has one returning so they will have two summer employees. Looking to hire one more for Posen.
* A five-foot culvert under 646 Highway between Clay Banks Road and Pawnee Trail has started to show signs of failure, this is the head waters of Schmidt Creek. I would like to get an estimate from Monchilov Sewer and Excavation to possibly do a spin cast concrete inside the culvert. This company has been doing work for MDOT and other counties. It is approximately half the cost of culvert replacement. Supt./Mgr was asked about possibly involving Huron Pines in the project.
* Weight restrictions were lifted April 27, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.
* Discussion was held regarding Angle Road. It is a McNitt Road which was transferred to the Road Commission on March 1, 1932 per Road Commission minutes. Under MCL Statue 221.20 and the Width Act 283 of 1909 the right of way is 66’. Clerk Wirgau will check the ten years of minutes after March 1, 1932 to see if there was any dispute of the jurisdictional change from Township to Road Commission.
* GFL bought out Northern-A-1 and will be able to supply brine this year. Moved to New Business to award the bid received.
* Supt./Mgr has contacted P.K. Contracting regarding the in lane rumble strips requested for three intersections; 634 Hwy/Co. Rd 451, Co Rd 441/638 Hwy and M-211/N. Allis Hwy
* The Equalization Department contacted the Road Commission office regarding a private road off US-23 (near Parker House). There are several land owners on this road and two currently have US-23 addresses. Equalization is asking that a road name be assigned to this road so that emergency services can find the places. A letter has been sent to the property owners with a request to provide a road name which the Road Commission will then approve or disapprove. There is no intent to maintain the road in any manner.
* Discussion was held regarding the lease or purchase of a mini excavator. Various brands were discussed. Supt./Mgr was directed to get an additional quote.

***Visitor:***

A discussion was held with County Commissioner Chappa regarding the areas of the county that have been subject to redistricting and possible candidates running for County Commissioner seats.

***Unfinished Business:***

Employee contract negotiations were discussed and Supt./Mgr updated the Board on current status.

***New Business:***

A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to enter an agreement with Rogers Township to seal coat and fog Co Rd 646 from US-23 to Tucker Road (3.2 miles) at an estimated cost of $72,800.00 with Rogers Township to pay $24,266.67 at start and $24,266.67 in 2023 and 2024. Road Commission cost share is $39,200.00.

Ayes: Catalano, Quaine

A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to enter an agreement with Rogers Township to overlay, seal and fog Wenzel Highway from 451 to Klee Road (2.2 miles) at an estimated cost of $130,000.00 with Rogers Township to pay $28,166.67 at start of project and $28, 166.67 in 2023 and 2024. Road Commission cost share is $45,000.00.

Ayes: Quaine, Catalano

A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to advertise for bids for asphalt overlay on Wenzel Highway with bids to be opened on May 18, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Ayes: Catalano, Quaine

Northcott has offered 3,000 ton of crushed road gravel at Case Northcott pit for $6.00 per ton for purchase. Discussion was held

A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to purchase 3,000 tons of crushed gravel at $6.00 per ton from Northcott Excavating for a total of $18,000.00

Ayes: Quaine Catalano

A motion was made by Catalano (Quaine) to accept and award the GFL/Northern A-1 bid for Dust Control Brine.

Ayes: Quaine, Catalano

The following resolution was offered by Catalano and supported by Quaine:

*RESOLUTION 2022-06*

***Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Presque Isle County Road Commission to enter MDOT Contract 2021-0384 Amendment***

WHEREAS, there has been presented to this meeting a desire of the Commissioners of Presque Isle County Road Commission to enter a contract between Presque Isle Road Commission and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT).

WHEREAS, this Board has reviewed the amendment to Contract 2021-0384 which updates Appendix G of said contract and finds it is in the best interest and to the benefit of the Presque Isle County Road Commission to enter into such a contract in full force and effect from October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that Supt./Mgr David A. Kowalski of the Presque Isle County Road Commission is authorized to execute electronically such documents, in the name and on behalf of this County Road Commission.

THIS RESOLUTION is effective this date, with all present Commissioners voting affirmatively.

Adopted Ayes: Catalano, Quaine

Nays: None

A discussion was held regarding the possible timbering of mature wood on Road Commission gravel pit properties. Commissioner Catalano will prepare the bid specifications. Commissioner Quaine will double check a property line at the Case Twp property.

Clerk Wirgau advised the Board a draft copy of the 2021 Financial audit has been received from Berthiaume & Company CPAs and is being reviewed for completeness. The mandatory Act 51 report will be submitted to MDOT by the end of the week. Clerk Wirgau will present on it at a future meeting.

Vice Chairman Quaine set the next regular meeting for Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. and Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

Vice Chairman Quaine adjourned the meeting at 09:50 a.m.