**Presque Isle County Road Commission**

**Minutes**

**July 3, 2024**

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 Thomas Catalano called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

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

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

**Visitors:** Clifford Tollini-Presque Isle County Commissioner, Norman and Janet Baker, John and Laura Haydamacker, Steve Kroll

***Minutes:***

A motion was made by Quaine (Macomber) to approve minutes from June 19, 2024 regular meeting.

Ayes: All

***Accounts Payable:***

A motion was made by Macomber (Quaine) to approve the July 3, 2024 accounts payable in the amount of $273,977.88

Ayes: Catalano, Quaine, Macomber

***Visitors:***

Steve Kroll appeared before the Board to discuss the encroachment of his neighbor’s fence on an undeveloped public platted road. Mr. Kroll wanted to know what the Road Commission policy was about encroachment and what was going to be allowed on the public right of way. Lengthy discussion was held. Chairman Catalano stated it is not impacting the Road Commission and there is no intent to build the road. Chairman Catalano also stated each encroachment case is handled on a case by case basis. Supt./Mgr Kowalski was instructed by the Board to have Mr. Zwolinski complete and satisfy all requirements of an Application and Permit to Construct, Operate, Use and/or Maintain a Temporary Known Encroachment Within the Right-of-Way.

Laura Haydamacker addressed the Board regarding the possible relocation of Lost Lake Road on the Alan Berg property. Chairman Catalano informed Mrs. Haydamacker the Road Commission has been advised by legal counsel to refer all questions to Attorney William Henn and the Board cannot answer any questions. The Road Commission has not received updated engineered plans from Mr. Berg’s firm, Wade Trim.

Norman Baker addressed the Board regarding the speed limit on Lost Lake Road. Discussion was held regarding how speed limits are set and by whom. Supt./Mgr Kowalski stated a yellow warning sign could be installed but not a white enforceable sign. Mr. Baker thanked the Board for the recent gravel repairs performed.

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

* Mower Tractor update: Expected delivery is December, 2024 from Flint New Holland.
* South Rogers Road is paved and crews are working on shoulder gravel
* R/T Farms & Excavating gravel has been tested twice and will be tested one more time to make sure it meets specifications. R.S. Scott & Associates is performing the testing.
* Supt./Mgr and County Road Engineer Straley met with Mike Grohowski, Krakow Township Supervisor, at the Grand Lake Outlet Dam to inspect the area for possible access for kayak and fishing platform. This would allow people a place to be instead of standing on the road. It would be on Road Commission property and require Board approval.
* Williams Road update as provided by Steve Reisner. Board directed Supt./Mgr to send Cadillac Products a letter instructing them to remove their trailers and pallets from the roadway and right of way.
* Discussion and review of brine and liquid calcium chloride expenses
* Pulawski Township has money available from their DTE Solar Grant and has asked about using it for asphalt. They have requested an estimate for Lake Augusta Hwy (Hincka to M-65), one mile of local road. It would connect a paved road to a paved road in their system.
* Supt./Mgr reviewed an updated estimate for paving Bluffs Hwy and Silver Beach Road (see attached)
* Next week; July 9-12, 2024, Supt./Mgr will be out of town and not available. If any emergencies occur, please contact Foreman for the area in need.

***Old Business:***

None

***New Business:***

A motion was made by Macomber (Quaine) to accept the 2nd Quarter Financial reports and amend the 2024 Budget with Overhead and Handling Charges line items corrected.

Ayes: Macomber, Catalano, Quaine

Kayak Observation pier – Supt./Mgr will report back at a future meeting with more information.

A motion was made by Quaine (Macomber) to cast an affirmative vote on the ballot to revise the CRA Constitution and Bylaws.

Ayes: All

A motion was made by Macomber (Quaine) to adopt a Temporary Encroachment Permit within in the right of way at a fee of $200.00 per permit.

Ayes: Catalano, Macomber, Quaine

A motion was made by Macomber (Quaine) to purchase a 1995 Sakai T2 Roller from AIS Construction Equipment for $42,500.00.

Ayes: Quaine, Macomber, Catalano

A motion was made by Quaine (Macomber) to authorize expenses for Commissioners and Administrative staff to attend the MERS Conference in Grand Rapids, October 10-11, 2024.

Ayes: Catalano, Macomber, Quaine

The next scheduled meetings of the Presque Isle County Road Commission are set for Wednesday, July 17, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. and Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

With no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Catalano adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

