

**BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS
GOGEBIC COUNTY ~ BESSEMER MICHIGAN**

**REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners was held in its offices in the Courthouse Annex, City of Bessemer, on the above date.

Present: Marti Wegner, Chair John Matonich, Commissioner Kevin Haustein, Commissioner Patricia Hagstrom, Secretary	Roy D'Antonio, Vice-Chair Dan Peterson, Commissioner Darren Pionk, Engineer/Manager
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Also Present: 6 Public Attendees

- I. **Call to Order** ~ Chair Wegner called the meeting to order at 5:17 pm.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Approval of Agenda** ~ A motion was made by D'Antonio, 2nd by Haustein, with all in favor to approve the agenda.
- IV. **Approval of Meeting Minutes** ~ A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson, with all in favor to approve the minutes from:
 - Finance Meeting of Monday, August 14, 2017
 - Regular Meeting of Monday, August 14, 2017
 - Special Meeting of Monday, August 21, 2017
- V. **Public Comment on Agenda Items (5 minute limit)** ~ none
- VI. **Old Business** ~
 - a. Building Facility Development ~ A meeting will be scheduled within the next week with Nick Jacobs and Roy D'Antonio. A list of properties that the GCRC owns will be provided at the next meeting.
 - b. Thousand Island Lake Road Culvert Crossings Patching ~ Darren discussed the possibility of chip sealing these crossings with Fahrner Asphalt. They are booked and are unable to do the work. GCRC crews will be grading and compacting these crossings. The compactor will be rented from Snow Country Contracting.
 - c. Letters of Appreciation (Special Grant Funding) ~ These letters will be submitted for signatures when written.
- VII. **New Business** ~
 - a. Letter of Appreciation (Summer Workers) ~ These letters were signed by the Board.
 - b. Black River Road Culvert Installation ~ A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson, with all in favor to call for bids on the installation of the culvert on Black River Road. This culvert is part of the Special Appropriation funding and will be replaced this year.
 - c. Mechanic Position in Bessemer ~ There is a vacancy for a day shift mechanic. This vacancy will be posted per union bidding procedures. An advertisement to accept applications for a mechanic will also be posted.
 - d. Part 91 SESC Program Authorized Public Agency Audit ~ Correspondence was received indicating that the GCRC Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Program is approved.
 - e. Don Grbavcich Driver's Physical ~ Don stated that he approached the Board on September 20th asking for help in paying for his CDL physical and has not gotten a reply.

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Commissioner Matonich stated that this item is an article in the union contract and the contract would need to be opened to discuss this item. He added that the Board agreed to open the contract with the union to discuss additional articles along with this item and that the union was not interested.

- f. Clarification of County Owned Vehicle Use ~ A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson, with all in favor to have Darren, the Chair and Vice-Chair meet to revisit this policy for the addition of potential exceptions that may occur, approval of these exceptions be approved by more than one member and that there shall be no exceptions until a policy is in effect.

VIII. Public Comment ~ Dan Siirila stated that the vehicle policy specifically states that no passengers are allowed to ride in a GCRC vehicle.

Mr. Siirila when the road striping would be done. Darren stated that the striping will be done the first part of September. Commissioner Peterson stated that when projects are bid, the GCRC should have a completion dated identified.

Dan Siirila asked if there was any progress on putting blinking lights on the east/west stops signs at the intersection Airport-Lake Road intersections. Darren stated he hasn't looked into this.

Don Grbavcich stated that there are numerous items that previous GCRC Boards approved that have not been done. One is the gate that hasn't been put up at the Narrows Pit. The bathroom in the shop has been torn apart and the shower has never been replaced. He asked who makes the decision to not offer more than one option for health coverage. Secretary Hagstrom stated that it is the health care committee that made this decision. Don asked if it would be against the work rules to set up a GoFundMe page to ask for help paying for his health care costs. He was advised that any information posted should be factual.

IX. Adjourn ~ A motion was made by Haustein, 2nd by D'Antonio, with all in favor to adjourn at 5:59 pm.

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Secretary

Chair