

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

GOGEBIC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2018 4:04PM | *Meeting called to order by* Marti Wegner

In Attendance

Marti Wegner-Chair Roy D'Antonio-Vice Chair John Matonich Dan Peterson
Kevin Haustein Phil Strong Patti Hagstrom 11 Public Attendees

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda with the following additions: OB. e. Third Party Agreements (3) for Phase I & Phase II of Lake Road Repairs was made by Matonich, 2nd by D'Antonio; all in favor, none opposed.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Peterson, 2nd by Haustein; all in favor, none opposed.

- Finance Meeting of Monday, October 22, 2018
- Regular Meeting of Monday, October 22, 2018
- Special Meeting of Monday, October 29, 2018

Public Comment

None

Engineering Report

Updates were given on the following:

- Highland Copper (CR519)
- BIA Projects
- MDOT Rural Task Force Meeting
- Great Lakes Council Meeting
- Michigan Township Association Meeting
- FEMA June 2018 Flood
- MDOT Corridor Access Group
- GCRC Work-Winter Operations

No action was taken.

Old Business

- a) Senate Bill 396 ~ Discussion took place. This item will remain an agenda item.
- b) Job Positions ~
 - Engineering Technician ~ An application has been received. Phil Strong will do an initial interview and a 2nd interview will be scheduled with the manager.
 - Seasonal Winter ~ 5 seasonal employees have been hired for the 2018/2019 winter season. Discussion took place and it was the consensus that hiring of winter seasonal workers be finalized earlier for the 2019/2020 winter season.
 - Engineer/Manager ~ 3 applicants were interviewed. The Interview Sub-Committee recommended that Barry Bolich be offered the Manager position. Motion to name the Interview Sub-Committee as the Terms of Employment Sub-Committee and to negotiate a salary and fringe benefit package with Mr. Bolich was made by Peterson, 2nd by Haustein; roll call: Ayes ~ Haustein, Peterson, Matonich, D'Antonio & Wegner, Nays ~ none. This session will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 1pm with Marti Wegner, John Matonich, Patti Hagstrom and Barry Bolich.
 Motion to call for a Special Meeting on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 3pm for the presentation and/or approval of the Terms of Employment Agreement with Barry Bolich was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson; all in favor, none opposed.
 It was suggested that a press release on the hiring of the new manager be posted. Letters of acknowledgment will be written to all applicants for this position.
 - Full-Time Hires ~ This item will be tabled.
- c) Administrative Compensation ~ This item will be placed on the Special Agenda for the Tuesday, November 13, 2018 Special Meeting.
- d) Pat Steiger Gravel ~ Discussion took place with Pat Steiger. He will be bringing in a check for the gravel taken by Snow Country Contracting from the GCRC stock pile in his pit and that no additional gravel will be removed from the GCRC stock pile by SCC.
- e) Tim Betz Old M-28 ~ Discussion took place with Tim & Allen Betz regarding the lack of snowplowing on this road and it being used as a snowmobile trail. A representative from the Gogebic Range Trail Authority was also in attendance. The winter maintenance procedures on the road will remain as it has in the past. Future discussion between all parties will continue to come to a mutual resolve regarding this issue.
- f) Third Party Agreements (3) for Phase I & Phase II of Lake Road Repairs ~ Motion to have the Chair and Phil Strong sign these agreements was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson; all in favor, none opposed.

New Business

- a) DNR Letter of Support Iron Belle Trail ~ Motion to have the Chair and Vice-Chair sign the letter was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson; Haustein & Wegner support, D'Antonio abstain.
- b) Coleman Engineering Company Proposals ~ Proposals were presented for design services for Country Club, Lake and Black River Roads for 2019. Motion was to approve the signature of Phil Strong on the proposals after CEC modifies the proposals by adding a completion date for these services was made by Matonich, 2nd by D'Antonio; roll call: Ayes ~ D'Antonio, Matonich, Haustein, Peterson & Wegner, Nays ~ none.

Actions Items

Research information on Seasonal Roads/Class 4 Roads.

Information Items

- Winter Operations
 - 2017-2018 GCRC
 - MDOT
- CRASIF Workers' Compensation Award for 2017-2018
- Spring Lane Letter from property owners requesting repairs
- Aspirus Ironwood Hospital Letter of Thanks for Grand View Road repairs
- Letters of Appreciation for retiree and summer seasonal workers
- State of Michigan Local Retirement Reporting OBEB denial of waiver
- Closure of office on Friday, November 23, 2018

Public Comment

Dan Siirila advised the Board that he plowed Crestview Road on Saturday, November 10, 2018. He stated that he contacted 2 GCRC Board members on Saturday to ask if he could.

Pat Steiger asked about the payment from Northern Natural Gas regarding road repairs on Prospect Road and Runway Lane.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 5:48 PM by Haustein, 2nd by Peterson; all in favor, none opposed.

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