

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

**REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 24, 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:	Roy D'Antonio, Vice-Chair Dan Peterson, Commissioner Darren Pionk, Engineer/Manager	John Matonich, Commissioner Kevin Haustein, Commissioner Patricia Hagstrom, Secretary
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Excused: Marti Wegner, Chair

Also Present: 6 Public Attendees

- I. **Call to Order** ~ Vice-Chair D'Antonio called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Approval of Agenda** ~ A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson, with all in favor to approve the agenda.
- IV. **Approval of Meeting Minutes** ~ A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Haustein, with all in favor to approve the minutes from:
 - Finance Meeting of Monday, July 10, 2017
 - Regular Meeting of Monday, July 10, 2017
- V. **Public Comment on Agenda Items** ~ None
- VI. **Old Business** ~
 - a. Special Appropriations Funding ~ Darren gave a brief update on the information to be submitted for funding and how funding may be received. No action was taken.
 - b. Aspen Lane ~ Discussion took place on the design criteria for this roadway. It was agreed to clear all trees within the right-of-way and design the road with a 22' top surface. Darren will call for bids/proposals for the removal of the trees. No action was taken.
 - c. Thousand Island Lake Road Phase II ~ Funding has been obligated for Phase II. A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson, with all in favor to have this project bid out for work to be completed in 2018. D'Antonio added that he would like the culvert crossing locations monitored and maintained.
 - d. Building Facility Development ~ Information received from the City of Ironwood was discussed. A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Haustein, with a roll call taken: Ayes ~ Haustein, Matonich, Peterson & D'Antonio to have Darren enter into negotiations to purchase the property in the Ironwood Industrial Park and update the Board on the progress.
 - e. Jackson Road Surface Condition ~ Darren has received video that shows the road condition of Jackson Road showed rutting prior to this road being used as a detour route during the US 2 project. Discussion took place. No action was taken.
- VII. **New Business** ~
 - a. Ironwood Township Open Cut Jackson Road ~ A request to open cut Jackson Road was received by Ironwood Township. The request is to provide water to a new house that was

built on the north side of the road. The waterline runs along the south side of the road. Discussion took place and it was felt that as the waterline is currently not located under the roadway that boring should be done for the connection. A motion was made by Peterson, 2nd by Haustein, with all in favor to deny the request and to provide the needed permits to Ironwood Township to perform work in the right-of-way.

- b.** Lake Road R.O.W Abandonment Request ~ Don Hakkinen, a property owner along Lake Road, has requested that the R.O.W. that runs along the roadway and his property be reduced to 33'. A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Haustein, with all in favor to deny this request.
- c.** Federal Fund Exchange St. Claire County Road Commission ~ Discussion took place and it is felt that this exchange would not benefit the GCRC as the funding the GCRC received and will receive is already earmarked for GCRC projects. A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson, with all in favor to deny the request from St. Claire County Road Commission.
- d.** Winter Sand Screening ~ A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson, with a roll call taken: Ayes ~ Peterson, Matonich, Haustein & D'Antonio to contact Iron County Highway Department for a quote to screen sand for the Partridge Lane pit and the Dunham Road pit.
- e.** HMA Culvert Patching Request for Bids ~ A motion was made by Haustein, 2nd by Peterson, with a roll call taken: Ayes ~ Peterson, Haustein, Matonich & D'Antonio to call for bids to patch 8 culvert locations.
- f.** Selling of Salt Dog Sander Box ~ A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Haustein, with all in favor to sell the sander box to the City of Wakefield for a price between \$2,500 and \$3,000.
- g.** ACT 51 Year End 2016 ~ Darren discussed and explained the report with the Board. A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Haustein, with a roll call taken: Ayes ~ Haustein, Matonich, Peterson & D'Antonio to approve the report and submit the report with Marti Wegner's and Darren Pionk's signatures.

VIII. Public Comment ~ Dan Siirila stated that the total patching work on Vanderhagen Road looks good. He asked about road striping. Darren stated that striping will be done in approximately 2 weeks. Dan asked that Jackson Road be considered for future repairs to fix the rutting in the roadway.

- h.** Night Patrol Grievances ~ A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Peterson, with a roll call taken: Ayes ~ Peterson, Matonich, Haustein & D'Antonio to move into closed session at 6:21 pm. A motion was made by Peterson, 2nd by Haustein, with a roll call taken: Ayes ~ Haustein, Peterson, Matonich & D'Antonio to move into open session at 6:34 pm.

IX. Adjourn ~ A motion was made by Matonich, 2nd by Haustein, with all in favor to adjourn at 6:35 pm.

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Secretary

Vice-Chair