

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS
GOGEBIC COUNTY ~ BESSEMER MICHIGAN

SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2016

The special 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: Don Bennetts, Vice-Chairman Rob Drier, Commissioner
 Marti Wegner, Commissioner Dan Siirila, Commissioner
 Darren Pionk, Engineer/Manager Patricia Hagstrom, Secretary

Also Present: 2 Public Attendees

- I. Vice-Chairman Bennetts called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Agenda ~ A motion was made by Siirila, 2nd by Wegner, with all in favor to approve the agenda.
- IV. Public Comment ~ Paul Anderson with Coleman Engineering thanked the Gogebic County Road Commission Board and Darren Pionk, Engineer/Manager for holding the special meeting and for the help to make this trail project possible.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Ironwood to Bessemer Trail Easement ~ Darren Pionk read the resolution and discussed the Land Transaction Agreement and Easement to Construct and Maintain documents. He identified that upon the completion of the trail, the MDNR will be responsible for the ongoing operation and maintenance of trail in its perpetuity. A motion was made by Siirila, 2nd by Wegner, with a roll call taken: Ayes ~ Wegner, Siirila, Drier & Bennetts; to accept the easement from the MDNR, authorize Vice-Chairman Bennetts and Darren Pionk, Engineer/Manager to sign the easement documents and adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (Grantor) approved an easement to the Gogebic County Road Commission (Grantee);

WHEREAS, The easement preserves the right to place and construct a public recreational trailway across the easement further known as Ironwood to Bessemer Non-Motorized Trail as part of the Michigan Western Gateway Trail;

WHEREAS, The land situated within the City of Bessemer, Bessemer Township, Ironwood Township, and the City of

Ironwood, County of Gogebic, State of Michigan as described in the recorded easement at the Gogebic County Register of Deeds office;

WHEREAS, The Grantor and Grantee agree to abide by all terms outlined in the written easement agreements on file with the Grantor and Grantee;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gogebic County Board of Road Commissioners does hereby accept the easement to be granted across the land owned by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources as described in the executed easement agreement duly signed, for recreational trailway purposes.

- VI. Public Comment ~ none
- VII. Adjourn ~ A motion was made by Siirila, 2nd by Drier, with all in favor to adjourn at 4:37 pm.

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Secretary

Vice-Chairman