**Board Minutes**

**May 12, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Crawford County Board of Road Commissioners was held at their office at 500 Huron Street on Thursday, May 12, 2022, at 4:30 p.m., **Present:** Vice Chairman Summers, Commissioner Jones., and Commissioner Hanson**.**  **Absent:** Commissioner Larson and Chairman Halstead. **Administrative staff present:** Don Babcock Managing Director, Clerk of the Board Leann Neilson, and Engineer Tech Tim McCarthy. **Public attending:** Duncan Gray Crawford County Commissioner Liaison to the Road Commission.

It was moved by Commissioner Hanson and supported by Commissioner Jones to approve May 12, 2022 amended Agenda which includes a deletion under New Business “Open Meetings Act” and additions under Old Business including “Jones Lake Road Agreement” and “Hay Marsh Creek”. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead absent, Hanson yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Hanson and supported by Commissioner Jones to approve the April 28, 2022, Board Minutes as presented. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead absent, Hanson yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

**Accounts Payable Voucher #16** in the amount of $211,329.85 was moved to pay by Commissioner Hanson and supported by Commissioner Jones. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead absent, Hanson yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

**Cash Flow**: Commissioner Hanson asked about the column on the Cash Flow spreadsheet stating “$7140.52 still off from Treasurer”. It was explained that the balance has been off since early 2021. Nicole and Leann have both spent an extensive amount of time looking for the error to no avail. Leann will ask for assistance from the auditor next time he is at CCRC.

**Accounts Receivables: None**

**Blade and Brine Report**: **None**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**: Duncan Gray updated the Board on Beaver Creek Townships most recent meeting in regards to funding for Iron Belle Trail and Beaver Creeks Clean Up Day.

**NEW BUSINESS: None**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Federal Aid Buyout Bill** – It is not clear yet what all the requirements are for this program. Don will continue to update the Board as more information is available. CCRC hopes to apply to utilize the program as soon as more information is received.

**MDCR #617117 Larson vs Crawford County Road Commission** – case investigator will be closing the case soon.

**Jones Lake Road Agreement for Road Improvement** – tabled until next meeting when the full Board is present.

**Hay Marsh Creek Abandonment** – Due to Commissioner Hanson having a conflict of interest on this issue the Board agreed to table the issue until next meeting when the full Board is present.

**MANAGINIG DIRECTOR COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Larson / Mark Williams, Work Comp Attorney correspondence **–** discussion regarding Ronald Larson’s emails to CCRC Workman’s Compensation Attorney, Mark Williams.

Letter from Attorney Carey regarding Breach of Employment Separation Agreement.

Update on Wakeley Bridge project – Pouring bridge deck and will start the approach next week.

Iron Belle Trail update – crews are running into trouble with the utilities and easement issues with Consumers Energy. The path had to be moved a bit. Crew is pulling fill from Industrial Drive project which is helpful to CCRC.

County Road 612 & Old 27 projects – MDOT has project details, but they have not been let for bid yet.

Skid Steer – CCRC skid steer caught fire while working along US 127 today. Will be filing an insurance claim next week and looking for another machine.

Truck Driver positions – Interviews have been done and Managing Director Babcock will be presenting job offers next week.

Permission to pulverize Fletcher Road – discussion regarding the poor condition of Fletcher Road between Military Road and US 127. Managing Director Babcock would like to pulverize Fletcher Road and return it to gravel until a later date when we are able to resurface it. Pavement Recyclers will be in town to work on Jones Lake Road and they can work on Fletcher Road at that time.

It was moved by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Hanson to authorize Managing Director Babcock to have Fletcher Road from Military Road to US 127 bridge deck pulverized by Pavement Recyclers. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead absent, Jones yea, Hanson yea, Summers yea. Motion carried.

Janitorial Position – there was discussion regarding the possibility of increasing the hours of the Janitorial Position to fulltime. The Board was provided a list of janitorial duties as previously requested. A decision on the issue was tabled until next meeting when the full Board is present.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Larson – Absent.

Commissioner Summers – None

Commissioner Hanson – Inquired about the shoulder widening machine and when it would arrive. The machine had been delivered and Commissioners were invited to go into the parking lot and look at it.

Commissioner Jones – None

Chairman Halstead – absent

There being no further business to come before the Board Vice Chairman Summers declared the meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

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Gary Summers, Vice Chairman Leann Neilson, Clerk of the Board