**Board Minutes**

**July 21, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Crawford County Board of Road Commissioners was held at their office at 500 Huron Street on Thursday, July 21, 2022, at 4:30 p.m., **Present:** Vice Chairman Summers, Commissioner Jones., and Chairman Halstead**,** Commissioner Hanson. **Absent:** Commissioner Larson. **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 and John Harris from JT’s Maintenance.

It was moved by Commissioner Jones and supported by Hanson to approve July 21, 2022, amended agenda, to include addition of “John Deere Skid Steer” to Old Business. Roll Call: Larson absent, Hanson yea, Halstead yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Summers and supported by Commissioner Hanson to approve amended July 7, 2022; Board Minutes to include a change on page 2 from “board meeting minutes 7/4/2022” to “board meeting minutes 7/7/2022”. Roll Call: Larson absent, Hanson yea, Halstead yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

**Accounts Payable Voucher #21** in the amount of $931,739.72 was moved to pay by Chairman Halstead and supported by Commissioner Hanson. Roll Call: Larson absent, Hanson yea, Halstead yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

**Cash Flow**: No discussion

**Accounts Receivables:** State of Michigan is going to issue a TWA number so CCRC can rebill for a portion of the outstanding amount due for 2021 MDOT Bridge Crew Labor contract & lawsuit involving Colecchio Contracting.

**Blade and Brine Report**: Crew is doing the best they can with the dry conditions. They will touch up the landings and heavily traveled roads for canoe marathon weekend.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**: None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Grayling Township Estimates** – overview of the three estimates provided to Grayling Township for North Park Subdivision,

Dale Street, and Clough Subdivision.

**Fox Run Estates Petition** – Chris Bowman from Fox Run Estates consulted with Managing Director Babcock regarding

process for having Fox Rus Estates resurfaced. Chris was directed to Beaver Creek Township, and it is expected that he will be

circulating a petition in Beaver Creek Township for that.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Commissioner Salary –** Commissioner Hanson provided the Board with a handout that he prepared of surrounding counties Commissioner Wages & Benefits package. Lengthy discussion ensued. It was moved by Chairman Halstead and supported by Commissioner Hanson to submit a request for consideration to the County Board of Commissioners for annual compensation for all Road Commissioners $8785.00. Roll Call: Larson absent, Jones nay, Hanson yea, Halstead yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

**John Deere Skid Steer –** Review of quote for new Compact Track Loader 333G II, MI#071B7700093. Will add a cooler onto the quote. It was moved by Commissioner Jones and supported by Commissioner Hanson to authorize Managing Director Babcock to order a new John Deere skid steer from AIS – John Deere for $77,899.24, plus oil cooler costs. Roll Call: Larson absent, Hanson yea, Halstead yea, Jones yea.

**MANAGINIG DIRECTOR COMMENTS:**

**Ronald Larson vs Crawford County Road Commission Civil Rights case** – notification was received that the Civil Rights case has been closed.

**Ronald Larson emails** – no discussion.

**Iron Belle Trail update** – Crew has been paving the last few days. The hill is finished, however, the delay with the retaining wall blocks continues.

**County Road 612** – crushing will begin the week of August 2.

**Old 27** – hoping this project will be let for bid in August.

**Batterson Road & May Lake Road** – will be paving bridge decks on Batterson & May Lake roads next week.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Larson – Absent.

Commissioner Summers – None.

Commissioner Hanson – Commissioner Hanson inquired about the signs on County Road 612 that read “artillery rounds passing overhead at any time”. Discussion regarding what Camp Grayling had in the past requested of CCRC regarding closing County Road 612 during times of artillery fire. Managing Director Babcock had concluded that closing County Road 612 for extended periods of time was not possible. Commissioner Hanson requested that Managing Director Babcock review the Camp Grayling Expansion Plans to see how these plans will impact the Road Commission.

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Commissioner Jones – Commissioner Jones attended a meeting with the AuSable River Property Owners Association. The association had a speaker from the DNR to whom questions were asked as to why the DNR cuts trees all the way to the edge of the road. The representative from the DNR blamed the CCRC for that. Commissioner Jones inquired about the validity of the statement by the DNR representative.

Chairman Halstead – Inquired about using the new shoulder widening machine to pave the shoulders on North Down River Road from Wilcox Bridge Road to MATES. Managing Director Babcock will see what he can do.

There being no further business to come before the Board Chairman Halstead declared the meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

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