**Board Minutes January 19, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Crawford County Board of Road Commissioners was held at their office at 500 Huron Street on Thursday, January 19, 2023, at 4:30 p.m., **Present:** Commissioner Jones, Commissioner Hanson, Vice Chairman Summers, and Chairman Halstead. **Absent:** Commissioner Larson. **Administrative staff f present:** Managing Director Don Babcock and Clerk of the Board Leann Neilson.  **Public attending:** Dorothy Frederick Crawford County Commissioner Liaison to the Road Commission, Tom Coors Maple Forest Township Supervisor, and Mike McNamara.

It was moved by Chairman Halstead and supported by Commissioner Hanson to approve the January 19, 2023; agenda as presented. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Summers yea, Hanson yea, Jones yea. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Chairman Halstead, supported by Vice Chairman Summer to approve the January 5, 2023, Board Minutes as presented. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Summers yea, Jones yea, Hanson yea. Motion carried.

**Accounts Payable Voucher #8** in the amount of $125,963.01 was moved to pay by Chairman Halstead and supported by Commissioner Jones. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Summers yea, Hanson yea, Jones yea. Motion Carried.

**Cash Flow**: None

**Accounts Receivables:** No discussion **Blade and Brine Report**: No discussion **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mike McNamara questioned the Board regarding Michigan National Guards review of the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between Camp Grayling and Crawford County Road Commission. He inquired about the Board’s stance on the proposed Resolution in Opposition of Camp Grayling Expansion Project. The Board is waiting on the National Guards review of the Memo of Understanding before adopting the proposed Opposition Resolution. The National Guard is expected to have an answer by February. Dorothy Frederick, County Commissioner informed the Road Commission Board that the Crawford County Board of Commissioners have taken a stance in opposition to the Camp Expansion and are preparing a resolution to be passed at their next Board Meeting. Dorothy urged the Road Commission Board to do the same. The proposed Opposition Resolution will be placed on the agenda for 02/02/2023 meeting for the Board to review.

Maple Forest Supervisor, Tom Coors inquired about the cost estimate provided for resurfacing Peterson Rd. in Maple Forest Township. Mr. Coors would like the Road Commission to bare the entire cost of resurfacing Peterson Road rather than following the Crawford County Road Improvement Cost Sharing Policy which requires townships to share in the cost of Local Road resurfacing. Mr. Coors inquired about the use of Millage Funds on Local Roads. Managing Director Babcock explained that the annual Local Township Allocation Funds were not funds generated by the County Road Millage. It is because of the extra revenue from the Millage that the Road Commission can offer the Township’s funding via the Local Road Cost Sharing policy. The Road Commission Board since the inception of the Millage has always used the Millage Funds for Primary Roads and Bridge projects. Chairman Halstead suggested that Maple Forest Township investigate generating road funds through a township millage or a special assessment as some of the other townships have done.

# NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Chairman Halstead to purchase a 2013 Western Star 4900 from Elmer’s Crane and Dozer, Inc. in the amount of $91,500.00. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Jones yea, Hanson yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

Fox Run Estates 2022 Cost Estimate – Managing Director Babcock went over the 2022 Fox Run Estates Cost Estimate for resurfacing. Mr. Babcock met with Beaver Creek Township Supervisor, Dan Bonamie earlier in the week to assist him the process of getting a loc al road project in place. Mr. Bonamie will let the road commission know if Beaver Creek Township would like to add Fox Run Estates to the Proposed 2023 Project List.

It was moved by Chairman Halstead, seconded by Commissioner Hanson to authorize Crawford County Road Commission to advertise for bids for Dust Control. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Hanson yea, Summers yea, Jones yea, Motion Carried.

It was moved by Chairman Halstead, seconded by Commissioner Hanson to authorize Crawford County Road Commission to advertise for bids for Seasonal Aggregates. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Hanson yea, Summers yea, Jones yea, Motion Carried.

It was moved by Chairman Halstead, seconded by Commissioner Hanson to authorize Crawford County Road Commission to advertise for bids for Pavement Marking. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Hanson yea, Summers yea, Jones yea, Motion Carried.

Administrative Clerk Employment Agreements – Managing Director Babcock will ask Attorney Carey to prepare Employment Agreements for Administrative Clerks for the Boards review at a future meeting.

# OLD BUSINESS:

South Branch Township Proposed 2023 Road Program – Managing Director gave an overview of the proposed 2023 projects for South Branch Township. Don will finalize estimates after bids have been opened.

Camp Grayling Expansion Opposition Map – map of local municipalities in opposition to Camp Grayling Expansion was reviewed and discussed.

It was moved by Chairman Halstead and seconded by Commissioner Jones to extend the Beaver Removal Contract with Steve Sendek at North Point Fisheries Management, LLC. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Jones yea, Hanson yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

# MANAGINIG DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

The Road Commission’s Financial Auditor Tom Smith has been on site this week. He should have a Financial Report for Board re view in the upcoming weeks.

Non-Motorized Trail – Managing Director Babcock will be meeting with MDOT on February 2,2023 to get started on their portion of work for Crawford County’s proposed plan for a Non-Motorized Trail that would run along M-72, North Down River Rd., and Rayburn property.

Managing Director Babcock will be meeting with MDOT Local Agency tomorrow to discuss the 2023 Military Road project.

# COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Larson – Absent. Commissioner Summers – None Commissioner Hanson – None

Commissioner Jones – Commended the road crew on a great job with snow removal today. Chairman Halstead – None

There being no further business to come before the Board Chairman Halstead declared the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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