**Board Minutes**

**December 19, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Crawford County Board of Road Commissioners was held at their office at 500 Huron Street on Thursday, December 19, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., Present: Chairman Halstead, Commissioner Hanson, Commissioner Jones, Vice Chairman Summers, Absent Commissioner: Larson. Administrative staff present: Managing Director, Don Babcock, Clerk of the Board, Kaitlyn Carlson. Public Attending: Dorothy Frederick, Crawford County Commissioner, Tom Coors, Maple Forest Township Supervisor.

It was moved by Commissioner Jones and supported by Commissioner Hanson to approve and amend the December 19, 2024, Crawford County Road Commission Agenda to include a letter to Grayling Township regarding Industrial Drive Road under new business. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Hanson yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Chairman Halstead, supported by Commissioner Jones to approve the December 5, 2024, Board Minutes with amendment regarding Raven Project update: Stoops Western Star agreed to contributing $200,000, which could potentially cover the engineering costs of Industrial Drive. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Hanson yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried

Accounts Payable Voucher #6 in the amount of $250,680.54 was moved to pay by Chairman Halstead and supported by Commissioner Summers. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Hanson yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

Accounts Payable Voucher #6-1 in the amount of $1,576.00 was moved to pay by Chairman Halstead and supported by Commissioner Summers. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Hanson yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

**Cash Flow:** None

**Accounts Receivables:** Managing Director Babcock stated Erich Christman’s invoice is finished being paid on.

**Blade and Brine Report:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Dorothy Frederick, Crawford County Commissioner stated the crew did a nice job keeping the roads clear during the winter storm. Frederick also inquired about the responsibility of clearing dead trees on the Grayling Bicycle Turnpike, Managing Director Babcock informed Frederick that MDOT would need to be contacted.

Tom Coors, Maple Forest Township Supervisor inquired about an update on the estimates for Petersen and White Road, Managing Director Babcock stated Engineers Tim McCarthy and Matt Gabriel were currently working on the estimates. Coors requested the spelling error to be fixed on the road sign for Donnybrook Road. Coors informed the board the Crawford County Economic Development Partnership’s role in the approval of the Saab Company.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was moved by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Chairman Halstead to extend the Beaver Removal bid with Steven Sendek for the current price of $6,000.00 per year. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Hanson yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Jones stated he would like a report throughout the year on how many beavers are being removed.

It was moved by Commissioner Hanson and seconded by Chairman Halstead to extend the Dust Control bid with Michigan Chloride Sales for the current price of $0.249 per gallon of Mineral Well Brine. Roll Call: Larson absent, Halstead yea, Hanson yea, Jones yea, Summers yea. Motion Carried.

Chairman Halstead requested Managing Director Babcock to draft a letter addressed to Lacey Stephan with Grayling Charter Township regarding the affect the Saab Company has on receiving funds for the construction of Industrial Drive.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**MANAGING DIRECTOR COMMENTS**:

Update on Grayling Water Main Project: Construction is scheduled to begin at the end of February 2025, Lacey Stephan with Grayling Charter Township sent letters to the awarded contractors.

Story Roofing Company is currently working on the truck garage roof.

**COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Larson – Absent.

Commissioner Summers – None

Commissioner Hanson– None

Commissioner Jones – None

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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**Ryan Halstead, Chairman Kaitlyn Carlson, Clerk of the Board**