

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, June 18, 2008**  
**5:14 p.m.**

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Present: Mr. Dale Duckert, Chairman; Mr. Douglas Hodge, Vice Chairman; Mr. Joseph Suma, Member

In Attendance: Mr. William Meinz, County Highway Engineer; Mr. Ryan Doyle, Assistant Engineer; Ms. Tami Erickson, Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Erick Pearson, Managing Director; Ms. Linette Daily, Secretary to the Board

Also in attendance: Mr. Charles Buckel.

Mr. Dale Duckert, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:14 p.m.

**Approve Agenda:**

**061808-103**

Motion by Mr. Hodge, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve the agenda.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:**

**061808-104**

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Hodge to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following,

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| Approve Minutes For: | Committee of the Whole | 06/02/08 |
|                      | Finance Meeting        | 06/04/08 |
|                      | Regular Meeting        | 06/04/08 |

Approve Payment of Bills: \$378,171.41

Approve Projects:

489 001 803003 Almont Township- Gravel Haul, 9746 Ton Limestone @\$15.30/Ton Additional Limestone-in conjunction with Work Order #489-001-703007. To continue on Tubsprings between Sandhill and Bishop, Hough Road between Shoemaker and Bishop and various other locations  
Estimated Cost: \$149,138.50

504 003 803205 Attica Township- Replace X-Tube 12"x30', Williams Street Estimated Cost: \$1,250.00

504 014 804398 Mayfield Township- Roadside Mowing- 1<sup>st</sup> Mowing Double Swath, Second Mowing- Single Swath, Jostock Trucking Estimated Cost: \$8,423.25

504-016-804600 North Branch Township: X-Tube, Ditch, Blacktop Patch – East Side of Jefferson between Burnside and Elm Creek Cost: \$5,400.00

504-018-804700 Rich Township: X-Tube on Heater at Millington Cost: \$1,700.00

504-018-804701 Rich Township: Replace 2 X-Tubes on Squaw Lake off of Murphy Lake Cost: \$3,200.00

489-018-804702 Rich Township: 9700 Ton Gravel on Various Local Road Cost: \$74,787.00

504-018-804703 Rich Township: Ditch – Various Location in conjunction with tree and brush removal  
Cost: \$20,000.00

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye, Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance Committee Report:**

Mr. Hodge reported that the Finance Committee met at 5:00 p.m. and approved the payment of bills in the amount of \$378,171.41.

**Manager's Report:**

Mr. Pearson reported that Lake Pleasant Road was complete and the ditching project in Hadley would also be complete this week. Mr. Pearson explained that the first limestone haul for Almont was complete and stated that he was happy with the new contractor, Detroit Bulk Storage, who delivered the product. Mr. Pearson stated that Dryden Township had a gravel haul also, and that Burnside Road from M-24 to Fish Lake Road was to be ground next week with paving to follow. Mr. Pearson stated that this project should be complete before the Fourth of July.

Mr. Pearson stated that he is considering completing some of the alternate paving projects in order to take advantage of the previously proposed prices. Mr. Pearson explained that the cost of asphalt has increased dramatically, and it will be a cost savings if the projects are completed this year.

Mr. Pearson went on to state that he is looking at options for a repair to M-21. Mr. Pearson explained that the traffic counts on the sections needing repair vary from 10,000 to 4,500 cars per day, and the pros and cons must be carefully weighed. Mr. Pearson spoke about the drying time disadvantage to the concrete option.

Mr. Hodge stated that this dilemma supports the discussion to place the millage issue on the top of our agenda.

Mr. Pearson stated that the new Volvo grader was in Grand Rapids and would be delivered within a week. Mr. Pearson also stated that the skid steer would be available for demonstration next week. Mr. Pearson spoke briefly about the snow wing and the concerns regarding the weight in conjunction with a truck loaded with salt. A future meeting was set to discuss these issues.

**Engineer's Report:**

**061808-105**

Motion by Mr. Hodge, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve the MDOT Engineering Reimbursement for \$10,000.00, for the employment of a licensed professional engineer.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Doyle asked the board to approve the three haul route agreements for Measel Supply of Almont and Pamar Enterprises. Mr. Doyle explained that the three agreements were approved by all parties. Mr. Hodge stated that the Road Commission titles were incorrect for the Chairman and Vice Chairman. These corrections will be made on the contracts.

**061808-106**

Motion by Mr. Hodge, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve the Haul Route Agreements for Measel Supply of Almont and Pamar Enterprises, Inc. of New Haven to haul Class A, All-Weather loads on Willis Road, from M-53 easterly approximately 2-miles to Measel Supply facility entrance and on Churchill Road from Willis northerly to Pamar Enterprises facility entrance and for Measel Supply at its location on Bowman Road in Imlay City.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Mainz also asked the Board to approve following TCOs.

**061808-107**

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Hodge to approve TCO-#2(05)2008 in accordance with the Engineer's recommendation that the Index Road Bridge over S. Br. Cass River between Howard Road and Gosline Road in Burnside Township be posted with a 10 Ton GVW.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

**061808-108**

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Hodge to approve TCO-#1(05)2008 in accordance with the Engineer's recommendation that the Gosline Road Bridge over S. Br. Cass River Drain between Index Road and Montgomery Road in Burnside Township be posted with a 10 Ton GVW.

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye; Suma, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Mainz went on to explain that he attended the CRAM Engineering Committee meeting this week and saw a demonstration for a paving project which mixes an enzyme with water to create a solution which will harden gravel. Mr. Mainz went on to explain that the cost per mile was approximately \$12,500 for the product.

Mr. Doyle stated that the Elba sewer project was very near completion and the restoration was underway. Mr. Doyle also gave an update on the Rails to Trails paving project and stated that this should be complete within a couple weeks.

**Public Comment:**

**Mr. Jerry Hudson**

Mr. Hudson asked the Board why they did not discuss the projects on the agenda and where the funding comes to pay for the projects on the consent agenda. Mr. Pearson gave an explanation of the local maintenance budgets and the township funding process. Mr. Hudson stated that he has a twenty foot pond now since the Road Commission did work at his driveway culvert. Mr. Hudson explained that he cannot mow his ditch any longer due to the water. Mr. Hudson explained that he was disappointed with the project and the failure of Mr. Jostock to show up at the project when he and Mr. Dillon were waiting for him.

**Board Discussion**

Mr. Suma stated that he recently spoke with Representative Stahl regarding the new guardrail on Newark Road near M-24, as it appears too close to the road. Mr. Suma explained that Representative Stahl stated he will contact Mr. Hemmingson at MDOT. Brief discussion ensued regarding the reason for the placement of the guardrail.

**061808-109**

Motion by Mr. Hodge, seconded by Mr. Suma to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, aye. Three ayes. Motion carried.

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Dale Duckert, Chairman

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Linette Daily, Board Secretary