

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
Wednesday, July 30, 2008  
8:10 a.m.**

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

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

Mr. Dale Duckert, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

**Approve Agenda:**

**073008-128**

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

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

**Consent Agenda:**

**073008-129**

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

Approve Minutes For:	Committee of the Whole	07/14/08
	Finance Meeting	07/16/08
	Regular Meeting	07/16/08

Approve Payment of Bills: \$900,217.46

Approve Projects:

504 012 804102 Lapeer Township-Replace X-Tube, Cliff Drive between Tower and Turrill Roads  
Estimated Cost: \$2,000.00

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

**Public Comment:**

Mr. Al Ochadleus, Attica Township Supervisor

Mr. Ochadleus was present to thank the Road Commission and the crew that worked on the Attica Township project through the business area. Mr. Ochadleus stated that the crew did a phenomenal job and were courteous and went out of their way for the traveling public and business owners. Mr. Ochadleus stated that he was very pleased with the fact that the project was expedited and Lake Pleasant and Peppermill Roads are now a pleasure to drive down.

Mr. Ochadleus explained that the Attica Township Board adopted a resolution commending the reconstruction project.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tullio, Attica Pines Camp

Mr. Doyle stated that this bond was in place in the event something goes wrong with the soil and sedimentation at the site.

Mr. Ochadleus, Attica Township Supervisor, stated that he would like to see the new business proceed with their project and would be willing to recommend the Road Commission allow the variance of the bond requirement and let Attica Township cover any costs which may occur.

**073008-130**

Motion by Mr. Hodge, seconded by Mr. Suma to allow Attica Township assume the responsibility and guarantee the bond for the Attica Pines Camp commercial drive.

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

**Mr. Frank Jones, 3886 Kings Mill, North Branch, MI**

Mr. Jones was present to state that Kings Mill Road between Jones and Lake Pleasant Roads is not maintained and that there is a large sink hole in the road. Mr. Jones stated that the water does not run off the road into the ditches, but instead runs down the hill causing the gravel to be washed down the hill when it rains.

Mr. Pearson stated that this portion of roadway was scheduled to get limestone next year and this improvement will correct this problem.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance Committee Report:**

Mr. Hodge reported that the Finance Committee met at 8:00 a.m. and approved the payment of bills in the amount of \$900,217.46.

**Meetings Attended:**

Mr. Suma stated that he, Mr. Duckert, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Mainz attended the Blue Water Highway Council Meeting and participated in the Round Table Discussions.

**Resolution:**

**070108-115**

Motion by Mr. Hodge, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve the 2009 Commissioners Budget as presented.

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

**Manager's Report:**

Mr. Pearson explained to the Board that due to the elimination of the federal buyout option, a proposal has been presented by CRAM to loosen the restraints to allow maintenance like overlays and chip seals, unlike the current requirements which require the project to be new construction.

Mr. Pearson stated that with the rising price of asphalt, he would like to proceed with the alternate paving projects which were bid in order to take advantage of the lower prices bid for 2008. These projects would include Genesee Road and Haines Road. Mr. Pearson stated that he would present a budget amendment to reflect the changes.

Mr. Pearson stated that he would like to echo the Thank You to the crews for the nice job with Lake Pleasant Road. Mr. Priehs stated that he would like to commend the working arrangement with Mr. Ochadleus, stating that he was easy to work with when changes were recommended. Mr. Priehs explained that the Engineering Department also made the project a success with their willingness to make adjustments as it moved along. Mr. Priehs stated that the roadway is much safer through the Attica business district.

**Engineer's Report**

Mr. Doyle stated that the CMAQ project at M-21 and Morris Road will begin next summer and was only a 20% match for the Road Commission. Mr. Doyle stated that the Elba sewer project is wrapping up with the completion of the drives and the second paving course on Hammond Road.

**073008-132**

Motion by Mr. Hodge seconded by Mr. Suma to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 a.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