

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, September 24, 2008
5:11 p.m.**

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

Excused: Mr. Douglas Hodge, Vice Chairman

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. Geary Priehs, Mr. Norm Snoblen

Mr. Dale Duckert, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m.

Approve Agenda:

092409-161

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

Roll Call: Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent; Suma, aye. Two ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

092409-162

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following, as amended,

Consent Agenda:

Approve Minutes For:	Committee of the Whole 09/08/08
	Finance Meeting 09/10/08
	Regular Meeting 09/10/08

Approve Payment of Bills: \$530,181.33

Approve Projects:

490 005 804801 Burnside Township- Replace Drainage Structure, Barnes Road between M-53 and the Dead-End
Estimated Cost: \$27,500.00

489 009 803803 Goodland Township- 500 Ton Spot Gravel, Various Locations to Repair Bad Spots
Estimated Cost: \$3,470.00

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee Report:

Mr. Duckert reported that the Finance Committee met at 5:00 p.m. and approved the payment of bills in the amount of \$530,181.33.

Other Meetings Attended:

Mr. Duckert reported that he had attended the Collaborative Planning Commission Meeting.

Manager's Report:

Mr. Pearson explained that Burnside Township has approved the Barnes Road Bridge replacement and the 48 foot long aluminum multi-plate structure will be placed this year. Mr. Pearson stated that he was happy to see this project work out positively for the Township and the land owner. Mr. Duckert stated that he was pleased to hear that the good multi-plate was being reused rather than scrapped.

Mr. Pearson stated that the crack seal machine was returned today and that he will work with the company for future use as schedules permit.

Mr. Pearson spoke about the Haines Road Bridge replacement, which has been delayed due to excessive rain. Mr. Pearson stated that eleven cement slabs were poured on I-69 today as part of the additional funds MDOT forwarded to us before year end.

Mr. Pearson then asked the Board to approve the MDOT Contract Extension.

092408-163

Motion by Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the extension of the MDOT Contract for the construction, improvement, or maintenance of state trunkline highways through September 30, 2009 and allow Directing Manager, Erick Pearson, to sign said document.

Mr. Pearson explained that a Public Hearing was held on Monday to present the Annual 2009 Budget. Mr. Pearson explained that no comments were received. Pursuant to Public Act 51 of 1951, Mr. Pearson asked for approval of the 2009 Lapeer County Road Fund General Appropriations Act.

092408-164

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the 2009 Lapeer County Road Fund General Appropriations Act as presented.

Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent. Two ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearson then asked the Board to approve the 2009 Annual Budget and the 2008 Amendment.

092408-165

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to approve the Proposed 2009 Annual Budget and 2008 Amended Budget.

Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent. Two ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearson went on to explain that the State was still without a budget and this may require a shutdown of State services.

Engineer's Report:

Mr. Mainz briefly explained the completed 2008 safety projects and the planned 2009 projects. Mr. Doyle also spoke about the Morris Road at M-21 intersection safety project improvement. Mr. Doyle gave the Board an update regarding the completion of the Elba Sewer Project and his plans for a final inspection.

Mr. Mainz spoke about the request for a speed zone review of M-21 at the city limits in Imlay City. Mr. Mainz stated that he will conduct a speed study and act accordingly if the warrants indicate extending the residential zone.

Public Comment:

Mr. Sherman Veers, 4214 Van Dyke, Burnside Township

Mr. Sherman was present to ask the Board to assist with a water issue, which is forming along his property due to a back-up at the Madison Drain. Mr. Veers stated that the heavy rainstorm in 2004 and the recent storm were both classified as 100 year storms. Mr. Pearson stated that he had Mr. Schluessler take some photos of the ditch area today. Mr. Pearson stated that the hydrology reports show that the natural flow of the water does flow into that area. Mr. Veers asked that the trees be removed from the ditch area. Mr. Pearson stated that he would have MDOT inspect the site for possible improvements and clean-up and will contact Mr. Veers when he hears back from them.

Mr. Will Gould, 4180 Van Dyke

Mr. Gould was present to state that he believes the tiling of the farm fields is causing the more water to flow to this area. Mr. Gould stated that the water flows all of the time down this ditch and this is the first time in 35 years that it has done so, and the 24" culvert cannot handle the water. Mr. Gould stated that he would also like to speak with the State Representative regarding this problem.

Mr. Richard Brandt, Hadley Township Trustee

Mr. Brandt was present to ask the Board to review the intersection at Hegal and S. Hadley Roads for sight distance and safety. Mr. Brandt explained that if you are traveling south on Hadley Road and someone pulls out on Hegal Road; you may not be able to stop. Mr. Mainz state that he will check the intersection.

092408-166

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 p.m.

Roll Call: Suma, aye; Duckert, aye; Hodge, absent. Two ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

Dale Duckert, Chairman

Linette Daily, Board Secretary