

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, March 25, 2009
8:00 a.m.**

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

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

Mr. Hodge, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Approve Agenda:

032509-063

Motion by Mr. Suma, seconded by Mr. Duckert to amend the agenda to include a Financial Report Review item, and approve as amended.

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

Financial Report Review:

The Board reviewed the accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll check register, and cash statement.

032509-064

Motion by Mr. Duckert, seconded by Mr. Suma to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$299,679.77.

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

Consent Agenda:

032509-065

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

Approve Minutes For: Committee of the Whole 03/09/09
 Finance Meeting 03/11/09
 Regular Meeting 03/11/09

Approve Payment of Bills: \$299,679.77

Approve Projects:

Almont Township

504-001-903000	500 Ton of Spot Gravel, Various Local Roads	Estimated Cost:	\$5,045.00
504-001-903001	Replace X-Tube – 18”x40’, Muir Road between Dryden Road and Hollow Corners	Estimated Cost:	\$2,000.00
504-001-903002	500 Ton of Limestone, Various Local Roads	Estimated Cost:	\$8,200.00
504-001-903003	Replace X-Tube- 18”x40’ at the intersection of Cochrane and Hough Roads, Ditch North Side of Hough 1600 feet- Cut Trees and Pull Stumps, Seed and Mulch (Tree Removal to be performed by Road Commission forces)	Estimated Cost:	\$6,850.00
504-001-903005	Stop Sign Delineators, 69 on Various Local Roads	Estimated Cost:	\$ 621.00
504-001-903098	Dust Control- 3 Applications to be applied by Road Maintenance	Estimated Cost:	\$40,136.79
504-001-903099	Roadside Mowing to be Performed by Priehs	Estimated Cost:	\$3,719.75

Attica Township

504-003-903202	Replace 18"x44' Cross Culvert, Force and Greenwood Road Intersection	Estimated Cost:	\$2,100.00
504-003-903203	Ditch, Seed and Mulch, Birch Road North of Newark (Tree Removal by LCRC forces at no cost to Township)	Estimated Cost:	\$6,588.00
504-003-903204	Ditch 600 Feet, Seed and Mulch, Sutton Road between Winslow and Bishop	Estimated Cost:	\$3,000.00

Dryden Township

504-007-903600	Clear, Ditch, Seed and Mulch, Hollow Corners and Bishop Roads Intersection (Tree Removal by LCRC forces at no cost to Township)	Estimated Cost:	\$3,400.00
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Lapeer Township

504-012-904100	Replace 18"x30' Culvert, Hunters Creek Road between M-24 and Mirror Lake Road	Estimated Cost:	\$1,530.00
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Marathon Township

504-013-904299	Roadside Mowing, Jostock, Double Swath	Estimated Cost:	\$4,543.20
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Mayfield Township

504-014-904398	Dust Control, To be performed by Road Maintenance, Up to 4 Applications	Estimated Cost:	\$10,438.00
504-014-904399	Roadside Mowing, To be performed by Jostock, Two Single Swaths	Estimated Cost:	\$6,814.80

Oregon Township

504-017-904600	Replace 18"x40' Culvert, Sandy Lake at Michael Drive	Estimated Cost:	\$1,900.00
504-017-904601	Replace Two Culverts-1-15"x40' and 1- 18"x40', McDowell between Indian and Maple Leaf	Estimated Cost:	\$3,500.00

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

Committee Reports:

Meetings Attended:

Mr. Suma reported that he had attended the County Commission Meeting and informed them that the Road Commission was eliminating the Finance Meeting, thus eliminating a per diem.

Managing Director Report:

Mr. Pearson reviewed the cash balance from the Financial Reports, and explained that the months of March, April and May is a time when the Road Commission rebuilds its cash fund.

Mr. Pearson stated that there have been issues regarding the frost laws and violations of them. Mr. Pearson explained that he would expect the frost laws to be on for an additional three weeks.

Mr. Pearson spoke about the Federal Stimulus Funds and the plan of action for the I-69 work on the west bound and eastbound lanes.

Mr. Pearson spoke briefly about the KAMAX trucking issues and how all parties were working together to come to a resolve on the overweight/over length problems. Our weighmaster is scheduled to work with the fork lift loader to educate him on the proper loading techniques.

Engineer's Report:

Mr. Mainz also spoke about the KAMAX trucking issue and the history of the approved haul route, which expired in 2002 in anticipation of construction of a new roadway. Mr. Mainz also spoke about a passing flare that was proposed that would have only cost the company \$10,000 and would have improved the Bowers/Roods

Lake intersection. Mr. Mainz stated that KAMAX did not go forward with the project unfortunately. Mr. Mainz stated that at that time he was working with Mr. Keith Rackner, whom has since been replaced.

Mr. Mainz went on to state that a couple years ago a two inch cap for the haul route was estimated, but soon that estimate will be null and void due to the deterioration of the road. Mr. Mainz stated that he may be forced to post the road in the next couple of years.

Mr. Thomas Atkins from KAMAX explained that he is working with his shipping department and creating mapping layouts for the truck drivers.

Deputy Orrie Smith stated that on KAMAX's behalf, the company has been working well with him and they have been very cooperative.

Mr. Mainz stated that he has a pre-construction meeting scheduled for the Safety Projects and an additional meeting for the rural and small urban funding through the Federal Government. Mr. Mainz explained that there is a lot of instructions on this new funding.

Public Comment

Ms. Lorie Mead-Clancy, 5084 Merwin Road

Ms. Mead-Clancy stated that she was present to request a four-way stop at the Hadley Road and Lippincott Road intersection. Ms. Mead-Clancy stated that Elba Township has received letters regarding the intersection and she would like to see the safety improved.

Mr. Mainz stated that he monitors every intersection yearly and that this intersection hasn't met the criteria so far. Mr. Mainz stated that he has checked the sight distance and it does meet the requirements.

Mr. Mainz stated that he will continue to look at the intersection each year.

Mr. Richard Brandt, Hadley Township

Mr. Brandt brought forth a complaint from citizens in his Township regarding the bicyclists that are using their roads for races on the weekends. Mr. Brandt asked if permits were needed to block the traffic. Mr. Hodge stated that the bicycles are allowed 2 abreast and must follow the same rules as a motor vehicle.

Mr. Michael Boskee, Elba Township Supervisor

Mr. Boskee was present to speak about the road funding and the Township's responsibility. Mr. Boskee stated that he would like to tackle some large projects and worries that Elba Township will never get ahead when they have to pay for culverts and other maintenance items. Mr. Boskee stated that representatives for the MTA are advising Townships against paying for any projects.

Mr. Gary Roy, County Commissioner

Mr. Roy spoke briefly about the history of the road funding issue between the County and the Township back in the eighties.

032509-066

Motion by Mr. Suma seconded by Mr. Duckert to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 a.m.

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

Douglas Hodge, Chairman

Linette Daily, Board Secretary