

**LAPEER COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, January 10, 2024
4:30 p.m.**

Present: Mr. John Howell, Chairman; Mr. Terry Jostock, Vice Chairman; Mr. James Novak, Jr., Member; Mr. Joseph Minaudo, Jr., Board Secretary; Mr. Destain Gingell, Interim Managing Director/County Highway Engineer; Mr. Zeb Schons, Superintendent.

Residents: Ms. Bethany Schroeder, Ms. Lisa Haack, Ms. Sherry Mawer, Nick Streichert, and Mr. Jeff Lutes.

Chairman Howell called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Approval of the Amended Agenda

011024-002

Motion by Commissioner Jostock, seconded by Commissioner Howell to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

Mr. Schons requested a closed session with the Board to discuss his job as superintendent.

Approval of Prior Board Meeting Minutes

011024-003

Motion by Commissioner Jostock, seconded by Commissioner Novak to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for December 27, 2023. Motion carried.

Approval of Disbursements

011024-004

Motion by Commissioner Novak, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll dated January 11, 2024 in the amount of \$582,123.26. Large Disbursements Summary was addressed. Motion carried.

Communications

Mr. Gingell informed the Lapeer Schools gave praise to the LCRC for their work during the last snow event.

Interim Managing Director

Mr. Gingell informed the road salt used so far this year is down from last year.

Mr. Gingell stated the LCRC Road Crews did a great job during the last winter storm.

Mr. Gingell also gave praise to the Shop for their great job keeping the equipment in service with no major breakdowns.

Finance Report

Mr. Minaudo gave an update on the first FY 2024 Budget Amendment, and Cash Flow.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Schons stated his concerns with the direction of the LCRC.

Engineering Report

Approval of ACT 51 Road Certification Maps with Additions and Deletions dated December 31, 2023.

011024-005

Motion by Commissioner Jostock, seconded by Commissioner Novak to approve ACT 51 Road Certification Maps with Additions and Deletions dated December 31, 2023. Roll Call Vote: Howell, Aye; Jostock, Aye; Novak, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Consideration of the retention of outside counsel to look at employee issues

011024-006

Motion by Commissioner Howell, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve Consideration of the retention of outside counsel to look at employee issues. Roll Call Vote: Howell, Aye; Jostock, Aye; Novak, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

None.

Commissioner Comments

Collectively, the Commissioners stated the LCRC did a great job with the snow removal.

2024 Election of Officers

Mr. Minaudo asked the Board for nominations for Chairman for the Board of Lapeer County Road Commission.

011024-007

Mr. Jostock nominated Mr. Howell for the 2024 Chairman of the Board of Lapeer County Road Commission. Roll call vote; Howell, Aye; Jostock, Aye; Novak, Aye. Motion carried to elect Mr. Howell as the 2024 Chairman of the Board.

011024-008

Mr. Howell, to nominated Mr. Jostock for the 2024 Vice Chairman. of the Board of Lapeer County Road Commission. Roll call vote; Howell, Aye; Jostock, Aye; Novak, Nay. Motion carried to elect Mr. Jostock as the 2024 Vice Chairman of the Board.

Closed Session, Review of Managing Director Position Resumes

Approval to recess into closed session to Review of Managing Director Position Resumes

011024-009

Motion by Commissioner Howell, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve recess into closed session to Review of Managing Director Position Resumes. Roll Call vote: Howell, Aye; Jostock, Aye; Novak, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval to leave closed session to Review of Managing Director Position Resumes

011024-010

Motion by Commissioner Novak, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve leaving closed session to Review of Managing Director Position Resumes. Roll Call vote: Howell, Aye; Jostock, Aye; Novak, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Selection of Managing Director Candidates for interview offers

011024-011

Motion by Commissioner Howell, seconded by Commissioner Jostock to approve selection of Managing Director Candidates for interview offers to Mr. James Recchia, Mr. Destain Gingell, Ms. Judith Greig, Mr. Michael Hemmingsen, and Ms. Michele Perry. Motion carried.

Being no further business, Chairman Howell declared the meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

John Howell, Chairman

Joseph P. Minaudo, Jr., Board Secretary