

May 25, 2023  
Baldwin, Michigan 49304

Regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Lake was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Commissioner Haslock.

Present - Richard Haslock, *LCRC Commissioner*  
Gary Truxton, *LCRC Commissioner*  
Joan Runnels, *LCRC Commissioner*  
William VanDyke, *LCRC Finance & HR Manager*  
Leroy Williams, *LCRC Manager*  
Shawn MacDougall, *LCRC Road Foreman*  
Tom Smith, *LCRC Road Foreman*  
David Leusby, *LCRC Shop Foreman*  
Al Dailey, *LCRC Finance Assistant*  
Dennis Robinson, *LCRC Engineer Tech*

Absent -

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Runnels to approve the May 9, 2023, special meeting minutes. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Truxton, Haslock, Runnels. Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Motion made by Runnels to approve the May 11, 2023, regular meeting minutes. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Truxton, Haslock, Runnels. Nays – 0. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF PAYABLES:

Motion made by Runnels to approve the Accounts Payable Voucher # 5174A for \$159.80, Accounts Payable Voucher # 5174B for \$6,162.86, Accounts Payable Voucher # 5177 for \$213,569.28, Payroll Voucher # 5176 for \$72,627.99, and FSA Voucher # 5178 for \$2,032.53. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Truxton, Runnels, Haslock. Nays – 0. Motion carried. Roll call vote.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bob Sneider asked if the commission had any intentions of closing or abandoning Velt Rd which leads past his property to the water's edge of Rainbow Lake. No action of closure or abandonment is being taken.

REPORTS FROM MANAGEMENT:

FINANCE & HR MANAGER:

Presented a resolution to accept the conditions of the Protecting MI Pension Grant Program.

Presented a new policy # 1072, to limit public comment to 3 minutes per individual.

Discussed the cash balance update, and available interest rates for equipment financing if needed.

MANAGER:

Wolf Lake Drain Public Hearing – There has been no appeals filed yet.

CRASIF is seeking nominees for trustees if anyone is interested.

Michigan Paving Materials – Emulsion trailer and pup has been picked up and training for eight employees consisting of drivers and mechanics has been completed.

Pit Day is planned for Thursday June 29<sup>th</sup> at the Webber Pit.

Runnels inquired about progress of the Chase Brine Facility cleanup. Most of the cleanup was performed by the road commission, keeping the cost lower than anticipated.

ROAD FOREMAN:

MACDOUGALL –

Pulling in road shoulders and claying continues.

Gravel on Merrillville Rd chip seal project is complete.

Forklift/loader training went well.

Elk Township is requesting a contract for the installation of a "HIDDEN DRIVE" sign. If a contract is signed, the installation will happen when the materials arrive.

SMITH -

Bar-X Road gravel placement is progressing well.

Brining of Yates and Pleasant Plains Townships are complete, and brining continues in Pinora and Cherry Valley Townships.

LEUSBY -

Bid opening for a long reach loader at 10:00 am.

Leroy and Dave to look at a semi tractor with wet kit. Chip seal work will begin near the middle of June 2023.

Discussion on a demo crusher for sale. Will try to have a demo setup for the June 29 Pit Day.

Portable automatic traffic regulators are working well.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made by Truxton to table the bids that were opened until the next meeting so that all the various options can be considered. Supported by Runnels. Yeas - Truxton, Haslock, Runnels. Nays - 0. Motion carried.

Motion made by Truxton to approve a resolution accepting the conditions of the Protecting MI Pensions Grant Program. Supported by Runnels. Yeas - Truxton, Haslock, Runnels. Nays - 0. Motion carried.

Motion made by Runnels to approve Policy # 1072 Limiting Public Comment to

impose a limit of 3 minutes per individual. Supported by Truxton. Yeas - Truxton, Haslock, Runnels. Nays - 0. Motion carried.

Motion made by Truxton to approve a contract with Elk Township to install a "HIDDEN DRIVE" sign. Supported by Runnels. Yeas - Truxton, Haslock, Runnels. Nays - 0. Motion carried.

## COMMISSIONERS PRIVILEGE:

Haslock - Anxious to see chip sealing begin. Brining looks good.

Truxton - Happy to see claying of roads.

Runnels - None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None.**

## ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Runnels. Supported by Truxton. Yeas- Truxton, Haslock, Runnels. Nays - 0. Motion carried 10:30 am

Next Meeting Date: June 8, 2023 Time: 9:00 am

Respectfully submitted by:

William D. Van Dyke - Secretary

Approved by:

Richard J. Haslock  
Richard J. Haslock - Chairman

### Gary Truxton - Vice Chairman

  
Joan Runnels - Member