

April 25, 2024  
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, *Finance & HR Manager*  
Leroy Williams, *Manager*  
Shawn MacDougall, *Road Foreman*  
Al Dailey, *Road Foreman*  
David Leusby, *Shop Foreman*  
Austin MacDougall, *Assistant*  
Dennis Robinson, *Engineer Tech*

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Haslock to approve the April 11, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Supported by Truxton.

Yea - Haslock, Truxton, Runnels. Nays - 0.

Motion carried. Roll Call vote.

#### APPROVAL OF PAYABLES:

A motion was made by Truxton to approve:

Payroll Voucher	# 5248	\$76,269.70
Accounts Payable Voucher # 5246A		\$48,000.00
Accounts Payable Voucher # 5249		\$228,363.75
FSA Voucher	# 5250	\$1,390.86

Supported by Haslock.

Yea - Haslock, Truxton, Runnels. Nays - 0.

Motion carried. Roll call vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**REPORTS FROM MANAGEMENT:**

**FINANCE & HR MANAGER:**

VanDyke presented a preliminary quote from DMC Unlimited that outlines a strategy for future replacement of the server and budgeting purposes.

The cash balance sheets are showing a gradual increase over the first quarter of 2024 as compared to a year ago.

**MANAGER:**

Absent.

ROAD FOREMAN:

MACDOUGALL -

Seasonal sweeping of intersections has begun.

The pulling in of shoulders on gravel roads is underway in preparation for claying and brining.

Patching sand breaks in Webber Township has been more prevalent as many side streets are not enduring the weight of larger garbage trucks.

DAILEY -

Updated the board on an issue of right of way encroachment involving a shed placed near the side of the road on CV Branch Road in Cherry Valley Township. The matter is now being handled through the building department.

Informed the board that he will be attending a court hearing at the courthouse regarding an individual that has been causing damage to James Road in Webber Township.

Hawkins and Saddler Roads near 11Mile Road in Dover Township are ready for gravel.

Has a tree crew working on Bonney Road in Chase Township cutting back trees where the road is too narrow.

LEUSBY -

Work on the gravel crusher continues. A representative from Maverick Environmental Equipment came to set the bearing preload on the rotor as that is a critical point.

The recently acquired used bucket truck is in the shop being prepared for service.

Bids for blade trucks will be ready for bid openings at the May 23, 2024, meeting.

ROBINSON -

Has been communicating with the USFS on estimate details of getting gravel to Hawkins and Saddler Roads near 11 Mile Road in Dover Township.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Policy # 1002 Political Signs was discussed as candidates are calling to understand the rules. Further review will need to happen as some points are not consistent with the MDOT policy regarding the state trunklines throughout the county.

A discussion was held on Velt Road in Lake Township regarding an incident where a motorist was attempting to access the lake through private property.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**COMMISSIONERS PRIVILEGE:**

Haslock - None.

Truxton - Pleased to see patch crews are out in full force to patch things over after winter damage.

Runnels - Has heard some complaints about pulling in shoulders.

ADJOURNMENT:

Next Meeting Date: May 9, 2024, Time: 9:00 a.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Truxton. Supported by Runnels.  
Yea - Haslock, Truxton, Runnels. Nays - 0.  
Motion carried 9:52 a.m. Roll Call vote.

Respectfully submitted by:

William D. Van Dyke  
William D. VanDyke - Secretary

Approved by:

Richard J. Haslock  
Richard J. Haslock - Chairman

Gary Truxton  
Gary Truxton - Vice Chairman

Joan Runnels  
Joan Runnels - Member