Chairman D. Brandt called the Regular Meeting of the Cheboygan County Road Commission at 9:00 A.M.

Clerk D. Stempky took roll call and a Quorum was present.

Pledge of Allegiance was cited

PRESENT: D. Brandt, D. Brown, C. O'Connor, J. Johnson, K, Paquet, Managing Director M. Roper and Clerk D. Stempky

VISITORS: G. Bunker, F. Cribb, S. Redmond, M. Ennes, C. Veneros, T. Matelski, M. Wilcome, C. Gyorkos, J. Northrop, C. Veneros, and D. deVore

MOTION by J. Johnson seconded by K. Paquet to approve minutes of last regular meeting of 2/6/14 as mailed. 5 Yeas CARRIED

MOTION by J. Johnson seconded by D. Brown to approve for payment current payroll voucher #14-06-$65,974.27 and accounts payable voucher #14-07-$132,318.09. 5 Yeas CARRIED

MOTION by J. Johnson seconded by D. Brown to approve agenda as presented. 5 Yeas CARRIED

Charles Gyorkos, 5997 Prospect Street, does not feel the road in front of his house is maintained properly, cow path and wants it widened and wants it placed where it should be. Greg commented the road is narrow and they plow in and back out due to not enough area to turn around, it is a dead end road. Greg did have his crew in their this past summer taking out some trees So he could back his boat into his driveway. M. Roper and Greg will look at Prospect Street, K. Paquet noted that is a local road and the process to get a road upgraded starts at the Township level where they request an estimate but that it is usually a special assessment passed onto the property owners for the cost.

Jim Northrop, Shire Road resident, wants to know why the intersection cannot be cleaned up on the first trip to open the road up instead of having to come back. Roper discussed the process of opening up all roads with a pass and the clean up comes later, if that process was not done then there would be road that would not get opened up in a reasonable time frame. Also, complained about the patching crew in how they do not patch everything and skip around this happens on numerous occasions.

Overtime snow removal policy, revised current policy and used Antrim County Road as a sample to develop a few different drafts.

MOTION by J. Johnson seconded by D. Brown to adopt Revised Policy #20 for Snow Plowing and Overtime as presented to replace #20 past policy:

CHEBOYGAN COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
POLICY #20
SUBJECT: SNOW PLOWING AND OVERTIME
I. PURPOSE

To establish a policy on priorities, use of overtime and conditions warranting snow plowing.

II. CONTENT

A. The Cheboygan County Road Commission places winter maintenance as its top priority.
B. Plowing priorities shall be guidelines. Special circumstances such as emergencies, localized areas of heavy snowfall, road conditions, special community events and roads of particular economic importance to the county may change priorities. The layout of plowing routes shall be organized so that unnecessary backtracking is minimized. Priority guidelines are as follows:

1. State trunklines:
a. US I-75.
b. M-33, M-68, US-23, M-27, M-212.
2. County Primary Roads.
3. County Local Roads.

C. State law prohibits the expenditure of Act 51 funds on anything other than public road right-of-way, therefore, requests for routine plowing or sanding off of road right-of-way shall be declined. The plowing and sanding of any road or driveway that is not certified by the Cheboygan County Road Commission is forbidden, except that when in the opinion of Road Commission supervisory personnel, a grave emergency situation exists that could, without the aid of the Road Commission, result in loss of life and/or serious loss of property. The extent of the services rendered shall be at the discretion of the supervisory personnel involved in the situation.

D. Seasonal roads shall not be plowed by the Road Commission. A person requesting that a seasonal road be plowed shall be informed of the policy for improving such road.

E. Roads to unoccupied dwellings where the owner has requested the Road Commission not plow shall be kept in a passable condition. Passable condition means the road shall be plowed when needed to maintain vehicle access.

F. Turnarounds are widened sufficiently to turn a snowplow truck around. When turnarounds are occupied by parked vehicles or other objects, the road to such turnarounds will not be plowed until such vehicles or objects are removed.

G. Driveways are not to be plowed except where they may be needed as turnarounds.

H. Every effort shall be made to keep state trunklines and county primary roads open during severe weather. County plows will be called into the garage, however, when in the opinion of management, bad visibility constitutes an undue risk of accident or progress cannot be made in controlling drifting snow.

I. Overtime shall be according to the Employee contracts at the discretion of the supervisory personnel with the following guidelines:

1. **Michigan Department of Transportation guidelines will be followed on all State routes.**
2. **County Primary roads are to be plowed and sanded until they are reasonably safe for travel, with overtime allowed as necessary on the most heavily traveled primary roads.**
3. **County Local roads will not normally be plowed on overtime. Due to the many variations in need, storm severity and other factors, overtime of local roads may occasionally be warranted at the discretion of supervisory personnel.**

J. Seasonal drivers will be called in to assist as needed during regular working hours. They may work during overtime hours only after all drivers have been called in and additional drivers are needed.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

The Manager is responsible for administering this policy.
This policy shall supersede all previous policies concerning snow plowing. 5 Yeas CARRIED

Managing Director Roper presented Illustrated list developed by Kathy Bunker for the Task Force, the only change the Board would like to see pavement markings added to list if it meets the eligibility.

MOTION by J. Johnson seconded by D. Brown to receive and file the following correspondence: Township Meeting Minutes: Koehler 1/13/14, Benton 1/7/14 and 1/14/14, Mackinaw 1/21/14, Munro 1/14/14 and Ellis 1/14/14; County Road Commissions Meeting Minutes of 12/10/13; CRAM Educational Opportunities; Dave Campbell Thank you for Grandview Beach Road; Michigan

Association Timbermen Ref. Logging; MCRCSIP February Board of Directors Meeting 2/20/14, Cheboygan Chamber Annual Awards Dinner; David Whittaker Ref. Retiree Health Insurance Dispute, CRASIF Loss Control Visit February 2014 and DPI Ref. Forest Product Industry.
5 Yeas CARRIED

CRAM educational seminars, Managing Director would like to send individuals to the Asphalt Preservation and Rehabilitation Materials and Techniques Workshop as well as the Safety Stew hosted by CRASIF/MCRCSIP.

K. Paquet complimented the **CREW FOR THEIR WORK**

J. Johnson (excused) for Township Meetings

Recess regular meeting at 9:35 A.M.

Return to regular session at 9:50 A.M. for the balance of the Annual Township Meetings

WILMOT TOWNSHIP-9:55 A.M.

VISITORS: C. Veneros, F. Cribb, M. Wilcome, Kathy Bunker, Greg Bunker

- 5,736 yards gravel Rondo Pit
- Projects for this year Old Sturgeon Road and W. Allen Creek Road will look at bidding out to private contractor, Township would like to be notified when preconstruction meeting takes place. Wilcome would like a completion date of August 30.
- Mike Wilcome would like a price on sealcoating N. Shire north of Wolverine Road, Wilcome would like Greg to shape up N. Shire Road from end of hard surface to end and they would seal coat as well if possible.
- Greg is hoping to pull shoulders and clay road in Wilmot this summer.
- Wilcome is trying to purchase some acreage there on N. Shire to place recycling area as well as the transfer station.
- Township discussed Millage and not in favor unless clarify what funds will be used for.

ALOHA TOWNSHIP-10:15 A.M.

VISITORS: Rod Ison, C. Veneros, Kathy Bunker, Shane Redmond, F. Cribb, Greg Bunker and Kourtny Hahn

- Discussed last year requests and all have been completed except Grant Siding Road, area is still wet on the corner, ditching may help, feel there is a spring coming off the Sullivan property that causes the problem.
- Tromble Drive will need come cold patch
- Shane asked what the Townships thoughts for paying for Afton Stone to keep roads together, due to the Grant Siding Road having been placed down in years past and not happy with result.
- 2,274 yards gravel Meyer Pit
- Grant Siding Road needs the burm pulled from the shoulders and ditching.
- Discussion of Pallister Road from Long Lake Road to the Aloha Pit/Dump. Charlie said never received a request for the whole road as requested but we never received a written request for the whole road, Township will send a request for the whole road.
- Township would like all of Aloha Township to be overseen by the Cheboygan Garage and reallocate the routes and allow Tower Garage to cover Waverly and Forest area.
- Aloha has their own Township Millage and do not support a county wide. Feel the PR from the Road Commission needs work and possible inserting a newsletter in summer tax bills would help to some extent on describing road funding.

KOEHLER TOWNSHIP-10:45 A.M.

VISITORS: F. Cribb, Greg Bunker, Kourtny Hahn, Kathy Bunker, Russell Crawford, Richard Knight and Helen Zimmer

- 813 yards Afton Pit
- Greg noted he spread gravel on W. Ostrander, Carter, Big Sky, Dunn, Cross and E. Mullett Lake Road
- Russell questioned Task Force money that was given to Tuscarora Township and why not offered to the other 18 Townships, Managing Director Roper noted the Township came to the Road Commission for help because they had a large project that was over 80% funded and was also a primary and federal eligible road. Noted that is not being used by Tuscarora but being applied back to the Mann Road/Black River Road project. Koehler would like it to have been applied to Ostrander/Quarry Road area.
- Richard Knight asked how does Ostrander/Quarry Road get put on the list, Roper commented the task force meets and priorities the projects. There are three spots in the past that were determined to be ad areas and would like to get estimates to work on those at this time to help alleviate some of the bad areas.
- Feel there is not trust with the Road Commission and do not support a Millage.
- Old Onaway Road they do not like the clay applied, Greg commented it holds that road together very well, may be bad for a short time for the benefit you get from it.
- Knight Road, Koehler Township feel does not get maintained as it should like others in the Township, will pass that message on to the Foreman.

Recess Regular Meeting at 11:35 A.M. for lunch

Return to Regular Session at 12:30 P.M.

ELLIS TOWNHIP-12:30 P.M.

VISITORS: J. LaPeer, Greg Bunker, Kathy Bunker, Kourtny Hahn and Bill Beebe

- Managing Director discussed last year progress
- 1,801 yards gravel Rondo Pit, if CCRC produces gravel let them know, may do some as well.
- Greg discussed various area he placed gravel in Ellis Township. Greg noted Brudy Road hill needs gravel, in years past crusher dust was applied and seemed to hold better. Bottom of that hill has drainage issues.
- Hatch Road culvert is not high on the FWS list but it has been discussed.
- Munger Road deep culvert no change
- Afton Road at Beebe corners needs to be wedged due to the trucks cutting that corner short and it gets torn up.
- No plans for projects at this time, need time to regroup after completing the projects last year.
- Greg would like to place gravel on Shocks Road to the west
- Opposed to a county wide millage, they currently have a Township millage

MENTOR TOWNHIP-1:30 P.M.

VISITORS: Greg Bunker, Kathy Bunker, Kourtny Hahn, Pete Canistra

- $2,500 for gravel again this year, 116 yards in Watson Pit
- Greg placed gravel on Mentor Townhall Road from Watson Road to Mentor Road. Also did some brushing an Wildwood Road and improved site distance and curves last summer
- Township will continue to brine as the past
- In support of a county millage, no interest in a Township millage

TUSCARORA TOWNSHIP-2:00 P.M.

VISITORS: Mike Ridley, Kourtny Hahn, Greg Bunker, Kathy Bunker, Brenda DuBois

- No support for county wide millage, looking at a Township Millage
- Discussion of Eagles Nest Road-Resident has taken that task for signing a petition to see if they can get it reconstructed for this summer.
- Discussed E/W Resort Road access
- 3,750 yards Rondo Pit, if we crush let them know they may produce additional gravel.
- Ridley updated Road Commission on Streetscape project, sewer project and veterans pier.

WALKER TOWNSHIP-2:40 P.M.

VISITORS: Kourtny Hahn, Brenda DuBois, Greg Bunker and Kathy Bunker

- Walker Road estimate they requested is too much for them at this time
- Would like the crack on Montgomery Road and Walker Road sealed, Greg will take the durapatcher in spring and complete that.
- May purchase gravel depending on how much brine cost this year. They passed a millage which raises approximately $7,000 per year.
- Updated Brenda on the two culverts that are getting replaced on Osmun Road and Walker Road at Gokee Creek with the help of FWS.
- She feels a county wide millage with specific details would help in gaining support.

Chairman adjourned regular meeting at 3:10 P.M. being no further business to come before the Board.

David F. Brandt, Chairman

Dana S. Stempky, Clerk