

Chairman Brandt called the Regular meeting to order 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: M. Ridley, F. Cribb, G. Bunker, S. Redmond, C. Veneros, M. Ennes, M. Conti,
Doug and Bernadine Whitcomb, Dan Nivel

MOTION by J. Johnson seconded by K. Paquet to approve minutes of special meeting February 19, 2014 and regular meeting of February 20, 2014 as mailed. 5 Yeas **CARRIED**

MOTION by D. Brown seconded by J. Johnson to approve for payment current payroll voucher #14-08-\$89,732.93 and accounts payable voucher #14-09-\$237,568.96. 5 Yeas **CARRIED**

MOTION by D. Brown seconded by J. Johnson to approve agenda with the following addition: New Business-Advertise for local road projects of Wallick Road, Old Sturgeon Road/Allen Creek and Mullett Lake Road. 5 Yeas **CARRIED**

Bernadine Whitcomb-Wolverine resident presented and read letter of concern of Henry Collins Road and Wolverine Road intersection. Greg Bunker discussed what was performed in the past about 15 years ago and what may be a fix. Mrs. Whitcomb suggested a blinking caution light placed may help with traffic.

Dan Nivel and Mike Ridley, Tuscarora Township DDA, discussed the S. Straits Hwy project and reverse parking that they want to keep in the plan, it allows 30 extra parking spots in the summer when they need the parking. They would like the Road Commission to maintain the reverse parking as parallel parking in winter and wants the opinion of the Road Commission to perform that. Greg Bunker, Foreman, did not feel would be a problem. Greg will get with Dan and Kathy Bunker to review. Board does not have a problem with the plowing as long as the Foreman and drivers are aware.

MOTION by K. Paquet seconded by D. Brown to adopt the following Resolution:
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the County of Cheboygan is a rural county relying on a quality county road system for transportation. And,

WHEREAS, that road system consists of numerous bridges that have been in existence for several decades and are in need of repair in order to maintain safe travel on said county road system, as well as support economic growth. And,

WHEREAS, Orchard Beach Road Bridge over the Black River needs rehabilitation, Black River Road Bridge over the Upper Black River needs replacement, Black River Road Bridge over the Black River needs rehabilitation, Paradise Lake Structure over Mud Creek needs replacement and Freeway Trail Bridge over the Sturgeon River is in need of replacement. And,

WHEREAS, the replacement of these structures is necessary for the safe and efficient travel of residents, emergency service vehicles, school buses, and commercial traffic in Cheboygan County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Cheboygan County Road Commission seeks funding for Orchard Beach Road Ridge over the Black River, Black River Road Bridge over the Upper Black River, Black River Road Bridge over the Black River, Paradise Lake Structure over Mud Creek and Freeway Trail Bridge over the Sturgeon River through the Local Bridge Program.
5 Years 0 Nays **CARRIED**

Managing Director is on vacation March 20 and requesting a change in meeting date to Monday, March 24 or Tuesday, March 25, 2014.

MOTION by D. Brown seconded by J. Johnson to change next regular meeting from Thursday, March 20, 2014 to Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. 5 Years **CARRIED**

Clerk present Resolution opposing adoption of Proposed Grant Accounting Rules

MOTION by J. Johnson seconded by K. Paquet to adopt the following resolution opposing adoption of proposed grant accounting rules as follows:

**Resolution Opposing Adoption of
Proposed Grant Accounting Rules**

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Treasury proposes to amend the generally accepted method of reporting and budgeting of grant funded projects, and

WHEREAS, the Cheboygan County Road Commission is committed to transparency, both internally and externally, partly by openly sharing clear, consistent and lay person usable information, and

WHEREAS, the Cheboygan County Road Commission finds that the Michigan Department of Treasury proposal is incompatible with transparency efforts

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Cheboygan County Road Commissioners opposes of the proposed change in grant accounting,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Cheboygan County Road Commission will submit this resolution and supporting information to the Michigan Department of Treasury

Moved by Commissioner J. Johnson seconded by Commissioner K. Paquet that the resolution of is adopted by the Board and as recommended by Staff.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas: Brandt, Brown, O'Connor, Johnson, Paquet

Nays: 0

DEQ contacted the Road Commission in reference to the Tower Garage environmental issues and a proposal was requested and received from Mackinaw Environmental at a cost of \$11,833.00 to complete and close the issue.

MOTION by D. Brandt seconded by J. Johnson to authorize the Managing Director Roper to sign the agreement for the Tower Garage Environmental Issues Work Plan and Budget Proposal at a cost of \$11,833.00 as presented. 5 Years **CARRIED**

Union requesting work schedule change to 4 day-10 hour to start Monday April 28th through Thursday, September 25, 2014. Managing Director suggested start April 28, 2014 through August 28, 2014.

MOTION by J. Johnson seconded by D. Brown to approve change in work week schedule from 5 day to 4 day-10 hours schedule to start Monday, April 28, 2014 through Thursday, September 4, 2014 (6:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M and office hours from 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M). 5 Years **CARRIED**

List of mowers and attachments presented to sell, Minimum bid will be placed on each item and will be offered to the Employees first and public if employees not interested. Brandt commented to make sure fair price is placed on them and not giving away, Managing Director will review before notice put up.

Engineering Tech K. Bunker would like to place bids out for Wallick Road, Old Sturgeon Road/Allen Creek and Mullet Lake Road.

MOTION by J. Johnson seconded by K. Paquet to allow Engineering Tech K. Bunker to place bids out for Wallick Road, Old Sturgeon Road/Allen Creek and Mullett Lake Road. 5 Yeas CARRIED

MOTION by J. Johnson seconded by D. Brown to approve following correspondence: Township Meeting Minutes of Munro 2/11/14, Mackinaw 2/18/14, Benton 2/4/14, Tuscarora 2/4/14 and Mullett January–March 2014; County Board of Commissioners Organizational/Finance/Business Meeting of 1/14/14 and Committee of the Whole 1/28/14; Aloha Township request for estimate for Pallister Road; Dennis Lafrinere FOIA; Cheboygan Master Plan; Trudy Cash Ref. Bilder Road; Mullett Township request for estimate S. Extension Road; DEQ Ref forest products, logging and trucking; Kopka Pinkus Dolin & Eads FOIA; Safety Committee Meeting Minutes of 2/12/14; DNR North Region Pedestrian and Bicycle Committee; MCRCSIP request for Candidates for Board of Directors; CRASIF call for Board of Trustee Candidates; and Cheboygan County Business Meeting Agenda March 11, 2014. 5 Yeas CARRIED

F. Cribb, Koehler Township, inquired about status of Parrott's Pointe Road Access, Managing Director has not heard anything.

J. Johnson commented **THANK YOU TO CREW FOR GOOD WORK**

Discussion of Emergency Service Policy due to Core of Engineers and DNR wanting the Sheriff Department to use the hovercraft to monitor the waterways for ice dams that may develop. The two individuals that are able to run the craft work for the Road Commission and the Emergency Service Policy states we will allow up to 2 hours and anything over and above employee needs to use their vacation time. Discussion of whether to allow them additional time over the two hours and not require to use vacation time. Consensus is to stay with the Emergency Service Policy and not make exceptions, if the employees are needed for the hovercraft they are allowed up to 2 hours and any additional time will need to use their vacation time.

Paquet would like the Millage be put on the next meeting agenda to discuss, the Action Committee at the County meets April 8 to review the millage request of the Road Commission if we choose to continue as the deadline for County Board Approval to be placed on the Primary Election Ballot deadline is May 13, 2014. Ken also discussed the CRAM Annual Highway Conference and meeting with legislatures.

Chairman D. Brandt adjourned regular meeting at 10:20 A.M. being no further business to come before the Board.



David F. Brandt, Chairman



Dana S. Stempky, Clerk