

Chairman Brown called to order the Regular Meeting of the Cheboygan County Road Commission to order at 9:00 A.M.

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

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: D. Brown, D. Brandt, C. O'Connor, H. Ginop, K. Paquet, Engineer/Manager B. Shank and Clerk D. Stempky

VISITORS: K. Muscott, C. Gouine, J. Moore, R. Witthoff, D. Jensen, I. Drier, A. Jensen, F. Cribb, S. Witthoff, C. Veneros, S. Redmond, G. Archambo, T. Maylone, C. Antkoviak, B. Hartwig, C. Krensire, G. Bunker, S. Redmond, T. Horrocks, and K. Hahn.

MOTION by D. Brandt seconded by H. Ginop to approve minutes of last regular meeting of 11/22/2017 as mailed. 5 Yeas **CARRIED**

MOTION by D. Brandt seconded by H. Ginop to approve for payment current payroll voucher #17-47-\$93,499.58 and accounts payable voucher #17-48-\$207,690.73. 5 Yeas **CARRIED**

MOTION by D. Brandt seconded by K. Paquet to approve agenda as presented. 5 Yeas **CARRIED**

Chairman D. Brown presented G. Bunker with a retirement Plaque, card and hat for his 32 years of service and the Board wished him well.

Tim Maylone-Cherry Capital Communications

- Discussed they are a high speed service provider and currently working in Benton and Grant Township. They install 20 foot towers for internet service which is in high demand in areas where they have no options for service. Discussed the policy the Board passed in July requirements of \$100 permit fee upon installation, \$300 annual fee for maintenance and a \$4,000 fee per tower installed in the ROW, non refundable. Feels the fees are high for private companies trying to bring a service to the County. Would like the Board to consider changes the policy. He currently is working in 12 counties and feels Cheboygan has been the most costly regarding the fees. Engineer/Manager Shank commented the policy the Road Commission adopted was used from CRA and MCRCISIP examples. CRA and MCRCISIP wanted counties to be consistent statewide and were recommending a \$10,000 price, we reduced to \$4,000 similar to the surrounding counties. Manager stated we need to protect ourselves in case these companies no longer exist and the Towers need to be removed if in the ROW. Mr. Maylone will gather additional information of what he has done in other counties and forward onto Cheboygan. He did state he is currently working in Emmet County and working on private property at this time.

Ron Witthoff-Silver Strand Resident (private section)

- Discussed to history of the maintenance for the last 40 years and was conducted under contract with the Road Commission. Feels the road is same in appearance as the county section of the Road, There are approximately 13 residents that are impacted. He feels the proposed area of the turn-around to be potentially built is not in a good spot and being able to use the turn-around at the end of the private portion is the best option. The residents are pursuing an option of Statue MCL 221.20A where the residents can petition the Township with the consent of the Road Commission to have a private road taken over as a public road through a friendly lawsuit in Circuit Court. There are a few requirements and one is the Consent of the Road Commission, friendly lawsuit, public funds spent on maintenance for last 10 years, 51% support of property owners and Township support. The Statue also provides the Road standards can be lessened for these type of situations if the Road Commission chooses. Engineer/Manager Shank stated he has been to a few meetings lately and Road Commissions he has

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talked to says not to accept anything under 66 feet of ROW, feel should not further burden the system with lesser standards of less than 66 feet ROW. Manager stated the public portion of Silver Strand Road has a 66 foot ROW. The current road is approximately 20 feet ROW and the Board feels that is not enough for the Board to take over. The Board feels the residents and Engineer/Manager can continue to meet and lay out the 66 foot ROW to see where it falls and work from there.

Engineer/Manager Shank 6 month evaluation will be performed in closed session after the regular session at request of Shank.

County Engineers' Workshop is set for February 13-15, 2018.

MOTION by K, Paquet seconded by H. Ginop to authorize B. Shank and T. Horrocks to attend the County Engineers' Workshop, February 13-15, 2018. 5 Yeas CARRIED

Clerk stated a typo appears in the November 2, 2017 minutes, the motion states a 3.5% employee contribution and should be 3.0% per contract agreements.

MOTION by D. Brandt seconded by K. Paquet correct minutes of November 2, 2017 to state Defined Benefit Plan Adoption Agreements reflect the employee contribution changes for 2018 from 2.5% to 3.0% contribution with each unit effective dates different. 5 Yeas CARRIED

MOTION by H. Ginop seconded by C. O'Connor to receive and file the following correspondence: Township Meeting Minutes: Burt 5/4/17, 6/1/17, 7/6/17, 8/3/17, 9/7/17, 10/5/17 & 11/2/17; Mackinaw 11/21/17 and Mullett 11/7/17; Safety Committee Minutes of 12/1/17 and State Maintenance November 2017. 5 Yeas CARRIED

Engineer/Manager Shank Update:

- Tri County Excavating is aware of the restoration finishes for Laperell Road and will complete in the spring
- Beebe Road the gate and posts will be removed 12/8/17

Foremen Updates:

Greg: Winter maintenance, beavers are a big issue this year on Osmun Road. Currently training his successor Darry August.

Shane: Winter maintenance and grading. Feels the safety training on chain saws has been very helpful to the crew.

Board thanks for the CREW for GOOD Job

C. Muscott commends the Board for sticking to the policy of the Board for private road issues.

C. Veneros and G. Archambo commented they would like to see the high speed service come into the County. Engineer/Manager commented that it is a statewide issue with the DAS systems and the Road Commissions need to stay uniform.

Recess regular session at 10:12 a.m. before the closed session of the Engineer/Manager's 6 month evaluation.

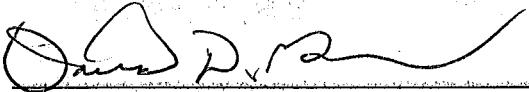
Return to regular session at 10:20 a.m.

MOTION by K. Paquet seconded by C. O'Connor to go into closed session at 10:21 a.m. for the Engineer/Manager Shank 6 month evaluation per request of B. Shank. 5 Yeas CARRIED

MOTION by C. O'Connor seconded by H. Ginop to return to open session at 10:55 a.m. 5 Yeas CARRIED

Discussion of preliminary Budget

Chairman adjourned regular meeting at 11:05 A.M. being no further business to come before the Board.



David D. Brown, Chairman



Dana S. Stempky, Clerk