

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
DICKINSON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2022**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dickinson County Road Commission was held on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. at the Road Commission office located at 1107 S. Milwaukee Ave., Iron Mountain, MI 49801.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carey and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bilski, Commissioner Olson, Commissioner Brisson, and Commissioner Carey

ABSENT: None

Also present were: Jim Harris, Managing Director; Denny Olson, Breitung Township; Henry Wender, County Board Liaison; Todd Rowell, Dickinson County Road Commission; Guy Livermore, Dickinson County Road Commission, and Ken Nelson, Kingsford.

CITIZEN'S TIME: None

APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA: Chairman Carey asked if anyone had any amendments to the agenda. Being none, a motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson to approve the agenda. All ayes, and the motion carried.

APPROVE REPORTS: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to approve the Managing Director, Director of Finance, Engineer, Superintendent, and Construction Supervisor reports as presented. All ayes and the motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES: A motion was made by Commissioner Brisson and supported by Commissioner Bilski to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2021 Regular Meeting. All ayes and the motion carried.

APPROVE PAYMENTS: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to approve payrolls in the amount of \$202,033.90. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson to approve time checks in the amount of \$179,263.90. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to approve material bills in the amount of \$166,698.42. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

The total for the approved was \$547,996.31

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF BUSINESS CONDUCTED WITH EXISTING BOARD MEMBERS AND THE DICKINSON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION (Bilski Enterprises, Johnson Farms, Carey Logging and Quintin Olson Enterprises, LLC.): Managing Director Harris stated this need to be acknowledged in the minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson to Acknowledge

Business Conducted with Existing Board Members and the Dickinson County Road Commission. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

APPROVE BID DATES AND AUTHORIZE LET BIDS FOR 2022: Managing Director Harris explained the Authorization of Let Bids and Bid Dates. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to Approve Bid Dates and Authorized Let Bids for 2022. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

APPROVE MEETING DATES FOR 2022 AND CHANGE THE MARCH MEETING DATE TO MONDAY MARCH 7th: Managing Director Harris stated that the meetings will continue to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month with the exception of the March Meeting. He further stated the CRA conference in Lansing is that week and would like to move the meeting to Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, so staff may attend. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson to Approve Meeting Dates as presented. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN AND ENGINEER TO DOCUSIGN BREITUNG AVENUE PROJECT CONTRACT & BOARD TO SIGN RESOLUTION: Managing Director Harris explained to the Board that this is for the Breitung Avenue Cold in Place Project. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to Authorize Chairman and Engineer to Docusign the Breitung Avenue Project Contract and the Board to Sign the Resolution. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN BREITUNG AVENUE PROJECT COVERSHEET: Managing Director Harris explained that this is part of the process and that we should add Engineer Malburg as a signer. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson to Authorize the Chairman and Engineer to sign Breitung Avenue Project Coversheet. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

AUTHORIZE CLOSING OF PINE MOUNTAIN ROAD FOR SKI TOURNAMENTS: Managing Director Harris stated this is the annual closure, and that he has been in contact with Tournament Officials. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson to Authorize the Closing of Pine Mountain Road for Ski Jump Tournaments. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN ACT 51 MAPS: Managing Director Harris informed the Board that this is also an annual procedure. A brief discussion took place. A motion was made by Commissioner Brisson and supported by Commissioner Johnson to Authorize Chairman to Sign Act 51 Maps. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

COUNTY BOARD LIAISON: Henry Wender, County Board Liaison stated that Chairman Carey called him regarding funding for the Road Commission with Covid funding the County will be receiving. He further stated that the County Board has hired a consultant to guide them on where they can direct extra funding that will be received. A brief discussion took place.

TOWNSHIP COMMENTS: Denny Olson, Breitung Township Supervisor stated that it would be helpful if the County Board would appropriate some Covid funding to

roads. A discussion ensued. He then stated that Ed McBroom was happy with the recent meeting that took place at the Breitung Township Hall.

CITIZENS TIME: None

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILEGE: Commission Olson informed the Board of a call he received regarding an accident after the last monthly meeting. A discussion took place.

Commissioner Bilski stated that \$250,000 of County Board funding would result in an \$1,000,000 investment in Roads with the Township Match.

Chairman Carey informed the Board of a recent article he read regarding the lack of snow plow drivers, and thankful we have the crew we do.

Managing Director Harris informed the Board of the new CDL requirements that will be implemented and actions he will be taking.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn. All ayes, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:32P.M.

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Jim Carey, Chairman

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Jim Harris, Acting Secretary