

MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Monday, October 16, 2017 – 1:30 p.m.

PRESENT: William H. Siler Chairman
Kenneth A. Rowe Vice Chairman
Gene Londo Member
Kevin P. Harju County Engineer
John D. Cima Assistant Engineer
Kim R. Sohlden Secretary
Scott Ala County Commissioner

GUESTS: Louis Sullivan, Laird Township

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, William H. Siler, at 1:30 p.m.

Louis Sullivan appeared before the board and stated the South Laird Road is being skip graded and would like to see the whole road graded. Kevin said he will look into it.

Moved by Mr. Rowe, supported by Mr. Londo, to approve payment of bills and payrolls in the amount of \$ 1,161,413.24, covered by vouchers #16/17-71, #16/17-72, #16/17-74, #16/17-75 and #17/18-02, and payroll vouchers #16/17-73 and #17/18-01.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Rowe, supported by Mr. Londo, to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2017 regular monthly meeting.

Motion Carried.

Correspondence was read and discussed.

Moved by Mr. Londo, supported by Mr. Rowe, to give all regular employees a \$150.00 holiday grocery certificate and to include the wording "not for purchase of any alcohol or tobacco".

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Rowe, supported by Mr. Londo, to authorize Kevin P. Harju to notify Mr. Paul Tomasi, the Houghton County Road Commission board would like to proceed to trial in the Randell case.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Londo, supported by Mr. Rowe, to take the end of the Lower Worham Road off the Seasonal Road system, as it has been improved to Houghton County Road Commission specifications by Corey and Trista Soumis, and will be maintained in the future.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Rowe, supported by Mr. Londo, to approve the payment of \$ 9,457.53 to the county road Association of Michigan, for membership service charges, October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Londo, supported by Mr. Rowe to approve of the Performance Resolution For Governmental Agencies required by the Michigan Department of Transportation, and authorize Kevin P. Harju and John D. Cima, sign for the Houghton County Road Commission.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Londo, supported by Mr. Rowe, to approve payment of \$ 4,000.00 towards the installation of a new metal roof on the Wolverine Oil House, which the Keweenaw County Historical Society is leasing, and to be installed by Duane Coponen, in 2018 or 2019, depending on funding.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Londo, supported by Mr. Rowe, that the following resolution be unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Houghton County Board of Road Commissioners should enter into an agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the purpose of fixing the rights and obligations of the parties in agreeing to the following construction projects:

Control Section	STL 31000
Job Number	200629A
Project	STP 1731(006)
Federal Item No.	JJ 5659
CFDA No.	20.205 (Highway Research Planning & Construction)
Contract No.	17-5331

Pavement marking work along various federal-aid routes countywide; and all together with necessary related work.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the chairman, William H. Siler, vice chairman, Kenneth A. Rowe, and engineer, Kevin P. Harju, be authorized to sign said agreements, proposals and/or construction contracts for the above project.

AYES: Siler, Rowe, Londo

NAYS: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Londo, supported by Mr. Rowe, to pay for up to \$ 30.00 towards flu shots for employees.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Rowe, supported by Mr. Londo, to hire six (6) seasonal sander driver's for 2017-2018, three (3) in Ripley; two (2) in Calumet; one (1) in Alston.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Londo, supported by Mr. Siler to accept the final offer, between the Houghton County Road Commission and General Teamsters Local Union No. 406, dated October 12, 2017, if it is passed by the union members, when voted on and authorize the Vice-Chair and the County Highway Engineer to sign the contract.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Rowe, supported by Mr. Londo, that the office base salaries and hourly rates be set bi-weekly, according to the following schedule, and would be effective 01/01/2018.

Wages for Non-Union Employees
Approved Wage Adjustment
For 2018, 2019 and 2020

Name	Approved 2018 Wage	Approved 2019 Wage	Approved 2020 Wage
Kevin P. Harju	\$ 95,462.00	\$ 98,803.17	\$ 102,261.28
John D. Cima	75,058.80	77,685.86	80,404.87
Kim R. Sohlden	67,014.23	69,359.73	71,787.32
Ray Saatio	65,026.94	67,302.88	69,658.48
Michael Keranen	52,189.14	54,015.76	55,906.31
Robert P. Tarvis, Jr.	44,505.00	46,062.68	47,674.87
Brandon M. Jurmu	24.83/hr.	25.70/hr.	26.60/hr.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Londo, supported by Mr. Rowe, that the meeting be adjourned at 2:35 p.m., there being no further business.

Motion Carried.