

MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Monday, November 1, 2022 – 1:30 p.m.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Houghton County, Michigan, was held at the office in Ripley, Michigan on Monday, November 1, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.

PRESENT: William H. Siler Chairman
Gene Londo Vice Chairman
Pete Torola Member
Kevin P. Harju County Engineer
Rob Tarvis Secretary
Roy Britz County Commissioner

GUESTS: Dale Peterson, Tim Gasperich

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

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Torola to open the USDA Rural Development Grant Public Hearing at 1:30 PM. On a voice vote, the motion carried Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Kevin Harju discussed the grants with the board and public.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Torola to close the USDA Rural Development Grant Public Hearing at 1:35 PM. On a voice vote, the motion carried Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Torola, to approve payment of bills and payrolls in the amount of \$1,511,116.41, covered by AP vouchers #22/23-03 and #22/23-05, payroll voucher #22/23-04 and to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2022 monthly meeting. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Correspondence was read and discussed.

Moved by Mr. Londo, supported by Mr. Torola, to set the following dates for regular monthly meetings in 2023.

January	16	July	17
February	20	August	21
March	20	September	18
April	24	October	16
May	15	November	6
June	19	December	18

Other important dates:

TBD Houghton County Public Hearing for 5-year transportation plan

TBD Rural Task Force meeting for 5-year transportation plan

November 3, 2022 Great Lakes Council Meeting, Baraga

January 5, 2023 Great Lakes Council Meeting, Baraga

February 2-3, 2023 UPRBA Winter Meeting, Marquette

February 7-9, 2023 County Engineer Workshop, Bellaire

March 21-23, 2023 CRA Annual Meeting, Lansing

April, TBD, 2023 Commissioner Seminar

May 4, 2023 Great lakes Council Meeting, Baraga

October 4-5 2023 Finance and Human Resources Conference, Alger County

June 14-15, 2023 UPRBA Summer Meeting, Harris

September 7, 2023 Great lakes Council meeting, Baraga

October 4-6, 2023 Superintendents Meeting

On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Torola and supported by Mr. Londo, to authorize Kevin Harju to sign the two service agreements with Stanton Township that were discussed. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Torola and supported by Mr. Londo, to authorize Massie Road Pay Application #4 in the amount of \$383,810.11. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Torola to authorize Kevin Harju to sign the Teamsters Letter of Agreement. This will apply to union and non-union employees. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Torola and supported by Mr. Londo to authorize Kevin Harju to continue with the USDA Grants in the amount of \$1,235,850 with a local match of \$1,011,150 for a total equipment cost of \$2,247,000. Changes reflect an estimated 5% increase on the cost of the equipment. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Torola, to adjourn the meeting at 1:49 P.M., there being no further business. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.