

MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
Monday, March 20, 2023 – 8:00 a.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, March 20, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Pete Torola Chairman  
William H. Siler Vice Chairman  
Gene Londo Member  
Kevin P. Harju County Engineer  
John Cima Assistant Engineer  
Lori Budweg Secretary

GUESTS: Tim Gasperich – Calumet Township

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Pete Torola at 8:16 a.m.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Siler, to approve payment of bills and payrolls in the amount of \$512,424.06, covered by AP vouchers #22/23-32, #22/23-34, #22/23-35, and #22/23-37, payroll vouchers #22/23-33, and #22/23-36 and to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2023 monthly meeting. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Correspondence was read and discussed.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to authorize the purchase of 1,650 tons of road salt for the 2023/2024 season through the State of Michigan, MiDEAL program. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Siler, to approve the Chassell Township Service Agreement for an ARPA Funds project on Klingville Road and Seventh Street as presented and authorize Kevin Harju to sign it. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to approve advertising of bids for the materials as presented and have the bids due on April 10, 2023. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to authorize Rob Tarvis and Lori Budweg to attend the CRA Finance & HR seminar in Traverse City in May. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Siler and supported by Mr. Londo, to authorize Kevin Harju to submit a Category F Grant Application for 2025 to finish Coal Dock Road for a total project cost of \$396,500. The Category F funds would be \$317,200 and the HCRC match would be \$79,300. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Siler, to approve the MDOT Performance Resolution for Municipalities authorizing the County Highway Engineer and Assistant Engineer to apply for permits within State Highway Right of Way and authorize the Chairman, Pete Torola to sign it. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Siler, to submit the audit to Treasury in March after Rob Tarvis and Kevin Harju review it. The board will review it in April. The auditor from Anderson & Tackman told Rob it can be submitted to Treasury prior to board approval. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Moved by Mr. Londo and supported by Mr. Siler, to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 a.m., there being no further business. On a voice vote, the motion carried. Ayes 3, Nays 0.