

January 27, 2022

Chairman Mayer called the **regular meeting** of the Branch County Road Commission to order at 9:00 AM, with Commissioner Travelbee, Commissioner Weigt, Manager-Clerk Miller and Superintendent Bell present. Guest present was Cathy Weigt.

Absent: Commissioner Liaison Matthew

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to approve the agenda. Motion Carried 3-0.

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee; approve the **January 13, 2022** board minutes, as presented. Motion Carried 3-0.

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee; monies be received as follows: Fibre Optic Management (Permit) \$300; Batavia Twp. (AR) \$436.75; Branch County (AR) \$158.80; Yesh Metals (Scrap) \$1,494; BC Parks (AR) \$14,471.50; Handy Exc. (Permit) \$125; Drain Comm. (AR) \$599.76; Nagel Exc. (Permit) \$100; Oxcart Permits (Permits)\$4,350; **Totaling \$22,035.81.** Motion Carried 3-0.

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee, following the audit of bills and payroll, for payments **totaling \$191,331.54 for week ended 1/27/2022** is approved. Motion Carried 3-0.

Public Comment: None

Manager-Clerk Miller discussed and reviewed the following information with the Board:

- A. Board Room Calendar (February 10, 2022 has a scheduling conflict)
- B. MDOT State Trunkline Meeting (Covered Maintenance Budget and discussed demonstration of new materials)
- C. Chainsaw Training on 1/31/22 thru 2/1/22
- D. Demolition of the Old Barns at the New Pit (Photos of progress distributed)
- E. Use of American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) Funds (Utilizing Covid funding for radio system upgrade to be compatible with the new emergency response radio system in Branch County)
- F. Confirmation of rsvp for SE Council Meeting – February 7
- G. Confirmation of rsvp for Highway Conference and Road Show – March 8-10

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt, seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to adopt Proposal B of the 2022 Branch County Road Commission Local Road Cost Share Policies. Motion Carried 3-0

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt, seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to adopt the 2022 Dust Control Local Road Policy as amended. Motion Carried 3-0

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to accept the 2022 County Act 51 Annual Mileage Certification Report. Motion Carried 3-0

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to adopt the New Trainee Program, Policy #33. Motion Carried 3-0

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt, seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to approve the Resolution of Commitment and Support for the Statewide Local Agency Bridge Bundle Program. Motion Carried 3-0

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt, seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to allow Jim Losinski to carry over vacation time. Motion Carried 3-0

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt, Seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to move the February 10, 2022 Board meeting to February 14, 2022 at 9:00 AM. Motion Carried 3-0

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt, seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to vote for Brad Lamberg, Barry on the CRA Board of Directors Ballot. Motion Carried 3-0

Superintendent Bell updated the Board on recent activities. Tree cutting projects are in progress and additional works have been hindered by the below freezing temperatures.

**MOTION** by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee for adjournment with no further business to come before the Board. Motion Carried 3-0.

The meeting closed at 10:15 a.m.

The Board of Commissioners went into a Closed Session.

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Robert Mayer, Chairman

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Steve Weigt, Member

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Randy Travelbee, Member

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Jay Miller, Manager-Clerk