

March 10, 2022

Chairman Mayer called the **regular meeting** of the Branch County Road Commission to order at 9:33 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 **February 24, 2022** board minutes, as presented. Motion Carried 3-0.

MOTION by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee; monies be received as follows: Bucklin Farms (Permits) \$100; Ryan Christy (Permit) \$50; Moore Trucking (Permit) \$300; Van Vorst Farms (permit) \$50; Great Lake Glads (Permits) \$100; Higbee Farms (Permit) \$50; Higbee Trucking (Permit) \$50; Oak Prairie Farms (Permits) \$200; Mike Moore (Permit) \$50; Warner Oil (Permits) \$150; LDK Farms (Permits) \$250; David Dryer (Permits) \$100; 3A Dist Ct (Sign damage) \$62.50; Consumers Energy (Permit) \$200; Robert Miner (Permit) \$50; Washburn Acres (Permits) \$100; Terry Cole (Permit) \$50; Bloom Farms (Permits) \$200; Curt Albright (Permits) \$100; Coldwater Schools (AR) \$429.69; Dan Roberts (Permit) \$100; Alan Sattler (Permit) \$200; Leon Knirk (Permit) \$50; Doug's Recyclers (Scrap) \$57.22; Consumers Energy (Permit) \$200; Larry Sikorski (Permit) \$50; James Mayer (Permit) \$50; B&T Partnership (Permit) \$50; Consumers Energy (Permit) \$200; **Totaling \$3,599.41.** Motion Carried 3-0.

MOTION by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee, following the audit of bills and payroll, for payments **totaling \$241,841.85** 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
- B. MERS Update (Will continue to work toward 100% Funding)
- C. Update on the Two (2) New Peterbilt Trucks (Now have VIN #'s – will be shipped in April to Truck & Trailer)
- D. CRA Crossroads Magazine – Spring 2022 Edition (Featured Jay Miller & Mike Hard – will forward article to local newspaper)
- E. MCRCSIP Board of Director Positions

Manager-Clerk Miller recommends purchasing a new, larger trailer, to transport the new Skid Steer. The new trailer will be devoted to the skid steer, which will be heavily used.

MOTION by Commissioner Mayer, seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to seek an additional quote for the purchase of a new skid steer trailer along with the possible trade in value of the old trailer and to use the most reasonable quote. Motion Carried 3-0

Manager-Clerk Miller reviewed with the Board the Priority List for the Local Bridge Program. It was recommended to approach Branch County for ARPA Fund monies to support bridge repairs in the county.

MOTION by Commissioner Weigt, seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to approve the Priority List for the Local Bridge Program Call as presented.

Upon roll call vote the results were as follows:

Yes – Mayer, Travelbee, Weigt – 3

No – 0

MOTION CARRIED

Plans were presented for a new 100 x 100 Hoop Barn to be constructed for equipment storage. The hoop barn design was chosen for the speed of construction and capacity. After discussions, it was recommended that a 100 x 120 Hoop Barn be considered.

MOTION by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to change the purchase order to add the Tiger Mower attachments for the New Holland T6.145. Motion Carried 3-0

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

The meeting closed at 10:24 a.m.

Robert Mayer, Chairman

Steve Weigt, Member

Randy Travelbee, Member

Jay Miller, Manager-Clerk