

April 7, 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 **March 24, 2022** board minutes, as presented. Motion Carried 3-0.

MOTION by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee; monies be received as follows: Shimp Excavating (Permit) \$150; Jaon Gilcrest (Permit) \$50; Consumers Energy (Permit) \$200; McConnell & Scully (Permit) \$50; Consumers Energy (Permit) \$200; Frontier Comm. (Permits) \$400; L&E Const. (Permit) \$50; L&E Const. (Permit) \$50; Shimp Exc. (Permit) \$150; Frontier Comm. (Permit) \$150: **Totaling \$1,650.00**. Motion Carried 3-0.

MOTION by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee, following the audit of bills and payroll, for payments **totaling \$401,477.47** 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. Processing Gravel (manager Miller provided photos and an update)
- C. Update on Radio Installation (Should be completed within the next two weeks)
- D. Update on Peterbilt Trucks (Truck and Trailer are ready to receive the new trucks and will complete the deck out within 90 days. Expect delivery in July)
- E. Upgrades at the Central Pit Asphalt Plant (Concrete work – pad and retaining wall system should be ready by May 15th)
- F. Update on Renovation of the Breakroom (Manager Miller provided photos of the work in progress and advised that the windows will also be replaced)
- G. Local Agency Bridge Bundling Program – Phase II (Will advertise on the radio when work is started on the bridges)
- H. FY 2022 Scrap Tire Market Development Grant Recipient (Will repair a section of Ray-Quincy road south of the village using Michigan tires that are processed in Middlebury, IN.)

MOTION by Commissioner Weigt, seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to approve the variance for the new Sanitary Sewer Line at 520 Iyopawa Road. Motion Carried 3-0

MOTION by Commissioner Travelbee, seconded by Commissioner Weigt to authorize Chairman Mayer to sign the Act 51 Attest Sheet.

Upon roll call vote the results were as follows:

Yes – Mayer, Travelbee, Weigt – 3

No – 0

MOTION CARRIED

Manager Miller advised that the retirement party for Larry Kehoe went well and announced that James Losinski has retired as of April 7, 2022.

MOTION by Commissioner Weigt seconded by Commissioner Travelbee to table the discussion on the new Facility Storage Structure Layout and Cost until the next meeting. Motion Carried 3-0

Jason Trott discussed with the Board the advantages of purchasing the Western Star Truck. The trucks would be key ready when delivered with no additional modifications needed. Prices are locked in, with payment upon delivery, likely in Spring 2023.

MOTION by Chairman Mayer seconded by Commissioner Weigt to approve the purchase of two

Western Star trucks at the quoted price of \$309,092.00 each. Motion Carried 3-0

The Board has requested a quote for two additional trucks in the future, approximately six months beyond the current order.

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

The meeting closed at 10:40 a.m.

Robert Mayer, Chairman

Steve Weigt, Member

Randy Travelbee, Member

Jay Miller, Manager-Clerk