

1500 Scribner Avenue, NW  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

June 25, 2019

The Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Kent met in the Road Commission Offices.

The regular meeting was called to order by Commissioner Rambo, Chairman at 8:00 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Rambo, Janes, Medema and VerHeulen, Managing Director Warren, Director of Finance Barcheski and Executive Secretary Luneke.

Excused: Commissioner Morren.

Also present: Deputy Managing Director - Engineering Harrall, Deputy Managing Director - Operations Byrne, Director of Equipment Roose, Director of Traffic and Safety Haagsma, Assistant Director of Traffic and Safety Wollner, Assistant Director of Finance in charge of Purchasing Wiegerink, Human Resource Manager Dennis, Human Resource Coordinator Nanzer, Employee Safety Coordinator Smith, Building and Equipment Supervisor Thompson, Administrative Specialist Napieralski, Glenn Preston and Martha Preston-Jankowiak.

There was no public comment.

Director of Building and Equipment Roose stated that he was pleased to recognize Glenn Preston who is retiring after forty-three years of service. He thanked Mr. Preston for his dedication, hard work and years of service to the Kent County Road Commission and Staff. Director of Building and Equipment Roose presented Mr. Preston with a plaque and reviewed his work history. Mr. Preston was hired in 1973 as a part-time

Labor 1 employee doing building maintenance. In 1976, he was hired as a full-time Labor II employee. He stated that Mr. Preston worked at the Central Complex for 40 years and at Dwight Lydell Park for 3 years. Director of Building and Equipment Roose stated that it has been a pleasure working with him. He has always had a positive outlook. All present wished Mr. Preston the best of luck in his retirement and stated he would be missed.

Commissioner Rambo offered the following certificate in honor of Glenn Preston's years of service at the Kent County Road Commission and his retirement.

*Kent County Road Commission  
Certificate of Appreciation  
Presented to*

**Glenn Preston  
Building Specialist I**

*In recognition of his service, commitment and  
Contributions to the Kent County Road Commission.*

It was moved by Commissioner Janes, seconded by Commissioner VerHeulen that the Board **adopts the certificate of appreciation** and the **Board and Staff wish Glenn Preston many happy and fulfilling years of retirement.**

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Rambo, Janes, Medema, and VerHeulen — 4.

Nays: 0.

The Board discussed minutes of the Board meeting held Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

Moved by Commissioner Janes, seconded by Commissioner VerHeulen that the **minutes be approved as written.**

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Rambo, Janes, Morren, and VerHeulen — 4.

Nays: 0.

The disbursements for the check run dated June 14, 2019 were presented to the Board by Director of Finance Barcheski. She stated Payroll included \$17,384.62 in overtime.

The detail of construction estimates are as follows:

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Brenner Excavating	100 <sup>th</sup> Street – Eastern Ave. to Kalamazoo Avenue (estimate #1)	\$ 45,665.42
Dean’s Landscaping & Excavating, Inc.	Leonard St. and Crahen Ave. intersection realignment (estimate #1)	49,219.31
Kamminga and Roodvoets, Inc.	Lamoreaux Dr. - Alpine Ave. to West River Drive (estimate #5)	204,644.25
Michigan Paving and Materials Company	Cannon Twp. mill and fill (estimate #2)	73,954.68
Rieth-Riley Construction Company	Courtland Township mill and fill (estimate #1)	358,425.00
	Plainfield Township mill and fill (estimate #1)	361,751.84
	Plainfield Township partial mill and fill (estimate #1)	326,475.48
Superior Asphalt, Inc.	76 <sup>th</sup> St. - Sierrafield Dr. to Clyde Park Ave. mill and fill (estimate #2)	3,031.56
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,328,282.81</b>

Director Barcheski stated the General Fund has \$29,843,298.45 remaining after approval of disbursements. Of that amount, \$4,808,781.77 is unavailable operating funds, leaving \$25,034,516.68 in total available operating funds.

Moved by Commissioner Medema, seconded by Commissioner VerHeulen that **Payroll of \$731,753.37, Construction Estimates of \$1,328,282.81, Accounts Payables of \$1,409,877.91, and Cash Balances and Investments for the check run dated June 14, 2019, are approved by the Board, and warrants ordered drawn for the same.**

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Rambo, Janes, Medema, and VerHeulen —4.

Nays: 0.

Director Barcheski reviewed for the Board the May 2019 Financial Statements.

The report was received for information.

Managing Director Warren requested authorization to purchase right-of-way.

Deputy Managing Director Harrall stated that Valerie Pierce, Deborah Ohansian and Sophia Maslowski, the owners of property located at 2108 84th Street have agreed to sell additional highway easement to accommodate the 84th Street reconstruction scheduled for 2020. The compensation is for a permanent highway easement 17 feet wide by 247.5 feet (4,208 sq. ft.) valued at \$0.70 / sq. ft. for an improved parcel for a **just compensation of \$2,945.00.**

**Easement Description:**

A Highway Easement, the exterior Boundary of which is described as:

Commencing at the North 1/4 Corner of Section 21, T05N, R11W Gaines Township, Kent County, MI.; thence S89°26'21"E 661.81 feet along the North line of said Section 21; thence S00°44'47"W 33.00 feet to the Southerly Right of Way for 84th Street and the Point of Beginning; thence S89°26'21"E 247.50 feet along said Right of Way; thence S00°44'47"W 17.00 feet along the Easterly Property Line; N89°26'21"W 247.50 feet along a Line which is parallel with the Southerly Right of Way; thence N00°44'47"W 17.00 feet along the Westerly Property Line to the Point of Beginning. Contains 4,208 square feet more or less and is subject to other easements and restrictions of record.

Moved by Commissioner VerHeulen, seconded by Commissioner Janes that Staff is **authorized to purchase right-of-way from the above at the total just compensation of \$2,945.00**, as recommended by Staff.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Rambo, Janes, Medema, and VerHeulen — 4.

Nays: 0.

Managing Director Warren requested authorization to relinquish existing drainage easement at 3940 Knapp Street, Section 14, Grand Rapids Township.

Deputy Managing Director Harrall stated the recent Knapp Street widening project included concrete curb and gutter and storm sewer between Dunnigan Avenue and Maguire Avenue. The storm sewer associated with this work included a modification to the storm water outlet at 3940 Knapp Street. The owner, Jodi Wilterdink, has granted a drainage easement for the new storm sewer outlet. Staff is requesting the 1960 drainage easement, which is no longer needed for Knapp Street drainage, be relinquished to accommodate construction of a storage building over the former easement.

Moved by Commissioner VerHeulen, seconded by Commissioner Janes that the Board authorizes to **relinquish existing drainage easement at 3940 Knapp Street**, as recommended by Staff.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Rambo, Janes, Medema, and VerHeulen — 4.

Nays: 0.

Managing Director Warren requested authorization for final street takeover approval for Rapids Drive, Section 12, Gaines Township.

Deputy Managing Director Harrall stated Rapids Drive is located south of 68th Street and east of East Paris Avenue in Section 12, Gaines Township. This 3-lane curb and gutter public street has been constructed in accordance with the approved plans and KCRC Commercial / Industrial Street Standards. The north portion of the street will be utilized primarily for truck access into the new Amazon Distribution Facility on the south side of 68th Street. The street is approximately 1,790 feet long with a temporary cul-de-sac on the south end.

Commissioner VerHeulen offered the following resolution with reference to taking over of the platted streets, roads, and highways, as listed below, located in Kent County, Michigan.

## RESOLUTION

### Takeover of Roads and Streets for Rapids Drive

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Kent that the **Rapids Drive**, an un-platted road, located in the County of Kent, hereinafter, be taken over as a County road and made part of the County road system of the County of Kent, viz:

Street Name	Township	Section	Length (ft.)
<b>Rapids Drive</b>	Gaines, T5N, R11W	NE 12	1791 ( <i>Ground Distance</i> )

**Rapids Drive**, an 86 feet wide parcel of land, being a part of the Northeast quarter of Section 12, T5N, R11W, Gaines Township, Kent County, Michigan, the centerline of which is described as: Commencing at the North quarter corner of said Section; thence approximately South 87°53'01" East 398.71 feet Grid Distance (398.76 feet ground distance) along the North Line of said Section to the Place of Beginning; thence approximately South 02°06'59"

West 1790.76 feet Grid Distance (1790.98 ground distance) to the Point of Ending. [*Basis of Bearing: North line of Section 12, T5N, R11W, per Kent County Remonumentation as recorded in Liber 289 of Surveys, Page 9. Both grid and ground distances are shown in this description. The relationship between grid and ground distances is: GRID DISTANCE multiplied by the township mean scale factor of 1.00012522 equals GROUND DISTANCE (GRID X 1.00012522 = GROUND)*]

**Further, be it resolved,** that it is hereby acknowledged that the un-platted streets, roads, and highways, listed and described herein, are for use by the public and are located within the right-of-way under the control and jurisdiction of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Kent, and

**Further, be it resolved,** that it is hereby stipulated that the un-platted right-of-ways, listed and described herein, are for public road purposes, are accepted into the County Road System, and are open to motor vehicle (i.e. automobile, truck, etc.) traffic.

**Further, be it resolved,** that it is hereby stipulated that there shall be no ingress or egress authorized over or across from the lands north of lines extending easterly and westerly 43.0 feet perpendicular to said centerline of Rapids Drive at above described point of ending to the adjoining lands south of said lines; and that this stipulation shall expire, and be null and void, at such time as an extension of Rapids Drive is taken-over as a public street.

**Further, be it resolved,** that the Board authorizes by permit that the sidewalks, retaining walls, two private storm sewers crossing at approximately 102 feet south (48-inch diameter pipe) and approximately 502 feet south (60-inch diameter pipe) of the North Section Line, and other appurtenances located within the right of way, and that the Board, and its staff, employees, and agents, shall not maintain said sidewalks, retaining walls, irrigation systems,

private storm sewers, and related appurtenances, that others shall maintain said sidewalks, retaining walls, irrigation systems, private storm sewers, and related appurtenances.

Moved by Commissioner VerHeulen, seconded by Commissioner Janes that the **resolution is adopted and takeover of all the roads in the listed plat is authorized**, as recommended by staff.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Rambo, Janes, Medema and VerHeulen -- 4.

Nays: 0.

Assistant Director of Finance Wiegerink requested authorization to award bids as follows:

- a. Purchase of **2019-2020 requirements of various grader blades.**

Staff recommends the award of the bid to purchase 2019-2020 requirements of the following specified grader blades, to **Valk Manufacturing Company**, New Kingston, PA, lowest responsive and responsible bidder and subject to independent testing, at the prices indicated, for a total of **\$143,973.10** to be approved by the Board.

$\frac{3}{4}$ "x8"x6' single bevel blade at a cost of **\$91.77 each**  
Total Cost \$94,523.10 for 1,030 blades

$\frac{5}{8}$ "x8"x9' plow blade at a cost of **\$88.00 each**  
Total Cost \$8,800.00 for 100 blades

$\frac{3}{4}$ "x8"x6' serrated blade at a cost of **\$81.30 each**  
Total Cost \$40,650.00 for 500 blades



- b. **Contract #19-14:** Production/process of aggregate (non-processed recycled asphalt) for stockpiling at the District Complexes, as needed.

Staff recommends the award of Contract #19-14 to **Barber Creek Sand & Gravel**, Kent City, Michigan, the only bidder at a cost of **\$4.20 per ton** to crush and process various tons of recycled material at the District Complexes, as needed.

- c. **Contract #19-30:** 84<sup>th</sup> Street and Byron Commerce Drive / Chesterton Drive, Byron Township – Primary Safety Project – new traffic signal installation.

Staff recommends the Board's approval to award Contract #19-30 to **Strain Electric, Inc.**, Grand Rapids, Michigan, lowest responsive and responsible bidder at a total cost of **\$175,000.50**.

- d. **Contract #19-59:** Byron No. 57 – 100<sup>th</sup> Street 0.50 miles west of Clyde Park Avenue, Byron Township – Primary Bridges and Culverts – replace corrugated metal pipe with a 14-foot by eight-foot concrete box culvert.

Staff recommends the Board's approval to award Contract #19-59 to **Wonsey Tree Service Inc.**, Alma, Michigan, lowest responsive and responsible bidder at a total contract cost of **\$185,944.75**.

- e. **Contract #19-62:** Furnish and Haul 23A Modified Limestone to one (1) local road in Solon Township – N. Division Avenue north of Solon Street – Local Road Resurfacing.

Staff recommends the Board's approval to award Contract #19-62 to **Yellow Rose Transport**, Grandville, Michigan, lowest responsive and responsible bidder at a cost of **\$21.00 per ton** for a total cost of **\$31,500.00**.

Moved by Commissioner VerHeulen, seconded by Commissioner Janes that Staff is **authorized to award the above-listed contracts**, as recommended by Staff.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas: Commissioners Rambo, Janes, Medema, and VerHeulen — 4.

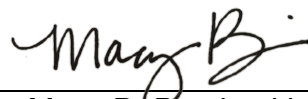
Nays: 0.

Managing Director Warren stated with all the rain we have been receiving, the water is rising and the grass is growing. He stated Deputy Managing Director Byrne was interviewed this week on TV 13. Deputy Managing Director Byrne stated the rain has pushed construction back 10 days or more from the normal, which is 4 days a month. The month of May had 19 days of rain, which is more than past construction seasons.

Deputy Managing Director Harrall stated the 44<sup>th</sup> Street at Patterson Avenue has begun. The traffic has been backed up. The other projects which have begun are Leonard Street and Crahen Avenue realignment and Cascade Road from Forest Hill Avenue to Spaulding Avenue.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Macy D. Barcheski, Secretary