

**Board Minutes**  
**January 6, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners was held at their office at 500 Huron Street on Thursday, January 6, 2011 at 10:00 A.M. **Present:** Vice Chairman Burtch, Commissioner McClain **Absent:** Chairman Hartman **Administrative staff present:** Managing Director Donald A. Babcock, Clerk of the Board Verna M. Meharg, Engineer Tech Tim McCarthy, Superintendent Lee Danner, and State Foremen's Robin Pratt, Rusty Argue **Public attending:** Jim Boylan, Gary Piper Alta Equipment, Chris Overmire Michigan Cat, Sandra Pittman, Dan Prause, and Caleb from the Avalanche

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** It was moved by Vice Chairman Burtch and seconded by Commissioner McClain to retain Chairman Hartman in his current position. Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea

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It was moved by Vice Chairman Burtch and seconded by Commissioner McClain to retain Commissioner McClain as Drain Commissioner. Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea

It was moved by Commissioner McClain and seconded by Vice Chairman Burtch to approve the Regular Board Minutes of December 22, 2010 as Presented. Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea

**Payroll voucher #01** in the amount of **\$52,906.20** was moved to pay by Vice Chairman Burtch and seconded by Commissioner McClain. Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea

**Accounts Payable voucher #07** in the amount of **\$108,973.99** was moved to pay by Vice Chairman Burtch and seconded by Commissioner McClain. Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea

**SUGGESTION BOX:** None

**VISITORS WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Two (2) Articulated Motor Graders. It was moved by Commissioner McClain and seconded by Vice Chairman Burtch to accept the recommendations of the staff for leasing two Volvo graders – Five years with an option package for \$2,081.57/unit. Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Managing Director Babcock received a letter from Mr. Ron Duquette regarding vacating N. Roberts Road. It was moved by Vice Chairman Burtch and seconded by Commissioner McClain to forward the letter to William Carey Attorney for the Road Commission. Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea

**MANAGING DIRECTORS COMMENTS:**

- Robert Madsen approached Managing Director Babcock regarding severance pay of 100% of his sick time. After some discussion It was moved by Vice Chairman Burtch and seconded by Commissioner to table any decision until the next meeting on January 20, 2011. Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea
- Both New Trucks are on the road
- Managing Director Babcock has set up a meeting with Major Robson at Camp Grayling
- Mark Kniss, Maple Forest Township Supervisor was sent an email from the Managing Director regarding setting up a meeting with Waste Management. Had not heard back from him.
- Still waiting to hear back from Peter Pettalia on his schedule and meeting with Road Commissions in Alpena
- The new garage heating system will be installed the week of January 10, 2011
- The new waste oil furnace is in and working so the trucks are thawing slightly

It was moved by Vice Chairman Burtch and seconded by Commissioner McClain to recess the regular meeting at 10:25 a.m., awaiting the arrival of Sue Medler from Crawford County Central Dispatch to answer some questions regarding the naming of an easement in Grayling Township Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea

It was moved by Vice Chairman Burtch and seconded by Commissioner McClain to re enter the regular meeting at 10:27 a.m. Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea

**911 ROAD NAME:** After much discussion, It was moved by Commissioner McClain and seconded by Vice Chairman Burtch to name an easement in Grayling Township, T26N, R3W, section 5 as "Remington Way" Roll call: Burtch yea McClain yea

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

- Vice Chairman Burtch spoke with Steve Sendek regarding his Beaver Control Contract. Mr. Sendek would like to renew his contact with the Road Commission with no increase. Managing Director Babcock has already reviewed his contract and will be sending him a letter of automatic renewal with no increase.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner McClain and seconded by Vice Chairman Burtch to adjourn at 10:37 am. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Jim Burtch, Vice Chairman

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Verna M. Meharg, Clerk of the Board