

Regular Session of the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, was held Via Zoom at 5:00 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance to the American Flag was given.

Present: Commissioner Dave Allen, Commissioner Eric Shafer, Commissioner Vince Mifsud, Commissioner Rodney Chupp, Commissioner Jack Coleman, Clerk Julie Mayuiers

Staff Members Present: John Lindsey, Managing Director
Garrett Myland, PE & Asst. Manager

Guests: Robert Tomlinson, TR Commercial News
Edward Klein, resident of Smith Road

The Clerk of the Board asked for nominations for the Chairman of the Board of County Road Commissioners of St. Joseph County for the year 2021.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mifsud nominating Commissioner Allen to act as the Chairman of the Board of County Road Commissioners of St. Joseph County for the year 2021 seconded by Commissioner Chupp.

Clerk Mayuiers stated that a Motion was made by Commissioner Mifsud seconded by Commissioner Chupp nominating Commissioner Allen to act as the Chairman of the Board of County Road Commissioners of St. Joseph County for the year 2021 and asked if there were any additional nominations. No one responded.

Vote was unanimous by those in attendance in favor of Commissioner Allen as the new Chairman.
Motion carried.

Chairman Allen asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of St. Joseph for the year 2021.

Motion was made by Commissioner Chupp nominating Commissioner Shafer to act as the Vice-Chairman of the Board of County Road Commissioners of St. Joseph County for the year 2021 seconded by Commissioner Mifsud.

Chairman Allen stated that a Motion was made by Commissioner Chupp seconded by Commissioner Mifsud nominating Commissioner Shafer to act as the Vice-Chairman of the Board of County Road Commissioners of St. Joseph County for the year 2021 and asked if there were any additional nominations. No one responded.

Vote was unanimous by those present in favor of Commissioner Shafer as the new Vice-Chairman.
Motion carried.

2021 Committees:

- Executive Committee: Chairman Allen & Vice Chairman Shafer
- Finance Committee: Chairman Allen & Vice Chairman Shafer
- Policies Committee: Commissioners Coleman & Mifsud
- Engineering Committee: Commissioners Coleman & Mifsud
- Public Relations Committee: Vice Chairman Shafer & Commissioner Chupp
- Parks Committee: Commissioner Chupp

Motion by Commissioner Mifsud seconded by Commissioner Coleman to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Mifsud seconded by Vice Chairman Shafer to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2020 Work Session & Budget Hearing. Motion carried.

Public Hearing was held regarding Failed Local Road Policy on Smith Road. Discussions took place and Smith Road will be pulverized and returned to gravel in 2021. Manager John Lindsey attended the Mendon Township Meeting on December 8, 2020 to discuss possible solutions and the Mendon Township Board agrees that pulverizing is best.

Motion

Motion by Vice Chairman Shafer seconded by Commissioner Mifsud that the audit contract with Rehmann Robson CPA’s be extended for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020, with an annual cost of \$13,100.00 for auditing the financial records, accounts and procedures.

Roll Call Vote taken: Ayes: Chupp, Coleman, Mifsud, Shafer, Allen
Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: None Motion carried.

I, Julie A. Mayuiers, Clerk of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of St. Joseph, State of Michigan, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy as recorded in the minutes of the meeting of January 6, 2020.

Julie A. Mayuiers

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Clerk of the Board

Commissioners Comments:

Mifsud: Happy New Year everyone. Hopes everyone is staying safe and your families are good. Welcome to Commissioner Jack Coleman.

Chupp: Welcome to Commissioner Jack Coleman. We finished a record year in 2020 and I don’t want it to be lost that we successfully completed a record number of miles of roads paved in St. Joseph County and they look fantastic. He had an elected official tell him that the improvements in the roads were great. Garrett, John, and Julie did a good job also, keep it up.

Shafer: Well said Rod. I look forward to working with Jack. Look forward to working with Rod on the PR Committee. Thanks for the confidence and nomination of Vice Chairman again. I will get out and drive Smith Road and make my own opinion of it’s condition.

Coleman: Thank you all for the conversations we’ve had and the warm welcome to the Board. I know I have some pretty big shoes to fill. I received a call from John Bippus congratulating me and he

offered some suggestions and is available in the future if Jack has further questions. I hope you see what I have to offer to the Board and I look forward to being a part of the Board going forward.

Allen: Great comments by all. Thank you in the confidence to elect me to serve as Chairman again in 2021. We are going to get many things done again in 2021. Great job by everyone.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm

David H. Allen, Chairman

Julie Mayuiers, Clerk of the Board
