

GENESEE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

February 09, 2018

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Kautman-Jones called the Special Board Meeting of the Genesee County Board of Road Commissioners to order at 10:01 a.m. The meeting was held in the Board Room of the Genesee County Road Commission, 211 W. Oakley, Flint, Michigan 48503-3995.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Shirley Kautman-Jones, Chairperson
John Mandelaris, Vice-Chairperson
Robert Johnson, Commissioner
David Arceo, Commissioner
Cloyce Dickerson, Commissioner

Absent:

None

Others Present: Fred Peivandi, Randy Dellaposta, Donna Poplar, Anthony Branch, Coetta Adams, Genesee County Road Commission Staff; Dave Guigear, (Mundy Township Supervisor), Chris Gehringer (Clayton Township Supervisor), Steven Fuhr (Genesee Township Supervisor) Gary Stevens (Thetford Township), Joe Madore (Richfield Township Supervisor), Karyn Miller (Flint Charter Township Supervisor), Karen Miller (Davison Township Supervisor), Larry Green (Mt. Morris Township Supervisor), Rick Caruso, Derico Cooper, Joyce Wilson, Arthur Woodson, Mary Laetz, (Genesee County Clerk's office), Attorney Tom Derderian (Michael Kluck & Associates), Linda Kossak, Secretary of the Board of Road Commissioners

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson Kautman-Jones.

PUBLIC ADDRESS THE BOARD

Mr. Arthur Woodson, 402 W. Stewart Avenue, Flint, MI, addressed the Board regarding this morning's Board meeting to consider Manager-Director John Daly's employment at the Road Commission. Mr. Woodson questioned the legality of conducting a closed meeting today under the Michigan's Open Meetings Act.

Mr. Woodson also had concerns regarding the customer service position that was recently posted by the Road Commission. Chairperson Kautman thanked him for his comments.

Ms. Karyn Miller, Flint Charter Township Supervisor, congratulated Chairperson Kautman-Jones on her appointment to the Board of County Road Commissioners.

Ms. Joyce Wilson 5006 Lorraine St., Flint MI, addressed the Board regarding the recent appointment of a Commissioner to the Road Commission by the County Board.

Mr. Dave Guigear, Supervisor, Mundy Township, expressed his support for the Board and would like to support the Board in their consideration of road issues in the county.

Chairperson Kautman-Jones stated that at this time the Board of Genesee County Road Commissioners will move into closed session to discuss a legal opinion, as provided to the Genesee County Board of Road Commissioner's in writing on January 17, 2018, per MCL 15.268(h); MCL 15.243(1)(g);(MCL 15.267(1).

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: Mandelaris, Dickerson, Arceo, Johnson, Kautman-Jones

No: None

MOTION CARRIED.

(At 10:12 a.m., the Board moved into a closed session)

(At 10:52 a.m., the Board moved into open session to continue its regular order of business)

BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS' DECISIONS

DISCUSSION

Severance Agreement and Release with John Daly

Chairperson Kautman-Jones made a motion that the Genesee County Board of Road Commissioners approve and enter into the Severance Agreement and Release with John Daly, as negotiated and presented by its attorney and further, to authorize the Chairperson of the Board to sign the agreement for and on behalf of the Board of Genesee County Road Commissioners.

Commissioner Johnson stated that the moral of the Road Commission has hit rock bottom due to these proceedings regarding Manager-Director John Daly. The employees at the Road Commission are concerned about their future.

Chairperson Kautman-Jones, without objection, adjourned the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

At 10:53 a.m. the Board of Genesee County Road Commissioners reconvened back into regular session to take a roll call vote on the motion of the Severance Agreement and Release with John Daly.

Present: Shirley Kautman-Jones, Chairperson
John Mandelaris, Vice-Chairperson
Robert Johnson, Commissioner
David Arceo, Commissioner
Cloyce Dickerson, Commissioner

Absent: None

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Chairperson Kautman-Jones made a motion that the Genesee County Board of Road Commissioners approve and enter into the Severance Agreement and Release with John Daly, as negotiated and presented by its attorney and further, to authorize the Chairperson of the Board to sign the agreement for and on behalf of the Board of County Road Commissioners.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Chairperson Kautman-Jones – Yes
Commissioner Dickerson – Yes
Commissioner Johnson – No
Commissioner Arceo – Yes
Vice-Chairperson Mandelaris – Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Chairperson Kautman-Jones read a statement that the Board of Genesee County Road Commissioners and John Daly announce that they have reached an agreement to end their employment relationship. Mr. Daly is resigning as Manager-Director and intends to pursue his retirement and other potential professional opportunities. He will cooperate with the Board to assure a smooth transition as the Board searches for his successor. The Board has named Mr. Anthony Branch and Mr. Fred Peivandi as Co-Interim Manager Directors to guide the Road Commission. The Board wishes Mr. Daly the very best in all his future endeavors and would like to thank him for his 18 years of dedicated service.

Chairperson Kautman-Jones, without objection, adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

JOHN J. GLEASON
Clerk/Register

Linda B. Kossak, Secretary of the
Board of Road Commissioners
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