

The meeting of the Calhoun County Board of Public Works was held on Wednesday, July 16, 2008 at 6:37 p.m. in their office located at 13300 Fifteen Mile Road, Marshall, Michigan.

Present: Commissioner Hugh T. Coward, Chairman
Commissioner Eric J. Tobin, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Scott A. Brown, Member
Commissioner Charles E. Monaweck, Member
Kevin S. Henning, Managing Director
Pixie Coats, Human Resource Director
Angie Kline, Assistant County Highway Engineer
Tiffany Eichorst, Solid Waste Department Director
Mary Jo Crumpton, Secretarial Clerk

Excused: Commissioner Chester E. Travis, Member

Also Present: General Public

Chairman Hugh Coward called the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Board of Public Works to order at 6:37 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Commissioner Tobin and supported by Commissioner Monaweck to approve the June 18, 2008 regular meeting minutes of the Calhoun County Board of Public Works. Voice vote: Motion carried.

SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR REPORT ON PUBLIC WORKS

Mrs. Eichorst provided information on the following:

- We are soliciting bids for our recycling and waste services beginning in 2009. Allied Waste and Republic waste haulers are merging.
- The Brownfield Petroleum grant cooperative agreement will be coming soon from the EPA. To date, we have not had many interested parties. Checking on the status of the assessments done on the State Farm property.
- The Duck Lake project bid opening is scheduled for Wednesday, 7-23-08 at 2:00 p.m. at the Clarence Township Hall. Mrs. Eichorst will email information to Commissioners. Mrs. Eichorst noted that she spoke with Les Stark, Clarence Township Supervisor, regarding the letter and invoices sent by Mr. Henning. Clarence Township's attorney is questioning the amount owed. Mr. Henning stated that he provided all information to the attorney at an earlier date. Discussion continued.
- The Battle Creek recycling on Raymond Road is a mess. Mrs. Eichorst stated that she put an article in the newspaper regarding the contamination problems that will result in closing the recycling center if the contamination continues. Cereal City Recycling is approximately one mile from our Battle Creek location. Commissioner Brown suggested gating the recycling center and/or using video surveillance. Commissioner Monaweck stated his concerns about the Battle Creek recycling location because it is very secluded. It should be fenced off. Commissioner Brown and Mr. Henning agreed that the Solid Waste Management Fund should pay to fence the recycling area.
- The contract for the Solid Waste Department to be housed at CCRC expires at the end of this year.

SUPERVISORS, PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND CITIZENS TIME

- Mr. Dick Harvey, Bedford Township, commented that township residents love the recycling bin that is dropped off at the township hall once per month, and he noted that it fills up quickly.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Commissioner Tobin inquired about the recent problem with the recycling bin in Athens Township recently. He believes that the bin was full when it was dropped off. Mrs. Eichorst replied that according to Allied, the bin was not full when it was dropped off, but must have filled up quickly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting of the Calhoun County Board of Public Works is scheduled for Wednesday, August 20, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. or following the 5:30 p.m. Road Commission Board meeting.

There being no additional business before the Board, Chairman Coward adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Submitted by:

Mary Jo Crumpton, Secretarial Clerk

Hugh T. Coward, Chairman