

Van Buren County Board of Road Commissioners
Summary of Proposed Minutes

October 29, 2019
Special Session - Administrative Office, Lawrence, Michigan

BE IT REMEMBERED: That on the 29th day of October, 2019 at 4:00 PM, E.D.T., the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of Van Buren met in special session in the offices in Lawrence, Michigan.

PRESENT: Road Commissioners Askew, Boze, Burluson, Kinney, and Moffat
Finance Director Linnea Rader
Highway Engineer Barry Anttila
Operations Director Greg Brucks
Fleet & Facilities Superintendent Gary Rohacs
Administrative Assistant-Board Secretary Jill Brien

GUESTS: Donna Spenner, Lawrence Township
Daniel Faulkner
Linda Norton, Columbia Township
Steven Rogusta, Village of Breedsville
Kristina Longcore, Accounting Clerk/Safety Coordinator

Chairman Boze called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Chairman Boze requested that 3A, Procedure for Selecting Interview Candidates, be added to the Agenda.

Motion by Askew, seconded by Kinney to approve the revised Agenda.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

Various ideas were discussed regarding the process by which application packages would be evaluated, especially in light of the confidentiality requested by two applicants. Moffat stated that he was very pleased with the number of qualified candidates who applied for the Managing Director position. Other suggestions were made about the manner in which to consider application packages. Motion by Kinney to conduct an interview for each candidate and to vote on the motion by roll call vote using the candidate's first name and last initial. Motion was seconded by Moffat.

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
MOTION CARRIED.

The first application package considered was D.D. Because the resume received did not conform with the procedures as set by the Board, the candidate was disqualified by general consent.

Application packages were then voted upon as follows:

Orrin D.

Roll call vote:

Moffat: Aye
Askew: Aye
Burleson: Aye
Kinney: Aye
Boze: Aye
MOTION CARRIED.

John S.

Burleson: Nay
Moffat: Nay
Askew: Nay
Kinney: Nay
Boze: Nay
MOTION REJECTED.

Greg B.

Burleson: Aye
Moffat: Aye
Askew: Aye
Kinney: Aye
Boze: Aye
MOTION CARRIED.

Barry A.

Burleson: Nay
Moffat: Nay
Askew: Aye
Kinney: Nay
Boze: Aye
MOTION REJECTED.

Rod R.

Burleson: Nay
Moffat: Aye
Askew: Aye
Kinney: Aye
Boze: Aye
MOTION CARRIED.

Daniel B.

Kinney: Aye
Askew: Nay
Moffat: Aye
Burleson: Aye
Boze: Aye
MOTION CARRIED.

Managing Director Team

Burleson: Nay
Moffat: Nay
Askew: Aye
Kinney: Nay
Boze: Nay
MOTION REJECTED.

Linnea R.

Burleson: Nay
Moffat: Aye
Askew: Aye
Kinney: Nay
Boze: Aye
MOTION CARRIED.

Daniel F.

Burleson: Aye
Moffat: Aye
Askew: Aye
Kinney: Aye
Boze: Aye
MOTION CARRIED.

Michael S.

Burleson: Nay
Moffat: Nay
Askew: Aye
Kinney: Nay
Boze: Nay
MOTION REJECTED.

J.W.

Burleson: Nay

Moffat: Nay

Askew: Nay

Kinney: Nay

Boze: Nay

MOTION REJECTED.

Additional discussion was held regarding candidates selected and interview process.

The Chairman opened the meeting to public comment upon general consent of the Board. Linda Norton voiced her opinion that there are “three” individuals at the Board table who have submitted application packages and they should have been in the audience and not at the Board table.

Discussion held regarding interviews to be scheduled. By general consent the following dates were chosen to interview the six chosen candidates: November 6th beginning at 4:00 PM, four candidates will be interviewed; November 7th beginning at 4:00 PM, two candidates will be interviewed. Board Secretary Brien will contact the candidates and schedule the interviews as the candidate’s schedule allows. The November 7th Regular Meeting will be noticed to begin at 5:00, “or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible”, to accommodate the interviews to be conducted.

Motion by Moffat, seconded by Kinney to adjourn the Call of the Chair at 4:28 PM.

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.