

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS

555 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48103

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Minutes of February 27, 2018

Board Present: Road Commissioners Douglas Fuller, Barbara Fuller, William McFarlane

Staff Present: R. Townsend, M. MacDonell, J. Harmon, C. Ryan

Others Present: Paul Boyce, Nexus, Molly Luempert, DTE

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Douglas E. Fuller, Chair. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RC18-053 B. Fuller moved, McFarlane seconded to approve the agenda as presented.
Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

ACTION ITEM

The items approved on the Consent Agenda are as follows:

RC18-054 B. Fuller moved, McFarlane seconded the approval of the Consent Agenda for February 27, 2018 as presented. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

DTE/Nexus Pipeline Agreement

Roy Townsend, Managing Director, provided a review of this agreement. Mr. Townsend stated that DTE/Nexus representatives were at the last Board meeting on February 20, 2018 expressing concern of needing to use Tuttle Hill Road and Coolidge Road crossings for the Nexus Pipeline project. Mr. Townsend stated that staff and legal counsel have drafted an agreement between DTE, Nexus and WCRC to allow Nexus to use these two roads to cross.

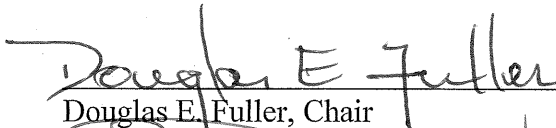
Matt MacDonell, Assistant Director of Engineering, clarified that Nexus will be required to adhere to all other seasonal weight restrictions. Mr. MacDonell stated that Coolidge Road is a temporarily repaired crossing with more repairs scheduled for this spring at DTE's expense. Mr. MacDonell also stated that the Tuttle Hill Road crossing repairs have been addressed once so staff feels these roads can hold up to Nexus Equipment crossing these roads with DTE responsible for any road repairs needed. Jim Harmon, Director of Operations, stated that Nexus equipment was observed on Bunton Road which caused damage to this road. Mr. Harmon asked what the penalty is if Nexus is using other unapproved roads. Matt MacDonell replied that Bunton Road had a sink hole, this has been back filled and temporarily repaired and reopened. Mr. MacDonell stated that our weighmasters will be monitoring the roads and any use of unapproved roads by Nexus will be ticketed.

Mr. MacDonell stated that Nexus needs to do a better job of dewatering work areas and working with the Nexus Pipeline contractor has been challenging. Commissioner Barb Fuller asked if the \$50,000 payment presented by DTE is adequate. Mr. Townsend responded that the \$50,000 would go towards road improvements on roads that are being impacted by the Nexus project sites.

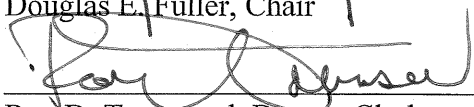
RC18-055 B. Fuller moved, McFarlane seconded the Board hereby grants the request of waiver to the seasonal weight restriction laws to DTE/Nexus Pipeline to allow the Nexus Pipeline Contractor's Equipment to cross the following two road crossings; Tuttle Hill Road and Coolidge Road, with the understanding that DTE has agreed to pay for and maintain any and all road damage occurring from equipment using these road crossings. In addition, DTE has agreed to pay \$50,000 to the Road Commission in accordance with the Pipeline Project Road Use Agreement. Therefore, the Board of Road Commissioners hereby authorizes the Managing Director to sign the Agreement and grants the waiver request. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

RC18-056 McFarlane moved, B. Fuller seconded to adjourn the February 27, 2018 meeting at 10:18 a.m. Voice Vote: YEAS: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 Motion Carried.



Douglas E. Fuller, Chair



Roy D. Townsend, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved: _____ *CEP*