

Hearing no further nominations, Crocker closed nominations for Chairman.

Clerk Crocker called for all those in favor of County Treasurer Gallagher as Chairman, and the votes were as follows:

**O'Rourke – YES; Rexroat – YES; Wessell – YES; Ross – YES; Lautner – YES;
Christensen – YES; Gallagher – YES; Kramer – YES.
Yes – 8 NO – 0 ABSENT – 1 (Allgaier)**

Crocker declared Gallagher Chairman of the Board of Public Works and turned the meeting over for the election of the remaining positions.

Vice-Chairman:

Chairman Gallagher opened nominations for Vice-Chairman.

Commissioner Wessell nominated Drain Commissioner Steve Christensen. Seconded by Lautner.

There were no further nominations.

Votes were as follows:

**Wessell – YES; Ross – YES; Lautner – YES; Christensen – YES; Gallagher – YES;
Kramer – YES; O'Rourke – YES; Rexroat – YES.
Yes – 8 NO – 0 ABSENT – 1 (Allgaier)**

Gallagher declared Christensen Vice-Chairman of the Board of Public Works.

Secretary:

Gallagher opened nominations for Secretary.

Wessell nominated County Clerk Michelle L. Crocker, or her designee, for Secretary. Seconded by Lautner.

There being no further nominations Chairman Gallagher closed nominations for Secretary.

Votes were as follows:

**Wessell – YES; Ross – YES; Lautner – YES; Christensen – YES; Gallagher – YES;
Kramer – YES; O'Rourke – YES; Rexroat – YES.
Yes – 8 NO – 0 ABSENT – 1 (Allgaier)**

Gallagher stated the nomination for County Clerk Michelle L. Crocker, or her designee, as Secretary passes.

Approval of Minutes – November 1, 2022:

MOTION BY WESSELL TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 1, 2022, MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN. SECONDED BY LAUTNER.

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 8 (Wessell, Ross, Lautner, Christensen, Gallagher, Kramer, O'Rourke, Rexroat)
NO – 0 ABSENT – 1 (Allgaier) MOTION CARRIED.**

BPW Structure Discussion:

Administrator Allen gave a brief overview of the former Board of Public Works structure stating that it had been made up of the County Road Commission members. In December [2022] the Board of Commissioners approved a resolution to restructure the Board of Public Works to now consist of the full County Board of Commissioners, the Drain Commissioner, and the County Treasurer.

Commissioner Wessell said that both he and Chairman Gallagher had attended a NLTUA (Northport/Leelanau Township Utilities Authority) meeting in Leelanau Township and that there could be some potential issues and that is our charge.

Set Next Meeting Date/Future Subjects:

Chairman Gallagher stated that one of the future subjects is NLTUA, which will be being renamed. They have been operating in a deficit and have been working to address outstanding concerns. Currently they plan to bring forward a presentation at our next meeting.

Gallagher added and said the next tentative meeting date will be in April, following the Board of Commissioners Executive meeting. The agenda items will be to discuss Northport sewer and other subjects as they come up.

Additional comments from members continued.

Public Comment:

None.

Board Member Comments:

None.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Rexroat. Unanimous support.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Gallagher at 1:17 p.m.

John A. Gallagher, III, Chairman
Leelanau County Board of Public Works

Alison Middleton, Administrative Deputy Clerk
for Michelle L. Crocker, Leelanau County Clerk