

A regular meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission was held at the office of the Road Commission, Lincoln, MI, Thursday, November 9, 2017, at 4:00 p.m. and was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Present: Alfred Scully, Chair; Harry Harvey, Vice-Chair; Theodore Somers, Member; Jesse Campbell, Managing Director; Marlena Mac Neill, Administrative Assistant; Renee LaVergne, Account Clerk; Mike Escareno, Superintendent

Also present: Jason Ogden, The Alpena News; Craig Johnston, County Commissioner; Drew Milwrick, employee; Richard Stevens, resident; Karen Karbowski, resident

Stevens asked if there was going to be follow up maintenance on Mill Creek where the culvert was replaced because the road surface is soft and rutted.

Johnston reported the budget process has started, they are in contract negotiations, and they have had active shooter training.

Karbowski requested reconsideration of a request to change the name of a section of Frutchey Ranch Road in Caledonia Township that had been denied at the October 25, 2017, meeting. No action was taken to reverse the earlier decision.

Superintendent reported the Mill Creek Road culvert project was complete, with the road likely needing some additional grooming; crews had placed shoulder gravel on M-65, and had been placing pit run material on County roads in several areas.

Karbowski left at 4:43 p.m.

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2017, meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to approve payment of open accounts in the amount of \$83,368.59. Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to approve the State Trunkline Contract Amendment 2017-0145/A1 and authorize Chair Scully and Vice-Chair Harvey to sign the contract. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to approve the following contract and authorize Chair Scully and Vice-Chair Harvey to sign the document:

Contract No. 17-5433 Job Number 201218A Project HRRR 1701(006) Hot mix asphalt base crushing, shaping, and resurfacing work along Bamfield Road from DeMott Road easterly to Garrett Road; including intersection improvement, clearing, permanent signing, and pavement marking work; and all together with necessary related work.

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to approve the preliminary design work for an awning on the garage and authorize moving forward with actual design and building. Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

Agreed plans for a truck wash facility be put on hold indefinitely.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, that the Budget hearing for the 2018 Budget be set for December 20, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Managing Director reported on the Rural Task Force meeting he would be attending on November 10, 2017, saying there was a gain in Alcona County's allocations in both the Surface Transportation and Federal categories; he also reported the Cedar Lake Road project was finished.

Ogden reported he has taken a new job as Editor of the Oscoda News.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at the call of the Chair at 5:18 p.m. until the next regular meeting on November 21, 2017, at 4:00 p.m.