

A regular meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission was held at the office of the Road Commission, Lincoln, MI, Wednesday, October 25, 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; C. Lee Major, Greenbush Township Supervisor; Brian Schemanski, Tom Gajewski, Coville Road residents; Drew Milwrick, employee

Adjustments: Remove Trunkline contract, add extend annual material bid price proposals

Schemanski and Gajewski asked for improvements on Coville Road south of Wissmiller Road.

Superintendent reported crews were wrapping up miscellaneous road repairs identified as problem areas last spring and then will be getting prepared for winter operations.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2017, meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to approve payment of open accounts in the amount of \$56,941.05. Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

The following correspondence and items of information were reviewed:

MDOT Audit report
Training: PR; Budget/Finance; Right of way

The following truck bids were reviewed:

	Tandem axle	Single axle	Single axle option
Grand Traverse Diesel	\$113,730.00	\$113,230.00	\$80,000.00 (in stock)

Managing Director said he and the Account Clerk are working on the budget and will look at how the purchase of new trucks will fit in.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to accept the bid from Grand Traverse Diesel and authorize Managing Director to purchase trucks as is in the best interest of the Road Commission. Motion carried.

Tim Mac Neill joined the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

Discussed a request for a road name change and the County's address ordinance. It was agreed that the Road Commission should retain the responsibility for road names as stated in the ordinance.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to deny the request for a road name change for Frutchey Ranch Road from Hubbard Lake Trail west to the Little Wolf Creek in Caledonia Township. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey to change the November 8, 2017, meeting to November 9, 2017, and the November 22, 2017, meeting to November 21, 2017, with both meetings to start at the normal 4:00 p.m. time. Motion carried.

Discussed renewing an agreement with Greenbush Township to provide routine road maintenance and snow removal under a special assessment district on the private road known as Prince Drive.

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey, to continue winter maintenance operations through April 15, 2018, on Prince Drive. Motion carried.

Schemanski and Gajewski left at 4:40 p.m.

Discussed proposals to honor last year's bids for annual material needs and agreed all items should be rebid.

Managing Director reported the inspection had been done on the Sucker Creek Road bridge, which had been overlooked in the regular bridge inspection schedule; the F-41 bridge has been rated as fatigued and funding for repairs may likely have to be locally-funded; future meetings will include discussion about surplus equipment, setting a budget hearing date, and cell phone policy; Huron Engineering advised again there's not much that could be done to mitigate drainage issues in Timberlakes Subdivision; health insurance rates anticipated to go up 2+ percent actually went up 3.4 percent; Mill Creek Road culvert replacement hampered by the location of a water line serving the City of Harrisville, but the DEQ permit has been amended and work will proceed with alterations to the original plan.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at the call of the Chair at 4:57 p.m. until the next regular meeting on November 9, 2017, at 4:00 p.m.