

A regular meeting of the Alcona County Road Commission was held at the office of the Road Commission, Lincoln, MI, Tuesday, March 27, 2018, 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; Renee LaVergne, Account Clerk; Michael Escareno, Superintendent

Adjustments: None

Also present: Drew Milwrick, employee; Yogi Yruegas, Mikado Township Supervisor; Julie Goldberg; The Alpena News.

Yruegas asked about F-41 for his budgeting purposes. Campbell plans to have all projects and information on cost at the next board meeting.

Superintendent reported crews have been working on cutting trees for future projects. They have also been doing maintenance/patching/blading work as well as removing and painting snow wings.

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Scully, to accept the proposal at the closed meeting session.

Ayes: Scully, Somers Nays: Harvey

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2018, meeting as presented.

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Scully, to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2018, closed session as presented.

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Scully, to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2018, closed session as presented.

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to approve bills that were due and payable by March 19, 2018, in the amount of \$304,060.81.

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to approve payment of open accounts in the amount of \$46,279.71.

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion carried.

Correspondence & Items of Information: East Central Council Meeting

Campbell received a resignation letter from Linton Fowler on March 15, 2018, and a request for 100% sick leave payout.

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to follow past practice of John Allen's payout regarding the employee sick leave request.

Ayes: Somers, Harvey Nays: Scully

Motion carried.

There was discussion on the Managing Director salary adjustment. Commissioner Somers suggested setting up a schedule of pay increases for the Managing Director. This was tabled until the Commissioners gather more information.

Managing Director reported the two new single axles will be delivered to the dealer on April 9 and 10; the tandem will be delivered on May 14 and with hope the trucks will be available for the 2018/19 winter

season; the shop has been busy; there will be preconstruction meetings on March 29 for both safety grant projects; he is working on township projects; soil erosion forms need to be completed for the Cedar Lake Road project; he plans to have the information on township projects for the next meeting and there may be changes this year; bids for the canopy will be considered at the April 11 meeting and the billing time was extended to October 1, construction time was changed from 45 days to 60 days; he will also have the federal/state aid and engineering match for the next meeting.

Public Comment:

Commissioner Harvey has had phone calls and people coming to his house regarding Prince Drive. He said feels the Road Commission should take care of it because they have a special assessment. Drew Milwrick commented that the Road Commission is taking away business from private companies for the work they could be doing on Prince Drive. They can hire anyone to do the work and pay for it with their special assessment money. He also noted the Township could take over the special assessment and hire someone to maintain the road; they are responsible for it.

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Somers, that the meeting go into closed session at 5:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a land acquisition. Motion carried.

The meeting resumed in open session at 5:18 p.m. with Scully, Harvey, Somers, Campbell, LaVergne in attendance.

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey to decline the purchase offer as presented on a parcel of land adjacent to the Road Commission property as discussed. Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

There was discussion on what the fire fund and millage monies would be used for.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at the call of the Chair at 5:22 p.m. until the next regular meeting on April 11, 2018.