

Alcona County Road Commission August 28, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Alcona County was called to order by Chairman Alfred Scully at 2:00pm on Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 301 North Lake Street, Lincoln, Michigan. Present: Chairman Alfred Scully, Vice-chairman Harry Harvey, Member Theodore Somers, Managing Director Jesse Campbell, Superintendent Michael Escareno, and Account Clerk Renee LaVergne. Guests Present: Jesus Yruegas Mikado Township Supervisor, Rita Sands Mikado Township Clerk and Craig Johnston Alcona County Commissioner.

Public Comment:

None

Adjustments:

General Equipment Purchase.

Superintendent Report:

Escareno reported they are done with the fog seal projects. They are on to the gravel projects and are currently working on Bissonnette. Ross, Wissmiller and Poorfarm Roads will be worked on soon. They have been doing some durapatching and tree cutting and there is still quite a bit of maintenance to do.

Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried

Financial Reports and Open Accounts:

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to approve payment of open accounts on August 28, 2019 in the amount of \$134,773.58. Roll call vote: Scully – aye, Harvey – aye, Somers – aye. Motion carried

Correspondence and Items of Information

Meeting Change:

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers to change the September 25, 2019 meeting to September 18, 2019 at 4 pm.

Motion carried

Business

NMARC Ballot:

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to authorize submittal of the ballot for NMARC as discussed.

Motion carried

Township Agreements:

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to accept agreement CL1906 in the amount of \$5,823.00 with Caledonia Township with the terms agreed upon. Roll call vote: Harvey-aye, Scully-aye, Somers-aye. Motion carried

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to accept agreement HY1904 in the amount of \$13,740.00 with Haynes Township with the terms agreed upon. Roll call vote: Harvey-aye, Scully-aye, Somers-aye. Motion carried

Equipment Purchase:

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to allow the Managing Director the discretion to buy a tar distributor thru MiDeal for \$111,671.20 as discussed. Roll call vote: Scully- aye, Harvey-aye, Somers-aye. Motion carried

Craig Johnson joined the meeting at 2:22 pm.

Rita Sands joined meeting at 2:32 pm.

General equipment purchase:

Discussion to purchase Tiger brush cutter attachment and Tiger mower attachment for the New Holland Tractor. Discussion was tabled until next meeting September 18th, 2019.

Managing Director Report:

Campbell reported a new administrative assistant has accepted the position. Lori Grush will start September 9th. He will meet with her before that and get all the paperwork filled out. MCRCSIP has approved 8 million dollars in refunds for this year's members. M & M pavement marking will start marking various roads within the county for the next couple of weeks. Trask Lake Road culvert at the East Branch of Pine River is still on scheduled for replacement the last two weeks of September. Trask Lake Road will be closed for a couple of weeks. The Dalton's will be coming back to finish up a few townships with chemical brush treatment.

Scully discussed giving staff and crew opening day of deer season off. It will be discussed further at next meeting.

Wash barn – Campbell met with Mike Russo again. He is readjusting the elevations. There will be a possible change on roof line. Campbell feels the plans are coming along good.

Public Comment:

Jesus said the road commission needs to educate the public more on the chemical spraying. Campbell said it was in the paper and The Dalton's have all the information on the spray and have asked that the road commission directs people to call them with questions. He also suggested next spring possibly having a meeting with Township supervisors, county officials and The Dalton's to help educate everyone on the necessity on brush spraying.

Jesus and Rita thanked the board and the Road Commission for all the years of service.

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair at 2:58 pm until the next regular meeting on September 18, 2019 at 4 pm.

Alfred Scully, Chairman

Renee LaVergne, Account Clerk