

Alcona County Road Commission November 13, 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 4:00pm on Wednesday, November 13, at 301 North Lake Street, Lincoln, Michigan. Present: Chairman Alfred Scully, Vice-chairman Harry Harvey, Member Theodore Somers, Managing Director Jesse Campbell, Account Clerk Renee LaVergne, Superintendent Michael Escareno, and Administrative Assistant Lori Grush. Guests Present: none.

ADJUSTMENTS

Manager Campbell added to Business, discussion about changing the time of November 27 meeting, due to the Thanksgiving holiday

SUPERINTENDENT'S OPERATIONS REPORT

Superintendent Escareno reported that the crew had attempted to do some blading before the snow hit. They were able to finish the shoulder gravel on Hubbard Lake Road and North Spruce Road. He had a lot of guys out on clean up after the windstorms. Brush tractor has been out in Mikado Township. They've been busy with winter prep and the mechanics are dealing with break downs here and there. Started making some screen sand. Crews will continue with that next week.

MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2019, meeting as presented. Motion carries.

FINANCIAL REPORTS & OPEN ACCOUNTS

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to approve payment of open accounts on November 13, 2019 in the amount of \$587,764.20.

Roll call vote: Scully – aye, Harvey – aye, Somers – aye, Motion carries

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to approve payment of open accounts on October 23, 2019 in the amount of \$79,912.93.

Roll call vote: Scully– aye, Harvey– aye, Somers– aye, Motion carries

CORRESPONDENCE

Manager Campbell shared with Board that a recognition letter from CRASIF was received thanking us for our renewal and that they were able to return just under 50% of contributions back to members.

Manager Campbell shared with the Board the draft letter from MDOT regarding their request to use Barlow Road and F-41 as a temporary traffic detour route for the duration of the 2021 US-23 Reconstruction Project from Washington Street to Lakeshore Drive. Commissioner Scully suggested imposing weight restriction signs on other surrounding roads.

BUSINESS

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to Reschedule the December 25 Board of Commissioners meeting to December 19th at 1:00pm and to then host the 2020 Public Budget Hearing immediately following the Board meeting. Motion carries

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers, to reset the meeting time for the November 27, meeting from 4:00pm to 1:00pm. Motion carries

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey, to extend the 2019 bids submitted by Daltons Chemical Vegetation Control but NOT Bit-Mat Quality Asphalt for the 2020 year

Roll call vote: Scully – aye, Harvey – aye, Somers – aye Motion carries

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Somers, to payout 100% of sick leave for employee Mike Goddard upon his retirement in December 2019.

Roll call vote: Scully– aye, Harvey– aye, Somers– aye, Motion carries

Kinberlin Rd/ Huron Pines Culvert Project 2020

Moved by Commissioner Scully, to table the decision on whether we participate in the Kimberlin Road culvert with Huron Pines until Huron Pines can have a representative attend a Board meeting to address some of their concerns.

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Manager Campbell reported that the Bamfield Road Project is set for 2020. It will be a wedge and overlay from Curtisville Road to Brodie Road and then from Brodie to bottom of Bamfield Hill it will be a micromill and a 1 ½ inch overlay.

Road Task Force Meeting we were one of the only that use a capped program. The RTF have switched to pro-rata for one year. We are waiting to hear back for the Bridge Grant. Have completed interviews for the opening position. He's been working on Township projects for next year.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Scully had a couple items to discuss

1.) A property owner has contacted him twice about Bean Hill Road and the condition of her road. Discussion took place including the recommendation for property owner to work with Millen Township to address the scope of his concerns as the Road Commission is limited to general maintenance of the road.

2.) Legal counsel regarding hourly pay for salaried employees. Legal stated that we were fine doing it the way we are doing it. Discussion took place on alternatives and how it is billed. It was agreed to leave the pay as is.

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair at 5:26 pm until the next regular meeting on November 27, 2019 at 4:00pm

Alfred Scully, Chairman

Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant