

## **Alcona County Road Commission May 26, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes**

A regular meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Alcona County was called to order by Chairman Ted Somers at 4:00pm on Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 301 N Lake Street Lincoln, Michigan. Present: Chairman Ted Somers, Vice-Chairman Harry Harvey, Member Al Scully, Managing Director Jesse Campbell, Superintendent Mike Escareno, Clerk Renee LaVergne and Board Clerk Lori Grush. Guests included Craig Johnston

### **AGENDA ADOPTION**

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey to accept the May 26, 2021 meeting agenda with amendments. Motion carries

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Guest Craig Johnston shared that there was no comments from the Alcona County Board of Commissioners. He is on the EDC committee and shared that beginning in August, they have hired a firm that will be doing a county wide assessment of where all the fiber is in the county. The existing fiber will then be marked and mapped. Lastly, he suggested going back to using Zoom for the ability to record our meetings for others to be able to listen to the meeting at a later date.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Escareno stated that the DeCoste Road culvert replacement had been completed. It is now a 42 inch squash by 40 feet. The crew then jumped into sealcoating directly after that. We had our new chipsreader calibrated by Etnyre, So far we've done seal coat in Hawes, Haynes, Gustin and Mikado Townships. Russ from MPM came here and gave a demonstration on seal coat best practices. We've been able to adjust and get a better stone set and reduce our stone use.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2021 meeting with amendments Motion Carries

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS & OPEN ACCOUNTS**

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to approve payment of open accounts from May 26, 2021 in the amount of \$167,120.87

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Thank you letter from AIS was read by Chair Somers

### **BUSINESS**

Township Agreements

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to accept agreement GU2101 for single seal coat with fog seal for 1.00 mile on McConnell Road with GUSTIN Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey to accept agreement GU2102 for single seal coat with fog seal for 0.92 mile on Mill Street with GUSTIN Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey to accept agreement GU2103 for single seal coat for 1.00 mile of Cruzen Road with GUSTIN Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to accept agreement GU2104 for single seal coat for 1.00 mile of McConnell Road with GUSTIN Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Somers to accept agreement GU2105 for single seal coat for 1.00 mile of Proconier Road with GUSTIN Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Scully to accept agreement GU2106 for single seal coat for 1.52 mile of Fowler Road with GUSTIN Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers to accept agreement MT2101 for single seal coat with fog seal for 8.14 mile of Aspen Alley – AuSable Road with MITCHELL Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Somers to accept agreement CU2101 for single seal coat with fog seal for 1.15 mile on Bamfield Road with CURTIS Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Scully to accept agreement CU2102 for single seal coat for 4.37 mile on Curtisville Road with CURTIS Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to accept agreement CU2103 for single seal coat with fog seal for 1.12 mile of Vaughn Lake Road with CURTIS Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Scully to accept agreement CU2104 for single seal coat with fog seal for 1.00 mile of Healy Road with CURTIS Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Somers to accept agreement CU2105 for single seal coat with fog seal for 3.04 mile of AuSable Road with CURTIS Township with the terms agreed upon.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

#### Burton Road - Abandonment

Manager Campbell explained that the road was platted as part of the subdivision but the properties around it were never put into it. Legal counsel stated that we could abandon it as we usually would. It's the first step in dissolving the road and splitting the property. Once we abandon the road and it is private, the property owners can then go to court to pursue that. Even once it's private and we have abandoned it, they will still need to allow Burton Subdivision residents access to the road. Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey to abandon .04 miles of Burton Road in Section 3, T25N, R9E, Greenbush Township, Alcona County, Michigan.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

#### Hubbard Lake Road – Removal of Seasonal Designation

Manager Campbell shared that the Mikado Township board did sign the road improvement agreement to put money into the road. He wanted the board to be aware that we did find from the 1920's an easement that was granted to Mikado Township. Our easement will be overlaid with that easement once we file it. Campbell shared that Consumers will be moving the utility pole tomorrow. Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey to remove the seasonal road designation from Hubbard Lake Road from .31 miles south of F-30 then south .19 miles in Section 6 T25N, R8E, and Section 1 T25N, R7E, Section 7 T25N, R8E, and Section 12, T25N, R7E, Mikado Township, Alcona County, Michigan

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

#### Quote to purchase equipment package

Manager Campbell provided the specifications. Discussion ensued on the options and timing of the new truck. Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to accept the quote from Truck and Trailer and authorize the managing director to make the purchase of the equipment package as described for \$122,954.00.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

#### MTF Shortfall, FY 2020 and FY 2021

Manager Campbell provided the losses in our Michigan Transportation Funding compiled by CRA. For Alcona County Road Commission the shortage was \$240,831.75 in 2020 and for 2021 is estimated to be \$191,092.99. This does not include our other losses due to the pandemic. Discussion ensued about the A.R.P.A funds that Alcona County will be receiving and the potential distribution and allowed use of those funds. Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey to authorize the Managing Director to move forward with the A.R.P.A funds.

Roll call vote: Scully – yes, Harvey – yes, Somers - yes Motion Carries

**MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Manager Campbell shared that he did hear that the grader warranty did cover the spindle. However, we had already paid the bill so he's waiting to hear back on what they are going to do. The new truck is in and completed and we'll be picking it up tomorrow. Auditor is set to attend our next meeting. The special assessment issues have solved. There will be an article in the paper this week - dam is NOT leaking

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Scully asked another question about the equipment package for clarification. Manager Campbell provided explanation.

**ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Vice-Chair at 5:04pm until the next regular meeting which will be held on June 9, 2021 at 6:00pm

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Theodore Somers, Chairman

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Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant