

Alcona County Road Commission January 26, 2022, 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 3:00pm on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 301 N. Lake Street Lincoln, Michigan. Present: Chairman Ted Somers, Vice Chairman Harry Harvey, Member Al Scully, Managing Director Jesse Campbell, and Clerk Renee LaVergne. Administrative Assistant Lori Grush was present on the phone and Duane Dillard was present as a guest.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey to accept the January 26, 2022 meeting agenda as presented.
Motion carries

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Dillard began by addressing the board about his request for a sign to be placed on US23 before Springport Road to state that the campground is one mile ahead. He stated GPS takes campers down Springport Road to South Lake Huron Shore Drive and there is no where for them to turn around on that narrow residential road once they reach the dead end. Also requested a sign placed on Springport Road before South Lake Shore that states "No State Park Access". Similar to the one currently on Third Street, he said. Manager Campbell recalls this discussion from last year and had been told that MDOT was to take care of it. The county road commission is not authorized to erect a sign on a state highway. Campbell will follow up with MDOT for the sign on US23 and the township regarding the sign on Springport Road. Mr. Dillard also inquired about the process to have the culvert filled at his son's home on US23. It is so steep there is no way for it to be mowed. He also would like to see the Speed Limit reduced when heading north on US23 as you come out of the bluffs until you are north of Northeastern Window & Door and to have a passing lane on US23. Campbell again stated that we have no jurisdiction on state highway but he will share the information with our MDOT representative.

Mr. Dillard also inquired about the old Lake Street Drive off of Springport Road. He'd like to formally request to have it truly abandoned and divided back to the 2 neighboring property owners. Manager Campbell stated that if it is a platted subdivision, a real estate attorney would be required to take it to circuit court. Manager Campbell encouraged Mr. Dillard to reach out to an attorney but he would look into it further as well. Dillard also inquired about us cleaning out the ditch along there by his property, there is standing water.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2022 meeting with vote correction.
Motion carries

FINANCIAL REPORTS & OPEN ACCOUNTS

Moved by Commissioner Somers, Harvey to approve payment of open accounts from January 26, 2022, in the amount of \$19,519.65

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

CORRESPONDENCE

none

BUSINESS

CRA Board Of Directors Ballot

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey to leave the decision on the CRA ballot up to the managing director.
Motion carries

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Manager Campbell shared that he would have the construction engineering proposals for the Pine River Bridge/F30 Project and the Hubbard Street, Lake Street and Woodland Street Project for the next meeting. He stated that we are advertising for material bids and they will be presented at the February

23rd meeting. Commissioner Harvey asked what is being surveyed on M72. Campbell stated that it is for a natural gas line.

Campbell shared that he has purchased 2 single axle trucks and ordered a new chipper. We will be getting rid of 2 tar distributors, a tandem Sterling, single axle Louisville, an L10 Cummings and the patrol car. Campbell stated that he attended the RTF meeting and learned that we would be getting \$130,000 more per year for next 4 years. The COVID money that was we originally allocated to the Village, they are going to send us a check for that. Thursday was the East Central Council meeting, it was really good on the legislative review regarding autonomous and electric cars not participating in road maintenance funding. He reminded the board of the upcoming CRA conference in March.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chairman at 3:43pm until the next regular meeting which will be held on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 3:00pm

Theodore Somers, Chairman

Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant