

Alcona County Road Commission October 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 4:00pm on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 301 N Lake Street Lincoln, Michigan. Chairman Somers opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Chairman Ted Somers, Vice-Chair Harry Harvey, Member Al Scully, Managing Director Jesse Campbell, Superintendent Mike Escareno, and Board Clerk Lori Grush. Guest present: Bill Thompson, County Commissioner liaison.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to accept the October 26, 2022, meeting agenda with addition of Contractor Use Of Alstrom Pit in business. Motion Carries

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Thompson shared with the board that the county board is still working on budget, he thanked the department heads for keeping their departments on budget this year. Thompson described some of the expenditures that were covered by ARPA funds including upgrades to computers, broadband in the county and a new roof on county building

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Superintendent Escareno shared that he had taken a vacation so some of this work was while he was gone. He began by updating Commissioner Scully on the question he had asked at the last meeting about Millen Street. We had been in there while he was off, we did some ditching and then he had them go in and pull the sod back. Commissioner Harvey let Escareno know that the property owner on Fowler Road doesn't want us parking there anymore. Our tractor has left some ruts where we have been parking it. Escareno went on to share that the crews have done some ditching, guard rail work including Dejarlais Road and Hunter's Lake had two sets of guard rails. They've bladed some gravel and hauled in sand. Our sand shed is now full. Also did some tree work, patching, shoulder gravel, put some limestone in on Fruchey Ranch, and beavers are still going strong. Commissioner Scully asked about the letter we sent to N. Lake Drive property owner in Glennie. Manager Campbell explained the situation regarding the driveway.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2022, meeting with addition of the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion Carries

FINANCIAL REPORTS & OPEN ACCOUNTS

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to approve payment of open accounts from October 26, 2022, in the amount of \$61,344.33

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

CORRESPONDENCE

None

BUSINESS

Rural Task Force Project Review/Adjustments

Manager Campbell presented the Rural Task Force Project original list and a revision, which has changed again since this was printed. We had loaned STP monies to another county because we had to use our COVID money as match. They are not allowing the re-paid monies to be carried forward. We have \$274,000 carry over that if not used in 2023, we will lose it. He

explained what he has been told by NEMCOG regarding the project budgets. Campbell presented two options: 1- moving up Spruce Road to 2023 which is rating worse than Hubbard Lake Road or 2- find another county to sell the RTF funds to. Discussion ensued. Campbell will know more after the RTF meeting on Friday.

Weight Restriction Enforcement

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to accept the Michigan State Police hourly rate for weighmaster for the 2023 weight restrictions with a maximum limit of \$8,000.00.

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

Contractor Use Of Alstrom Pit

Manager Campbell shared that he has been contacted by contractors bidding on the US 23 project asking if they could put their concrete waste material in our Alstrom Pit. We would most likely not have any use for the debris, but we would charge them per yard.

Meeting Time Change Reminder

Chair Somers reminded everyone that the meetings will be at 3:00pm beginning November 9th thru the end of the year.

MANAGING DIRECTORS REPORT

Manager Campbell shared that the Pine River Bridge has been completed. He has a November 3rd tentative meeting there for the punch list for any corrections. Huron Engineering was selected for Huron Pines for the four watershed bridges: Lavergne Road, Black River Road, Beaton, and Trask Lake. We are still waiting on the parking lot. F-30 was completed yesterday. The Woodhaven/Woodland Drive, they did work Saturday and Sunday. There are a lot of complaints. The contractors hope to start paving on Monday. Just a reminder on the Cedar Lake Road project next year, no letting date yet. Commissioner Harvey inquired about the cable under the road in front of the clinic. As of this morning, they went out this morning, there are no marks in it. One utility company stated that they had missed three lines, so they are coming back out to remeasure. We have the permit, just holding it until we hear back.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair at 4:44pm until the next regular meeting which will be held on November 9, at 3:00pm

Theodore Somers, Chairman

Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant