

## **Alcona County Road Commission March 15, 2023, 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, March 15, 2023 at 301 N. Lake Street Lincoln, Michigan with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Chairman Ted Somers, Vice Chairman Harry Harvey, Member Al Scully, Managing Director Jesse Campbell, Superintendent Mike Escareno, Clerk Renee LaVergne and Administrative Assistant Lori Grush. No guests were present.

### **AGENDA ADOPTION**

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to accept the March 15, 2023, meeting agenda as presented. Motion Carries

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT**

Superintendent Escareno shared with the board that the crew has been back out on muddy roads and addressing them as they can. In addition, they have done some pothole patching, the brush tractors have been out, some guard rail repair out on state highways and tree trimming in different areas.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2023 meeting as presented. Motion Carries

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

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey to approve payment of open accounts from March 8, 2023, in the amount of \$48,952.11

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

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Lakeshore Drive over Black River Bridge – Public Hearing Handout & Comment Card was provided to the board. Manager Campbell explained the purpose of the public meeting. He will be unable to attend the public hearing on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm. Commissioner Somers and Commissioner Harvey will both plan on attending.

A Land Lease Proposal packet from ESA was presented to the board for the property owned in Caledonia Township off of Hansen and Swede for solar panels. Discussion ensued. Jesse asked that the board email him questions they have and he will forward them on and will see about a face to face presentation from the company.

### **BUSINESS**

#### **½ ton and ¾ ton Pickup Truck Quote Tally**

Manager Campbell explained since we had only received one spoiled bid, he sought quotes from the area dealerships. He provided the list to the board and explained the variations in features and pricing. Discussion ensued about quote comparisons, keeping what we have, leasing, re-sale values, and time frames.

Moved by Somers, Harvey to purchase from Alcona Motors the 1/2 ton pickup for \$52,384 that is in stock and order the two 3/4 tons from Alcona Motors for \$54,164.00 and to sell the three other ones when these become available.

Roll call vote: Scully – no, Harvey – yes, Somers – yes

Motion Carries

### Bridge Structure Resolution

Manager Campbell explained that a resolution is needed for applying for grants for repair, replacement for the Cruzen Road Bridge over the Pine River, Hubbard Lake Road over Sucker Creek, Hubert Road over the Thunder Bay River , and 4001 over the AuSable River. The grant applications will then be submitted to MDOT.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to adopt Resolution 2023-02 for bridge funding support which reads as follows:

#### ***RESOLUTION 2023-002***

#### ***Bridge Funding Support***

***WHEREAS, The Alcona County Board of Road Commissioners fully supports the efforts to secure State and Federal Local Bridge Program Funds for replacement or preventative maintenance of the bridges in Alcona County***

***WHEREAS, the Alcona County Road Commission will participate in funding the local share of project costs; and***

***THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Alcona County Board of Road Commissioners approve the bridge replacement or preventative maintenance of any bridge structure in Alcona County, Michigan.***

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

Motion Carries

### Bridge Inspection Services Quote

Manager Campbell explained the Great Lakes Engineering proposal cost analysis bridge inspections and QandA requirements. This is an estimated cost. They have been our inspectors for 12 years. Bridge inspections with MDOT are required every two years. No other quotes were sought . Huron Engineering said they could submit a quote but they sub-contract it out.

Moved by Scully, Harvey to allow the managing director to do as he sees fit regarding the bridge inspection services.

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

Motion Carries

### MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Manager Campbell shared with the board that he has Russo Engineering coming in the next couple days for more measurements of the building for the building expansion. The Cedar Lake Road project is still set for early Spring construction Bolen was the lowest bidder and it has been awarded. The broom that was purchased arrived yesterday and we did find a roller in Georgia. We will look at it when it arrives in Saginaw and it comes with a 1 year warranty. We can still reject it after inspection. We did get a quote on the door that was damaged. That will be submitted to insurance. Van Buren County Road commission had a worker killed while he was flagging traffic.

Commissioner Scully asked when our last first aid training was. Superintendent Escareno stated we did Stop The Bleed and defibrillator training last year. He will look into a CPR course for this year. Commissioner Scully also inquired about the new chipper.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None

**ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chairman at 3:48pm until the next regular meeting which will be held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 4:00pm

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Theodore Somers, Chairman

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Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant