

Alcona County Road Commission March 13, 2024, 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, March 13, 2024, 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. Guest(s) present included Craig Johnston, Alcona County Board liaison.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to accept the March 13, 2024, meeting agenda as presented. Motion Carries

PUBLIC COMMENT

Craig Johnston shared with the board updates from the County. He spoke of their balanced budget, financial investment in the police department and EMS and some assessment corrections in the county that have been made.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Superintendent Escareno shared that the crew is still doing tree cutting on M72 and some tree clean up countywide . We did some gravel blading throughout county last week, ditching on F41 and M72, both brush tractors are out, a little bit of beaver clean-up and a little snow removal last weekend. Commissioner Harvey asked about brushing along Sunny Lake Ranch Road and Mr. Johnson commented they had a resident attend the county meeting that was upset. He had spoken with Manager Campbell already and the matter had been handled very well from what he understood. He wanted the board to know that.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Scully, Harvey to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2024, meeting as presented. Motion Carries

FINANCIAL REPORTS & OPEN ACCOUNTS

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Scully to approve payment of open accounts from March 13, 2024, in the amount of \$68,112.63.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

The board was provided with a copy of the letter from MDOT regarding the Notice Of Audit Results. Discussion followed regarding the estimate we submit vs the actual calculation at year-end. They also received copies of the updates from MCRC SIP for the Employment Practices Guidelines Binder and a CRA Michigan Transportation Fund Sources 2024 Update.

BUSINESS

None

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Manager Campbell stated that the office addition bid request will be in Oscoda and Alcona papers. The opening of the bids will be April 3 at 2:00pm. The engineering firm will make his recommendation at the following board meeting. Discussion ensued about the timeline and office closures.

All roads have to be rated this year; gravel included. He applied for a grant through the TMAC that will reimburse up to \$1,813.00 for the gravel roads.

He's working on township agreements. He will meet again with Huron Pines on Friday. At the last meeting, it was announced that all the planning that has been done will be in 2025 and not in 2024 which wasn't the original communication. That will alter our township projects. Commissioner Harvey asked about the Hubert Road tubes. Campbell reported all 4 of the bridges have been reapplied for.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Harvey asked about North Brodie Road and North Lake Road conditions.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chairman at 4:23pm until the next regular meeting which will be held on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at **4:00pm**

Theodore Somers, Chairman

Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant