

Alcona County Road Commission August 27, 2025, 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, August 25, 2025- at 301 North Lake Street, Lincoln, Michigan with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Chairman Ted Somers, Vice Chairman Harry Harvey, Member Andrew Wright, Managing Director Jesse Campbell, Clerk Renee LaVergne and Administrative Assistant Lori Grush. No Guests were present.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Wright to accept the August 27, 2025, meeting agenda with the maintenance/GPS topic clarification under new business and the date addition under correspondence.

Motion Carries

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2025, meeting as presented.

Motion Carries

FINANCIAL REPORTS & OPEN ACCOUNTS

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to approve payment of open accounts from August 27, 2025, in the amount of \$154,465.90.

Roll call vote: Wright - yes, Harvey – yes, Somers – yes

Motion Carries

CORRESPONDENCE

The 2025 Act 51 Certification acceptance letter and the Commissioners Seminar scheduled for September 21-22 in Bay City was provided to the board.

Guest Craig Johnston joined the meeting at 4:05

The CRASIF Annual Membership Meeting scheduled for September 22 & 23 in Bay City, the SAM Seminar scheduled for October 1-3 in Gaylord, and the Communications Workshop scheduled for October 27 in Mt. Pleasant were provided to the board. Manager Campbell explained the Monarch Butterfly – Candidate Conservation Agreement w/Assurance that he submitted was provided to the board.

BUSINESS

Samsara- Maintenance/GPS for vehicles

Manager Campbell explained that we had discontinued the NetWork Fleet services a year or so ago. Samsara offers a maintenance system that plugs into the trucks. It monitors hours, speed, miles, locations and senses if an engine light is going to come on and sends a report. This will replace the Zonar after the three-year new purchase period is over, which we currently pay each year, per truck. Right now, the contract will cover 20 trucks. More can be added later. Many counties have cameras, but they are very expensive.

Moved by Wright, Harvey to approve the maintenance agreement with GPS for the vehicles in the amount of \$14,076.00, not including the shipping and handling of \$112.93, for a three-year term.

Roll call vote: Wright - yes, Harvey – yes, Somers – yes

Motion Carries

MDOT Title VI Certification Submission

Moved by Harvey, Wright to table the MDOT Certification of Employee-related conditions until the next meeting.

Motion Carries

NMARC 2026 Board Member – Ballot

Moved by Harvey, Wright to authorize the managing director to vote for the 2026 NMARC board on behalf of the Alcona County Road Commission. Motion Carries

September 24th Regular Meeting

Moved by Wright, Harvey to cancel the September 24th regular commissioner's meeting unless it is deemed that rescheduling is necessary.

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

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Manager Campbell shared that we had an employee resign on Monday. Campbell worked with FEMA last Wednesday; everything has been submitted. We are working on incorporating FEMA rates into our Cogitate program as they requested. We were able to provide everything they had asked for. The Laverne Road bridge structure should be delivered between September 9th and 11th. Construction should begin the last week of September. We still have not received any confirmation through the bridge bundle on the Cruzen Road Bridge grant that had been submitted. They are working on engineering in case funding shows up. On October 17th, Campbell will have the RTF meeting at the Montmorency County Road Commission. There will be a little adjustment due to our road ratings done in July with MDOT and NEMCOG. Campbell shared that we will have equipment for sale in the next municipal auction through RangerBid, his pick-up, a backhoe and maybe a semi-tractor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Harvey said all the back roads he's been on look good. The chip seal and fog seal all look good. Manager Campbell commented that Bolen is still on track to pave the 8.12 miles on Mt. Maria Road this year. We'll have to wait and see on the weather.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chairman at 4:25pm until the next regular meeting which will be held on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at 4:00pm.

Theodore Somers, Chairman

Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant