

Alcona County Road Commission September 10, 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, September 10, 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 Superintendent Michael Escareno and Administrative Assistant Lori Grush. One guest was present.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to accept the September 10, 2025, meeting agenda s presented.
Motion Carries

PUBLIC COMMENT

County Commissioner Liaison Craig Johnston informed the board that he had received an email from Auditor Ken Talsma regarding the investment interest, along with an outline for corrective action. He will present it to the board at their next meeting. The road Commission will probably then receive a bill to return the interest.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Superintendent Escareno shared that the seal coat and fog seal projects have been completed. They are preparing for the Hubbard Lake Trail and Bean Hill Road gravel projects. Brush tractor has been in Mikado, and the mowers are out on state routes. Other than that, we've done a little bit of everything including some ditching and taking care of washouts.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Wright to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2025, meeting as presented.
Motion Carries

FINANCIAL REPORTS & OPEN ACCOUNTS

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to approve payment of open accounts from September 10, 2025, in the amount of \$876,667.12.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

None

BUSINESS

MDOT Title VI Non-Discrimination Plan

Moved by Harvey, Wright to approve the MDOT Title VI Non-Discrimination Plan as amended.
Motion Carries

Moved by Wright, Harvey to authorize the chairman of the board to sign the MDOT Title VI Non-Discrimination Plan for submission to MDOT.
Motion Carries

MDOT Title VI Certification Submission

Moved by Wright, Harvey to approve the submission of the 2025 MDOT Title VI Certification of Employee-related conditions as presented.
Motion Carries

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Manager Campbell shared that all of the FEMA information has been submitted and uploaded to their portal. He believes their last in-person meeting will be scheduled within the next few weeks. Nothing has been rejected yet. No outside firm was needed for the submission. He stated that the grade inspection meeting for the 2026 project, which is Aspen Alley – from the 4001 to M65, still needs to be scheduled. It should be within the next couple of weeks. We still have to do something with the grader. They are expecting delivery on the new one between December 15th and January 15th. Campbell will probably have it on the next meeting to make a decision on purchasing one of ours or a different one. We bought another 2006 International for \$19,700. We'll pick up both next week. Mt. Maria is still planned for paving this year. They are working out on M32 right now. He's had quite a few complaints from the townships due to missing pavement markings. That usually is done in October.

Commissioner Harvey asked about the money for the storm cleanup. Campbell stated that it can take up to two years. Harvey also asked about the Mt. Maria Road ditching. Superintendent Escareno shared that they have moved on to Consolidated.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chairman at 4:17pm until the next regular meeting which will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 4:00pm.

Theodore Somers, Chairman

Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant