

Alcona County Road Commission July 8, 2026, 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, July 8, 2026, 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, Superintendent Michael Escareno, Clerk Renee LaVergne and Administrative Assistant/Board Clerk Lori Grush. Two guests were present.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to accept the July 8, 2026, meeting agenda as presented. Motion Carries

PUBLIC COMMENT

County Commissioner liaison Craig Johnston had nothing to add but did ask for the status on Beaton Road. Manager Campbell stated that it would be included in his manager report. Mr. Johnston would wait. Johnston encouraged everyone to take the county recreation survey.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Superintendent Escareno stated that the brush tractors and mowers are out, we've done some ditching, changed out some culverts, and duraptaching. The crack sealing is just about wrapped up for the season. The sign truck has been out, we've been blading gravels and tree cutting still.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Wright to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2026, meeting as presented. Motion Carries

FINANCIAL REPORTS & OPEN ACCOUNTS

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to approve payment of open accounts from July 8, 2026, in the amount of \$150,408.61.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

The CRA 2027 Legislative Priorities were provided to the board.

BUSINESS

Township Agreements

Manager Campbell explained that this is a shared agreement with Hawes Township. If the Hawes board does not approve it, then this one would not be completed.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Wright to approve the following agreements with MILLEN Township with the terms agreed upon:

- ML2601 for single sealcoat with fog seal on **Trask Lake Road** for .99 miles from Stout Road west to O'Donnell Road.

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

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Wright to approve the following agreements with The VILLAGE OF LINCOLN with the terms agreed upon:

- VOL2601 for single seal coat with fog seal on **Lake Street** from Village limits south to Jordan, **F-41** from Merrick Drive north to Village limits, and **Traverse Bay** from Church Street east to Barlow Road.

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

Motion Carries

MANAGING DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Manager Campbell let the board know that as of July 6, the declaration for FEMA has been signed. It did meet the criteria. Alcona Road Commission has been uploaded to the FEMA portal and now he is downloading all of the data; estimates, to date costs, photos, work to be done, etc. . It also has to be uploaded to the Michigan State Police site and some of it uploaded to MDOT.

Campbell gave an update on Bamfield Road. Most likely it will have to have both lanes removed and dug down about 30 feet. He spoke of the higher cost of the culvert linings with Tunnel Vision but would allow repairs without the deep construction for replacement, road closures and detours, and meeting new EGLE specs. That cost would be high too.

The pilings for Beaton Road bridge were delivered. The preconstruction meeting for the structure was this morning. Had ten guys in for that. Some may be working Friday.

Campbell gave timeline for the remainder of the project. Still about three weeks out.

He touched on the State Contract that he had sent out to the board. He’s still reviewing it.

We’ll need a resolution at the next meeting. There are some areas that will require us to make a choice.

Manager Campbell reminded the board that FEMA reimbursement could take seven years on the bridge and culvert repairs. More discussion took place about Bamfield Road.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Savoie asked about the Curtis Township resident that attended the last meeting.

Manager Campbell has not been over there yet. He’s going to try and meet with him next week.

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, July 29, 2026 at 4:00pm.

Theodore Somers, Chairman

Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant