

Alcona County Road Commission July 29, 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 29, 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. One guest was present

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to accept the July 29, 2026, meeting agenda with additions under new business.
Motion Carries

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Superintendent Escareno shared with the board that crews have been busy. We've finished mowing and have been ditching throughout the county. Have been blading gravels and hauling material and we've still been steady on trees. Also, addressing some low shoulders and wash outs. Seal coating started today on Ritchie Road. Will continue into the village and then be on F41 next week. Commissioner Harvey asked about Sucker Creek Road.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Wright to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2026, meeting as presented.
Motion Carries

FINANCIAL REPORTS & OPEN ACCOUNTS

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to approve payment of open accounts from July 29, 2026, in the amount of \$356,036.43

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

Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Wright to approve payment of open accounts from July 20, 2026, in the amount of \$20,962.56

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

Motion Carries

CORRESPONDENCE

The MCRCSIP 2026 Liability Refund Letter was provided to the board

BUSINESS

State Trunkline Contract Resolution

Manager Campbell explained that MDOT is doing it a little differently this year. They are asking we make our selections and then that will be inserted into the contract. Pretty much it's all the same just more options on workman's comp.

RESOLUTION 2026-006

**STATE TRUNKLINE CONTRACT WITH THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION**

***WHEREAS**, the Alcona County Road Commission has the authority to contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation for State and/or Federal funds for passenger transportation related services; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Alcona County Road Commission hereby approves the State Trunkline Maintenance Contract options covering October 1, 2026 – September 30, 2031.*

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Jesse Campbell, the Managing Director of the Alcona County Road Commission be authorized and directed to submit options for and on behalf of the Alcona County Road Commission.*

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Jesse Campbell, the Managing Director of the Alcona County Road Commission is authorized to complete, sign and execute, on behalf of the Alcona County Road Commission, a Contract with the selected options with the Michigan Department of Transportation for trunkline maintenance for the period described in the Contract.*

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to adopt Resolution 2026-006 with the selected options and allow Jesse Campbell, the managing director to complete, sign and execute the State Trunkline Contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation.

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

Motion Carries

Township Agreements

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

- AL2601 for single sealcoat with fog seal on **Black River Road** for 4.94 miles from US23 to Lake Shore Drive
- AL2602 for single sealcoat with fog seal on **LaVergne Road** for 2,882 feet from Fontaine Road east to dead end
- AL2603 for single sealcoat with fog seal on **Alger Smith Road** for .11 mile from Black River Road to Raymond Road, **Raymond Road** for .10 mile from Alger Smith Road to dead end, **Julie Road** for .05 mile from Raymond Road to dead end, **Railroad Street** for .10 mile from Black River Road to end, **Alger Smith Road** for .19 mile from Lake Shore Drive to Cheryl Lynn Lane, **Cheryl Lynn Lane** for .17 mile to dead end.

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

Motion Carries

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

- CU2601 for single sealcoat with fog seal on **Bamfield Road** for 3.71 miles from AuSable Street west to Curtisville Road
- CU2602 for single sealcoat with fog seal on **Curtisville Road** for 1.82 miles from Bamfield Road south to Aldrich Road

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

Motion Carries

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

- MK2601 for single sealcoat with fog seal on **Buhl Road** for .52 mile from F-30 south
- MK2602 for single sealcoat with fog seal on **Armstrong Road** for .51 mile from F-30 south to Smith Road

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

Motion Carries

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

- MT2601 for limestone gravel on **Hubbard Lake Trail** for 1.00 mile from the Wildcat Creek Bridge east
- MT2602 for limestone gravel and 18" culvert on **Tower Road** for 1.90 miles from Reeves Road east
- MT2603 for limestone gravel in various locations and light drainage corrections on **Flynn Valley Road, Oscona Trail**

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

Motion Carries

Bamfield Road Repair Estimate

Manager Campbell explained that the quote provided is the Cadillac of repairs. He spoke of the MDOT and engineer recommendations. He'd like the board to allow him to move forward with it to hopefully have it completed this year. FEMA does not participate in reimbursement for federally funded roads and primary collectors. A reimbursement request would have to go through the Federal Highway Administration. The quote does not include the engineering costs.

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Wright to allow the managing director to proceed with engineering specifications for bidding reconstruction of Bamfield Road failure.

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

Motion Carries

Culvert Lining Estimates for Flood Damage Repairs

Manager Campbell provided the board with the quotes for five sites from Tunnel Vision to reline the existing culverts. Campbell doesn't think Tunnel Vision would qualify as a repair for FEMA reimbursement. Campbell would like to do the Hubbard Lake Road culvert and the one on F30 by Cole Road. Additional discussion occurred.

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to authorize the managing director to move forward with the culvert repairs as needed and investigate reimbursement.

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

Motion Carries

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Manager Campbell stated that he met with FEMA. He said there are different categories for contractor work on projects. Timber Lakes will all need to be cleaned out. The Federal Highway Administration has taken over five projects, but he hasn't talked or met with them yet.

There will be a small kick off party for William Smith on the 13th at 3:30pm for his retirement

Campbell was hoping to have an estimate on Beaton Road Bridge. MacArthur's does not want to complete it but will assist if able. He was there when they set the benchmark. There was miscommunication about the bottom of the footing. Can use existing sheet pilings, Gravel footing must come out and be reset.

Additional conversation took place about FEMA reimbursement and going to mitigation regarding a particular site.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chairman at 4:45pm until the next regular meeting which will be held on Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 4:00pm.

Theodore Somers, Chairman

Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant