Alcona County Road Commission October 14, 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, October 14, 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 and Administrative Assistant/Board Clerk Lori Grush. Craig Johnston, Shane Bowman, and Ronald Edwards were present.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to accept the October 14, 2026, meeting agenda as presented. Motion Carries

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ron Edwards from Springport Road asked about what could be done regarding his "blind" driveway. A sign, perhaps? Manager Campbell stated that that type of sign request would have to come from the township and it would have to meet certain specifications.

Mr. Edwards left the meeting at 4:04pm

County Commissioner liaison, Craig Johnston, updated the board on the county recycling program. They are currently looking for a location for the new bins. Chair Somers asked who was going to be maintaining them. Discussion followed.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Superintendent Escareno informed the board that the crew had finished up on fog sealing for the season. In addition, there has been some durapatching done, ditching, culverts, blading, hauling material, and shoulder gravel on F30. They finished up on the township agreement on Hubbard Lake Trail and are still working on getting material for the DeCosta Road and Curtisville Road projects. Guys are still out on trees and brushing, blading seasonal roads and forest roads. Commissioner Harvey asked about Procunier Road west of Cruzen. That is where the recycled asphalt had been placed. He's getting calls on it.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Harvey, Wright to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2026, meeting as presented. Motion Carries

FINANCIAL REPORTS & OPEN ACCOUNTS

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to approve payment of open accounts from September 30, 2026, in the amount of $279,147.83.
Roll call vote: Wright -yes, Harvey –yes, Somers –yes Motion Carries

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to approve payment of open accounts from October 14, 2026, in the amount of $152,185.77.
Roll call vote: Wright -yes, Harvey –yes, Somers –yes Motion Carries

Manager Campbell provided some comments on the NRF funds received.

CORRESPONDENCE

The information for tomorrow's East Central District meeting was given to the board.

BUSINESS

NMARC 2026 Board Member Ballot

Moved by Commissioner Wright, Harvey to allow the managing director to vote on behalf of the Road Commission for the NMARC 2026 election.
Roll call vote: Wright -yes, Harvey –yes, Somers –yes Motion Carries

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Manager Campbell stated that Trevor MacNeill was selected for the Foreman position and he'll start on Monday. His route with the loader is now up for bid. Campbell is still adding FEMA projects. He's hoping to wrap up Decosta Road and Curtisville Road without filing an extension. There are three FHA culverts that are supposed to still be lined this year too. The Beaton Road bridge's actual structure was finished today and now we'll be hauling out material. He will get with DeRoucher next week about the concrete. Bamfield Road repair is completed. Most of the township projects were just submitted for pay back. Manager Campbell asked about the next meeting. The board made no change to the meeting schedule. Commission Somers asked if Campbell will be picking up with the townships again next year. Discussion followed including talk about the NRF funds and local projects. Campbell shared that if we get into asphalt projects, it will have to be contracted out. Commissioner Harvey asked about Clark Road. Manager Campbell stated that Bolen is the contractor, and they are supposed to overlay the section that was damaged.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chairman at 4:27pm until the next regular meeting which will be held on Wednesday, October 28, 2026, at 4:00pm.

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Theodore Somers, Chairman Lori Grush, Administrative Assistant