

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, July 26, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chairman
Don Terwillegar, Vice Chairman
Terry Palmer, Managing Director
Sam SanMiguel, Superintendent
Brenda Gordert, Finance Director
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager
Art Buck, Design Technician
Devin Campbell, Civil Technician
Ashley Rockefeller, GIS Technician
Absent: Al Kloha, Commission Member
Russ Inman, Design Engineer

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Laura Dawson, Lee Township Clerk; Andy Kobisa, Hope Township Supervisor; Maria Sandow, Larkin Township Supervisor; Karen Laurenz, Larkin Township.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

Additions to Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2018 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

None

Approval of Open Accounts:

The pre-pay for July 26, 2018 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for July 26, 2018 in the amount of \$635,065.53.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Terwillegar, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

MERS report was presented showing current funding level of 70%. If an additional contribution of \$300,000 is paid annually in addition to normal contributions the funding level is predicted to reach 100% in five years. Discussion was held.

Correspondence was received from MCTOA announcing the general membership dinner meeting to be held on Thursday, September 6, 2018. RSVP must be sent in by August 24, 2018.

Permit listing was reviewed

Unfinished Business:

Hiring of a full-time weighmaster was discussed. Starting wage will be \$26.00 per hour with full benefits. Weighmaster duties will be shared with Gladwin County and Isabella County and details will be worked out.

Moved by Commissioner Atton and seconded by Commissioner Terwillegar to hire full-time weighmaster at \$26.00 per hour for the first year.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried

New Business:

A construction contract was received from the Michigan Department of Transportation regarding a project programmed with the FHWA for implementation with the use of Federal Funds under Surface Transportation Program.

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to offer the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Contract No.18-5331, consists of hot mix asphalt base crushing, shaping, and resurfacing work along Magruder Road from LaPorte Road northerly to Pine River Road, along Pine River Road from Magruder Road easterly to Kent Road, and along Shearer Road from approximately 1 mile west of Sturgeon Road easterly to Sturgeon Road; including cold-in-place recycling, trenching, shoulder widening, aggregate shoulder, drainage improvement, and slope restoration work; and all together with necessary related work.

WHEREAS, the parties hereto have reached an understanding with each other regarding the performance of the work and desires to set forth this understanding in the form of a written contract.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Road Commissioners, County of Midland, authorizes Terence Palmer, Managing Director and Michael Atton, Chairman, to sign Contract 18-5331.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Terwillegar, Atton

Nays: None

Resolution Adopted.

Discussion on the state statute that requires approval by the County Board of Commissioners for all mills to be levied for the 2019 tax season.

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to send a request to the County Board of Commissioners to levy the full 2 mills for the 2019 tax season.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Bids were received for bridge beams for Orr Road Bridge over Weeks Drain and Grey Road Bridge over Bullock Creek:

TEG Engineering submitted the only bid and discussion was held:

Orr Road - \$234,100.00

Grey Road - \$184,800.00

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to accept bid from TEG Engineering and allow manager to award in the best interest of the county.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Terwillegar, Atton,

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Miscellaneous:

A thank you note was received from Dave and Cathy Haswell for the great job in resurfacing four miles of Laporte Road.

Staff Reports:

Art stated he is working on surveys for local projects.

He is working on the close out documents for Airport Road and Eastman Road paving projects and the bridges from last year, 9 Mile, Poseyville, Shaffer.

The milling to remove the wheel ruts has been completed on Eastman Road in Larkin Township and the road will be paved next year.

The Gordonville Road project at 4 ¾ Mile Road will be open to traffic July 27th. The lines for parking at the bridge still need to be painted.

Devin stated he has been working on the drawings for the drainage projects.

The grant applications required a hydraulic study for Waskevich and Tisland and they have a preliminary number ready.

Ben stated the skid steer will be here August 1st.

He took quotes for a trailer to haul skid steer and discussion was held:

Becks Trailer Store - \$12,550.00

Load Trail - \$12,554.29

AIS Construction Equipment - \$17,240.00

Moved by Commissioner Atton seconded by Commissioner Terwillegar to purchase the heavy duty Felling trailer from AIS.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Sam stated he is working on the drainage projects with Devin.

The skip patching was delayed due to rain and will continue next week.

The line strippers will be in on Monday.

Sam stated the brush spray program has been canceled for this year. The contractor is getting pressure from the DEQ for paperwork and chemicals. We have submitted all the paperwork twice and have all the certifications. We use same chemicals as other counties and they are not having any problems. Sam has tried to contact DEQ and they will not return phone calls. He will write letters in hopes of getting this resolved so we can resume brush spray program next year.

Terry stated the DDIR's from the flood have all been signed.

The grading permits for Coleman Road have been mailed.

Bids for 7 Mile Road bridge over Bullock Creek have been advertised.

Bids for Letts Road bridge over Waldo Drain and Homer Road bridge over Chippewa River will be advertised soon.

Terry and Doug mapped out the wetland project.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 10:00 a.m. until Thursday, August 9, 2018.

Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chairman