

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. via conference call due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Present: Mike Atton, Chairman
Al Kloha, Vice Chairman
Jim Hyatt, Commission Member
Jon Myers, Managing Director
Art Buck, Superintendent
Brenda Gordert, Finance Director
Russ Inman, Design Engineer
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager
Absent: Jeff Brown, Construction Technician
Ashley Rockefeller, GIS Technician

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Maria Sandow, Larkin Township Supervisor

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

Additions to Agenda: None

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2020 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

Jeanette Snyder inquired about residents on Mayfly, a private drive, getting access to their property through the Boyce Hydro property due to the flooding. Art stated he believed an agreement was in place but they would have to contact Boyce Hydro or MDOT.

Approval of Open Accounts:

The pre-pay for June 25, 2020 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for June 25, 2020 in the amount of \$397,037.86.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Kloha, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Flood Update:

Continuing to work on the paperwork for funding through FEMA and FHWA.

The crews are working on restoring the southbound lanes of West River Road and the contractor hired to repair the northbound lanes is scheduled to be on site next week.

The crews are also working through MDOT with repairs off M30.

MDOT has awarded Fisher Contracting the contract for debris removal at the M30 bridges.

The contractor has almost finished with the debris removal on the Curtis Road bridge and is scheduled to move to the Saginaw Road bridge next week.

Correspondence and Items of Information:

Correspondence was received from MCRCSIP regarding Coronavirus Executive Order updates from Attorney Michael Kluck's office. Discussion was held to continue board meetings through conference calls or move to in office board meetings. It was decided to continue with conference call board meetings through July 31st.

Permit listing was reviewed

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

A ballot was received from MCRCSIP for Northern Representatives for the Board of Directors and discussion ensued.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to cast unanimous ballot for Allan Cooper of Wexford County and Brian Gutowski of Emmet County.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

A ballot was received from MCRCSIP for At-Large Representatives for the Board of Directors and discussion ensued.

Moved by Commission Atton and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to cast ballot unanimous ballot for Lester Livermore of Mackinac County and Brett Laughlin of Ottawa County.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Atton, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

A social medial policy draft was presented to the Board and discussion ensued.

Moved by Commission Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to approve social media policy as presented.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Atton, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Miscellaneous:

None

Staff Reports:

Jon stated the scrap tire grant for 2020 has been extended to 2022 due to the flooding.

He has sent emails to each township inviting them to meet on Wednesday, July 1st to discuss road funding and construction projects for 2020.

Art stated the mower tractor students are doing well. We've received "thank you" phone calls.

The first round of the MDOT mowing is complete.

We donated a driver and our truck with the end dump to help with flood cleanup effort in Sanford for a couple days last week.

The Monroe and Redstone Road bridges are fully complete and open to the public.

The rural paving project on Coleman, Freeland, Salt River, and Dickenson Road is complete and the contractor is working on the shoulder gravel today.

The Eastman Road reconstruction scheduled to start next week has been delayed due to the utilities.

Ben stated he will be taking our swap loader cab chassis and Michigan scraper up to Truck & Trailer. They are waiting for delivery of some components but are going to start assembly.

Jeanette Snyder thanked the Road Commission for the help with the cleanup in Sanford.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 9:30 a.m. until Thursday, July 09, 2020.

Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chairman