

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. at the Midland County Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chair  
Jim Hyatt, Vice Chair  
Bill Cozat, Member  
Russ Inman, Director of Engineering  
Art Buck, Superintendent  
Donna Lowe, Finance Director  
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager

Absent: Ashley Hiles, GIS Coordinator  
Jon Myers, Managing Director  
Jeff Brown, Construction Technician  
Travis Havercamp, Design Engineer

Public Present: Larry Schuelke, Homer Township; Maria Sandow, Larkin Township, attended virtually.

**The Pledge of Allegiance was said**

**Additions to Agenda:**

None

**Approval of Minutes:**

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Cozat to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2023 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Public Comment:**

None

**Approval of Open Accounts and Payroll:**

The payroll for May 11, 2023 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Cozat and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to authorize payroll for May 11, 2023.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

The open accounts for May 11, 2023 were discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Cozat to approve open accounts for May 11, 2023 in the amount of \$683,876.24.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Correspondence and Items of Information:**

The June 1, 2023 Midland County Township Officials Association meeting was discussed. RSVP's are due by May 24, 2023. Donna will check back with everyone to get a final count next week.

**Unfinished Business:**

None

**New Business:**

The 2023 Engineering Reimbursement was discussed. This is an annual State of Michigan \$10,000 reimbursement for having Jon on staff as an engineer.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Cozat to approve the submission of the Engineering Reimbursement.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Miscellaneous:**

None

**Staff Reports:**

Russ discussed the bids for the Waldo Road overlay project, which came in far under budget. The savings there can be transferred over to the Eastman Road project which will save the Road Commission approximately \$76,000.

Bids for the upcoming roundabout project are still scheduled to open June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Russ also reported that the 2023 Construction Map has been updated and is now on the web site for the public to view.

Russ, Jon and the engineering staff are attending an Open House in Larkin Township on Monday from 4-7 p.m. to discuss the Roundabout project with the public and answer any questions or concerns.

He also stated that the engineering intern, Kody, started on Monday and things were going well.

Ben stated that the Bomag Roller had been delivered and upfitted and ready to go. The new truck build is almost ready for paint.

He also stated that the mowing tractors are all in service. Two are already out mowing.

Construction work has started and the mechanics are busy fixing things as they break.

Ben and Art discussed brush cutting operations and where they have been focused.

Art discussed the dust control program, which is starting Monday. Michigan Chloride will be doing the large part of the program and our crew will finish up the stubs.

He also stated that paving started this week. Chip and seal will start on May 30<sup>th</sup> and will take 2-3 weeks, weather dependent.

Art also updated the board on the summer help that had started already and there will be more starting throughout the month of May.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 9:17 a.m. until Thursday, May 25, 2023.

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Donna Lowe, Finance Director

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Mike Atton, Chair