

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Vice-Chairman Hyatt on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. at the Midland County Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chair, attended virtually
Jim Hyatt, Vice Chair
Bill Cozat, Member
Jon Myers, Managing Director
Art Buck, Superintendent
Russ Inman, Director of Engineering
Jeff Brown, Construction Technician
Travis Havercamp, Design Engineer
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager
Ashley Hiles, GIS Coordinator
Absent: Donna Lowe, Finance Director

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Greg McCreadie, Larkin Township; Maria Sandow, Larkin Township attended virtually.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Additions to Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Cozat and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2023 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

Greg McCreadie spoke regarding a drain concern in Larkin Township. Art stated that the project would be completed before the snow flies, roughly the end of October.

Approval of Open Accounts and Payroll:

The payroll for August 17, 2023 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Cozat and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to authorize payroll for August 17, 2023.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

The open accounts for August 17, 2023 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Cozat and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve open accounts for August 17, 2023, in the amount of \$476,932.88.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

2023 Act 51 Mileage Certification

Russ discussed a letter from MDOT approving our certification maps for the calendar year ending December 31, 2022. Primary road changes have been approved.

Letter from resident re: Gordonville Road drainage project

Jon spoke about a letter we received from a resident on Gordonville Road that was very happy with the drainage project and the crew. There have been several positive comments on Gordonville Road that have come in.

Midland County Drain Commission Day of Review of Drainage District

Based on Lidar readings conducted, the district boundaries for drains have been redrawn, and the Drain Commission has provided a day for public comments on those boundaries.

The Permit Listing was reviewed.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Tittabawassee Road Construction Bids

Bids were reviewed for the Tittabawassee Road Construction project. Jon recommended that the board award the contract to Ace Saginaw Paving, which was below the engineer's estimate and the low bid.

Moved by Commissioner Cozat and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to award the Tittabawassee Road construction contract to Ace Saginaw Paving Company.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Miscellaneous:

None

Staff Reports:

Jeff discussed the Waldo/Monroe Roundabout. The curb and gutter should be done by Saturday and they will work on finishing the agg base and paving.

Russ praised the engineering staff for the job they have been doing on the drainage projects and keeping those moving forward. He also discussed the Bailey Bridge project. It is unlikely to be obligated this fiscal year, and that there may be ramifications from that. Road Commission staff is helping to facilitate that as much as possible. Russ also updated the Board on the Road Commission booth at the Midland County Fair, which was handled by himself, Ashley, Travis and Kody. He mentioned that there were some good public relations opportunities at the booth where they were able to answer questions from the public about projects and why we do the things we do.

Travis is working on design projects. He also was able to participate in the PASER ratings last week, which was a first for him.

Ben talked about the installation of the rubber tire roller for the grader. It has been used this week and everyone is happy with its performance. He has also been working with Kawkawlin Roofing for some minor roof repairs that need to be done before winter. Ben has also been working with Purity Gas and Air King for pricing and installation for the air exchange system for the shop. He

updated the Board on the semi truck build. The truck is done except for the PTO mounted on the transmission. It is not clearing the truck frame, so he is working on alternative options. The brine tank parts and equipment have arrived and the mechanics will be starting on that next. AIS provided him with an updated delivery date for the wheel loader which unfortunately will not be here until possibly just before Christmas.

Art stated that Poseyville and Gordonville Road paving is complete and is very nice now. Drainage work is still going on and is nearing completion. Grading jobs are complete and are ready for paving. He stated that last Thursday the Road Commission participated in the Midland Health Fair. We brought a grader and a plow truck for kids to be able to sit in and explore. It was a big hit with the kids!

Jon reminded the board about the East Central Council Meeting in West Branch, leaving at 7:30 a.m. There will be seven state representatives attending, which will make the meeting a little different. He stated that the intersection signing project will be starting September 25th. This project will upgrade primary road stop signs throughout the county.

Maria Sandow thanked the Road Commission for the progress on the roundabout.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Hyatt at 9:38 a.m. until Thursday, August 31, 2023.

Donna Lowe, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chair