

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Sagle on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the Road Commission office.

Present: Janice Sagle, Chairman
Don Terwillegar, Vice Chairman
Mike Atton, Member
Terry Palmer, Managing Director
Sam SanMiguel, Superintendent
Brenda Gordert, Clerk

Absent: None

Public Present: Al Kloha, Midland County Board of Commissioners

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Chairman Sagle called for a moment of silence in observance of memorial day honoring military men and women.

Additions to Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Atton and seconded by Commissioner Terwillegar to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2015 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Sagle, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

None

Staff Reports:

Terry reported we are working on our country curbs. We are looking to purchase, borrow, or rent a disc to break up sod clumps.

IT Right was in to install servers but equipment was not complete. They are going to rebuild the three servers and will return in a couple weeks. We may have additional cost for a mounting rack.

New phone system has been installed.

Terry attended non-motorized meeting in Saginaw. Discussion on the possibility of money available to access Iron Bell Trail in Mills Township. Terry will be contacting Mills Supervisor, Dan Bloom, and getting more information.

Sam reported Saginaw Asphalt will be shouldering Meridian Road from M20 to South County Line and then chip seal will follow by Fahrner Asphalt.

Coleman Road Bridge detour will start approximately June 1 and we are going to spot gravel Geneva Road to accommodate traffic on the detour route.

Grading for brine will begin June 1 and the first round of paving is schedule for the end of May.

All township estimates are in except two and he has been in touch with them.

Janice mentioned the quad meeting held on May 14 in Jasper was well attended.

Approval of Open Accounts:

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for May 21, 2015 in the amount of \$254,535.16.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioner Sagle, Terwillegar, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence & Items of Information:

The Midland County Township Officials' Association is holding their June meeting on the 4th at the Homer Township Public Safety Facility.

The East Central Council meeting will be held May 28 in Gladwin County. Terry and Janice will be attending.

Permit listing was reviewed.

Unfinished Business:

No updates on policies or Road Commission logo.

New Business:

A letter was received from MDOT regarding reimbursement of engineering costs in the amount of \$10,000 according to Act 51, P.A. 1951.

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to request engineering reimbursement in the amount of \$10,000.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Terwillegar, Sagle, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

An agreement was received from Jase Commercial Cleaning to continue office cleaning for another year at a cost of \$55.00 per visit. The current agreement is \$45.00 per visit and expires June 1, 2015.

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to accept agreement from Jase Commercial Cleaning for another year.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Sagle, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Terry and Sam discussed current staffing needs. We have filled the mechanic position in house and are working through the job postings with the employees. We have temporary employees for the winter but still have open positions in the summer. A lengthy discussion was held on the number of recent retirees, the number of recent new hires, and the costs for additional employees with benefits.

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve the hiring of one additional full time employee with benefits at a laborer rate.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Sagle, Atton, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried

An agreement was received from the County of Midland regarding the housing of a back-up computer server at the County Building. They will not charge to provide space for placement of equipment and will not provide maintenance or support.

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve agreement with County of Midland.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Terwillegar, Atton, Sagle

Nays: None

Motion Carried

A lengthy discussion was held on the engineering office remodel. Estimates have been received for remodel, purchase of office furniture, and carpeting. Estimates for carpet and office furniture seem high and the staff will look into options. We will also get another estimate for the remodel.

Miscellaneous:

Discussion on private road maintenance agreements. Costs were compiled for the cost of maintenance on local roads for 2014. Discussion on whether to change the policy on how the costs for private roads are billed or to discontinue the agreements entirely.

Moved by Commissioner Atton and seconded by Commissioner Terwillegar adjourn meeting at 12:15 p.m. until Thursday, June 4, 2015.

Clerk

Chairman