

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Sagle on Thursday, July 30, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the Road Commission office.

Present: Janice Leatherman Sagle, Chairman  
Don Terwillegar, Vice Chairman  
Mike Atton, Member  
Terry Palmer, Managing Director  
Sam SanMiguel, Superintendent  
Brenda Gordert, Clerk  
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager  
Art Buck, Engineering Technician

Absent: None

Public Present: Gene Smith, Midland County Planning Commission Chairman; Al Kloha, Midland County Board of Commissioners

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 16, 2015 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Sagle, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Public Comment:**

Gene Smith commented on the traffic on the M30 round-about. He feels motorists are adapting very well and traffic seems to move smoothly.

**Approval of Open Accounts:**

The pre-pay for July 30, 2015 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for July 30, 2015 in the amount of \$1,205,248.95.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioner Sagle, Terwillegar, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Correspondence & Items of Information:**

Correspondence was received from MDOT regarding the distribution of funds from Public Act 84. The Road Commission will receive quarterly installments of \$238,722.26 starting in November for fiscal year 2016.

**New Business:**

The Northern and Southern Associations will hold their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Joint Conference in Frankenmuth September 15-17, 2015.

Terry had a meeting with the DNR to discuss partnering on future work throughout the county.

**Permit listing was reviewed.**

**Staff Reports:**

Brenda and Janice attended Insurance Pool Meeting in Mt. Pleasant. The meeting was very well attended and a couple of the sessions were on the employment practices manual. Midland County received recognition from CRASIF for having one of the lowest worker's compensation injury rates for counties of our size.

Art commented on the progress on the Coleman Road Bridge. They are a little behind schedule but will be pounding piling next week. Paving projects are going well and the Gordonville Road Bridge in Ingersoll Township is scheduled for healer-sealer application next week.

Pre-con meeting next Tuesday for the Rural Overlays that are scheduled to start on August 17.

Sam stated the graveling has been completed and the line stripping has started. The crews are changing a cross tube on West River Road and contractor will be in to finish last couple paving projects for the townships. We are going to be starting the paving project on Saginaw Road for the Village of Sanford. The crews will be working overtime Friday on Salt River Road in Greendale Township.

Ben stated the two new mowers are working great. The stock room inventory is half way complete. The new Road Commission decals have been put on the pickups and will be put on rest of equipment as time permits. The shop has been very busy and everyone is doing a great job. Don inquired about a finger system that follows the contour of the ditch to guide the mowers. Mike asked about extended warranty on new excavator. Ben will look into it.

Terry commented on a meeting with Brian McManus from the City of Midland to discuss the Urban TIP projects over the next few years. Discussion was on how projects will be selected.

There is a Roll-Away ribbon cutting this morning at 11:00 am for the new parking lot in Averill.

Lansing Traffic and Safety will be coming on Wednesday out of MDOT to review the safety audit on Midland County Roads.

Mike Phillips from MCRCSIP suggested a truck rodeo and we will combine it with safety inspection for equipment possibly sometime in October.

**Miscellaneous:**

None

Moved by Commissioner Atton and seconded by Commissioner Terwillegar adjourn meeting at 10:05 a.m. until Thursday, August 13, 2015.

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Brenda Gordert, Clerk

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Janice Leatherman Sagle, Chairman