

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chairman
Don Terwillegar, Vice Chairman
Al Kloha, Commission Member
Terry Palmer, Managing Director
Sam SanMiguel, Superintendent
Brenda Gordert, Finance Director
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager
Art Buck, Design Technician

Absent: Russ Inman, Design Engineer

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

Additions to Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Terwillegar to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2018 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Terwillegar, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

None

Approval of Open Accounts:

The pre-pay for February 8, 2018 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Terwillegar to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for February 8, 2018 in the amount of \$404,790.48.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Terwillegar, Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

The Midland County Township Officials' Association (MCTOA) general meeting will be held on Thursday, March 1, 2018 at the Mt. Haley Township hall.

The 2017 Drain Assessment at Large was received in the amount of \$141,589.19 of which the Road Commission is responsible for 50% or \$70,794.59.

Correspondence was received from the Union on behalf of Dave Rossow requesting the Board to waive 3 years of the 5 year continuous service requirement on the hydraulic excavator and increase his hourly rate by \$1.50. Discussion ensued. In a unanimous decision of the Board to remain in compliance with the current union agreement the request is denied. A letter will be sent to the union.

Permit listing was reviewed

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Ben Mead discussed the purchase of two new tandem trucks this year. He will be checking the cost of a Western Star along with International.

Ben presented price quotes from Truck and Trailer from the MiDeal program for the tandem truck components. He also presented price quotes from Falcon Asphalt Repair Equipment for a 2-ton hot patcher. Discussion was held.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Terwillegar to purchase truck components from Truck and Trailer and hot patcher from Falcon off the MiDeal program.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Terwillegar, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

The following Bid Extensions were received for the 2018 Construction Season and discussion was held:

- Set In Stone – Concrete Bridge Beams
- Shaw Contracting – Micro Cold Milling HMA

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to approve both bid extensions.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Atton, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Discussion was held on the interview status for the open truck driver/maintenance position. Four interviews were conducted on Wednesday. We have scheduled three more today, three on Friday and one on Monday. Sam and Terry stated we have received many qualified applications and due to retirements later this year request we hire two new employees. This will be an exceptionally busy year finishing flood projects and township projects. They will be able to work with the current employees and gain knowledge.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Terwillegar to hire two new employees in advance of the expected retirements this year.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Terwillegar, Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Staff Reports:

Art stated he successfully completed his recertification classes last week for office tech.

We have nine items in the material bid packet for 2018 to go out on Friday. Bid opening will be March 16th:

1. Paving
2. Skip Patching
3. Aggregates
4. Dura Patcher Stone
5. Pavement Marking
6. Signs
7. Posts
8. Guard Rail
9. Concrete Blocks

He has a meeting with the DEQ this afternoon to look at permit sites.

Terry stated he is starting to put together a presentation on flood damage and road conditions on where we are today and what projects need completed. He discussed the temporary weight restriction notice issued a couple weeks ago. It was well received and the contractors seem to comply. He will review our 5-year plan with staff. He will be attending the County Engineer's Workshop next week.

Sam presented a list of primary chip seal projects. He invited Commissioners to attend the Superintendent's meeting at the Road Commission on March 6th. Presentation will be on weight restrictions and Bill VonMatt will be speaking.

Ben stated Skyhawk will be in next week to install the six new GPS Systems in the trucks. The large pump is now installed in the brine tank and we are now filling our own brine tanker. The new boiler is not working properly and the contractor is replacing it with a larger one.

Miscellaneous:

Discussion was held regarding a snow plow accident involving one of our trucks. No injuries occurred and no damage to Road Commission truck. We may have to turn in a claim for damages to the other vehicle involved. No tickets were issued.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 10:35 a.m. until Thursday, February 22, 2018.

Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chairman