

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, November 29, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chairman
Don Terwillegar, Vice Chairman joined meeting at 9:15 am
Al Kloha, Commission Member
Terry Palmer, Managing Director
Sam SanMiguel, Superintendent
Brenda Gordert, Finance Director
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager
Russ Inman, Design Engineer
Art Buck, Design Technician
Devin Campbell, Civil Technician
Ashley Rockefeller, GIS Technician

Absent: None

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Laura Dawson, Lee Township Clerk; Maria Sandow, Larkin Township Supervisor, Karen Laurenz, Larkin Township; Adam Sian.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

Additions to Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2018 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

Commissioner Snyder gave an update on the status of a resolution of support in opposing SB 396 and she also discussed the "Toy's for Tot's" program for Midland County.

Approval of Open Accounts:

The pre-pay for November 15, 2018 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Atton and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for November 15, 2018 in the amount of \$1,252,976.81.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

The pre-pay for November 29, 2018 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Atton and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for November 29, 2018 in the amount of \$765,902.40.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

A letter was sent to the County Board of Commissioners requesting support resolution in opposing the logging SB 396.

A request was received from CRA for the Impress Awards call for nominations due January 14, 2019.

Permit listing was reviewed

Unfinished Business:

Terry was notified by the Midland Area Community Foundation the grant application for an asphalt recycler with two hot boxes was approved in the amount of \$100,000. The Road Commission will become a recycle center for asphalt using the recycled asphalt for patch material.

A request was received for Aspen Pointe Estates off Jefferson Road in Larkin Township, section 22, to be accepted into the county road system for 2,252 feet. Inspection has been completed and the roadway meets Road Commission specifications.

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Atton to accept Aspen Pointe Estates into the County Road System as a certified road.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Atton, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

New Business:

Discussion on the public hearing the 2019 budget.

Moved by Commissioner Terwillegar and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to schedule the budget hearing on December 27, 2018 at 9:30 am.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Kloha, Terwillegar

Nays: None

Motion Carried

A new logo for the Midland, Isabella, and Gladwin County weighmaster has been developed and is being incorporated into new letterhead and business cards.

A proposal is up for approval by the state legislature for an additional \$183 million for road funding. If approved, it will provide an additional \$668,800 for Midland County of which 30% will be distributed equally between the townships in non-matching funds computed at \$12,500 per township.

The Local Rural Task Force meeting was held on Tuesday, November 27th and had great public turnout with positive comments. Russ presented map showing projects from 2016 thru 2023 illustrating the corridor routes that continue to be improved. The reconstruction of 3 miles of Tittabawassee Road was added for 2023. Saginaw County will also be working on their portion and it will be transferred to the primary road network and Laporte Road will go back to a local road.

MPO Urban projects proposed are:

Projects for 2020:

- Eastman Road will be widened to 3 lanes from Commerce Drive to Monroe Road with center left turn lanes
- Eastman Road from Monroe Road to Mier Road widening out 4' paved shoulders and overlaying roadway

Projects for 2022:

- Poseyville Road reconstruct from Gordonville Road north to City Limits, widen shoulder and resurface. Discussion was held on the double culverts installed at the Bullock Creek. Culverts will be inspected prior to resurfacing.

Projects for 2024:

- Waldo Road resurface from City of Midland to Monroe Road

Notable changes to all season map:

- Smith Crossing from Gordonville south to County Line
- Gordonville Road from 4 ¾ Mile east to Meridian Road
- Wackerly Road and 7 Mile Road (corrected)
- Shaffer Road between Waldo and Eastman

Proposed all season routes were approved by the RTF Committee and added to map:

- Hubbard Road between Eastman to Waldo Road
- Monroe Road from Eastman to Waldo
- Jefferson Road from City of Midland to Monroe Road

Miscellaneous:

A request was received from Consumers Energy to execute an option for a purchase agreement for the piece of property at the northeast corner of Section 13, Lee Township, for \$5,000. After further discussion took place it was moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Terwillegar to have Managing Director Palmer review the document and to execute the option to purchase agreement.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Terwillegar, Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Staff Reports:

Ben stated he met with Jeff Strong from Rex Roth systems to repair software glitch with Skyhawk program.

Gate stops have been installed on salt trucks to improve salt accuracy.

Green lights have been installed on all trucks

The brine tankers are set up and running.

The new salt truck will be on the road the end of next week.

The new Western Star tandem trucks will be arriving soon, and mechanics will start to build.

Sam stated the County Road Association requested the Road Commission to do a couple safety snow plow videos.

The weather service is predicting some freezing rain and we may do some pretreating with brine.

He attended the Superintendent meeting with Ben and Art and discussion was on new employee training.

Sam hosted a "lunch and learn" program with Michigan Pipe and Valve and ADS on Tuesday and many local contractors were in attendance.

He is working on township road estimates for next year.

Art stated the 7 Mile Road bridge between LaPorte and Kent is now open.

He is working on finalizing the paperwork for Eastman Road, Shaffer Road, and Gordonville Road projects.

He is working on a con-mod for Saginaw Road and Waldo Road for 2019.

Russ stated he and Art installed a cell phone booster for the Ingersoll Garage.

Cameras have been installed around the county to track weather. One is located at M20 and County Line and one at Coleman and Baker Roads.

He has installed a weather station outside the engineering door.

He stated we will be taking bids for the Eastman Road tire grant project and the asphalt projects in the next couple weeks.

He will be working on a site plan review for a gas station at Eastman and Monroe Roads in Larkin Township.

Devin stated he is working with DLZ to keep Turner Parkway project moving forward.

A demonstration of the time sheet application should be ready by the end of December.

Ashley has been working on the Skyhawk AVL snow plow route maps

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 10:23 a.m. until Thursday, December 13, 2018.

Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chairman