

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chairman
Jim Hyatt, Commission Member
Terry Palmer, Managing Director
Sam SanMiguel, Superintendent
Brenda Gordert, Finance Director
Russ Inman, Design Engineer
Art Buck, Design Technician
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager
Ashley Rockefeller, GIS Technician

Absent: Al Kloha, Vice Chairman

Public Present: Maria Sandow, Larkin Township Supervisor; Laura Dawson, Lee Township Clerk; Doug Jackson, Larkin Township; Tom Corbat, Porter Township Supervisor.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

Additions to Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2019 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

Doug Jackson presented history of Swede Road right-of-way gate and court proceedings. He would like to have the gate removed from Swede Road right-of-way. He has a contract with logging firm to cut trees from his property and needs access for trucks. He will provide copy of contract.

Approval of Open Accounts:

The pre-pay for August 22, 2019 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for August 8, 2019 in the amount of \$520,399.89.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

MCTOA meeting will be held September 5, 2019 at the Larkin Township Hall. Commissioner Hyatt, Commissioner Kloha, Terry Palmer, and Sam SanMiguel to attend.

Norther/Southern Annual Joint Conference will be held September 11th & 12th in Battle Creek.

Permit listing was reviewed

Unfinished Business:

Legislative summit will be held Monday, August 26th in Gaylord. Commissioner Hyatt, Commissioner Kloha and Terry Palmer to attend.

New Business:

A construction contract was received from the Michigan Department of Transportation regarding a project programmed with the FHWA, for implementation with the use of Federal Funds under Emergency Relief Program.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Atton to offer the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Contract No.19-5434, consists of removal and replacement work for structures #6928 which carries Redstone Road over Bush Creek, sections 25 & 26, T13N, R02W, Jasper Township and #13938 which carries Monroe Road over Newell Drain, sections 20 & 20, T15N, R02E, Lincoln Township including approach work; and all together with necessary related work.

WHEREAS, the parties hereto have reached an understanding with each other regarding the performance of the work and desires to set forth this understanding in the form of a written contract.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Road Commissioners, County of Midland, authorizes Terence Palmer, Managing Director and Michael Atton, Chairman, to sign Contract 19-5434.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton

Nays: None

Resolution Adopted.

A ballot was received from Northern Association of Road Commissions for Board Members for 2020.

Moved by Commissioner Atton and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to cast a unanimous ballot for the four candidates.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Terry discussed various forms of funding for Smiths Crossing Bridge in Ingersoll Township and the need to apply for a TAP grant.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Atton to schedule public hearing for September 5th at 9:30 a.m. to request public input on TAP grant application.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Miscellaneous:

None

Staff Reports:

Russ stated the booth at the fair was very successful and comment cards were favorable. The survey for support of a proposed full interchange on Waldo Road at US-10 was 92% positive. Discussion on staffing the booth for a couple afternoons and possible sharing with the Townships.

Art gave project updates:

- Eastman Road and Waldo Road final approach work is scheduled for Friday, August 23rd
- Poseyville Road is being paved today, ditch cleanup to follow, and top next week
- 11 Mile/Odd/Porter Roads recon started this week with the clearing and dirt moving
- Donald Lane drainage project started this week with the removal of trees, drainage work and storm sewer installation will start after Labor Day

He stated he is having a pre-con August 22nd for the repairs on 13 flood related projects. Barden Road project will be completed this fall and the remaining 12 will be completed next year. He attended a meeting with the EOC and Boyce Hydro working with a disaster plan scenario.

Ben stated the new badge security system is installed and working great. He has an app on his phone to program the system remotely if needed and can monitor any alarms. He stated the septic tank at the Jasper garage is being replaced. He contacted the company that drove over the tank and they are covering all costs. He stated he will be getting quotes soon for 2020 truck purchases due to the 6 month lead time for truck to be built.

Sam stated the crews are shouldering this week. He stated round one is complete on the line stripping. The contractor will be back after Labor Day to complete the local paving projects. The contractor will start the graveling projects after Labor Day.

Commissioner Atton discussed the rippling on Waldo Road paving project. Terry and Art commented the rippling is very minimal and road will smooth out with warm weather and traffic.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 10:00 a.m. until Thursday, September 5, 2019.

Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chairman