

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, November 6, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. at the Midland County Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chairman
Jim Hyatt, Vice Chair
Bill Cozat, Member
Jon Myers, Managing Director
Russ Inman, Director of Engineering
Art Buck, Superintendent
Donna Lowe, Finance Director
Steve Youngs, Fleet and Facilities Manager
Travis Haverkamp, Design Engineer
Ashley Hiles, GIS Coordinator
Jeff Brown, Construction Technician

Absent: None

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Larry Schuelke, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Maria Sandow, Larkin Township appeared virtually.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Additions to Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the October 23, 2025 meeting were discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Cozat to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2025 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

Jeanette commented on the new County maps. Larry commented on asphalt work that had been done near the Rail Trail.

Approval of Open Accounts and Payroll:

The payroll for November 6, 2025 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Cozat to approve payroll for November 6, 2025.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

The open accounts for November 6, 2025 were discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Cozat and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve open accounts for November 6, 2025 in the amount of \$1,424,354.65.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

Jon reviewed the agenda for the Northern Michigan Road Commissions Conference which is scheduled for December 10-12, 2025. Room reservations are due by November 9, 2025.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business:

Safety Luncheon and Meijer turkey gift cards

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Cozat to set the annual Safety Luncheon for December 19, 2025, and to purchase turkey gift cards from Meijer for each employee.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Atton, Cozat

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Miscellaneous:

MDOT Winter Night Patrol Agreement

Night patrol will start November 16, 2025, or as determined to be appropriate.

Staff Reports:

Jeff gave an update on MDOT local agency projects. He discussed the Saiko Road bridge deck waterproofing that the crew did last week, in preparation for the paving that will be done.

Ashley has been delivering the new maps to other County agencies. She has been working on our new website. She has started snowplow maps for the 2025/2026 snow season.

Travis is working on paperwork for MS-4 permitting for EGLE. He attended a Road Soft training last week.

Art stated there are 3 roads left to be paved this year. Weather has not been cooperating, but they are hopeful of getting it done soon. He discussed the training that he has been doing with new employees and preparing for snow plowing. He has been busy with township ride alongs and estimates for 2026 local projects.

Steve reported that all equipment is up and running. Trucks have been prepped for the winter season. He gave an update on the new truck build. He stated that he sold the old brine tanker for \$2000 to Huron County Road Commission.

Russ just returned from a trip to Italy and gave an update on his trip.

Donna updated the board on her search for a new auditor.

Jon discussed the updated information he received from County Road Association about the new road funding. He stated that we got the official notifications of award for our safety and bridge projects. The new road funding package has increased funding for those projects, so he is hopeful that there may be more projects able to be funded. He gave updates on the remainder of projects that are going on through December and January. Jon is going to a program advisory board meeting for RTF this afternoon. He stated he will begin discussions about how we will be applying the money from the new road funding to local roads. He discussed the MATS study of non-motorized projects.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 9:33 am until Thursday, November 20, 2025.

Donna Lowe, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chairman