

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, March 12, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. at the Midland County Road Commission office.

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

Absent: Steve Youngs, Fleet and Facilities Manager

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Larry Schuelke, Midland County Board of Commissioners; Max Hofweber, Rieth-Riley Construction; Larry Bushong, Rieth-Riley Construction

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Additions/Changes to Agenda:

2026 2 Ton Hot Patcher purchase was removed from the agenda due to Steve's absence.

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Cozat to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2026 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Cozat, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

Jeanette discussed the recent MCTOA meeting as well as her National Association of County Officials Meeting in Washington D.C.

Approval of Open Accounts and Payroll:

The payroll for March 12, 2026 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Cozat to authorize payroll for March 12, 2026.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Cozat, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Open accounts for March 12, 2026 were discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Cozat and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve open accounts for March 12, 2026, in the amount of \$602,775.80.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Cozat, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

MCRCSIP Election Memo for Candidates

The Board reviewed the Election Memo for Candidates provided by MCRCSIP. No further action was needed.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Round 2 Material and Services bid awards

Jeff and Art reviewed the material and services bids that were opened on March 10, 2026 and discussion ensued.

Moved by Commissioner Cozat and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to accept the bid from J. Ranck Electric for the Sturgeon Rd. and Shaffer Rd. Intersection Improvement Project (ST25120) as recommended in the best interest of the Road Commission

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Hyatt, Cozat, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Cozat to accept in part the bid from Fahrner Asphalt Sealers, LLC for the Overband Crack Fill services and reject in part the Overband Crack Fill for the Road Commission parking lot, which staff recommends being handled in-house. Staff recommendation was to accept the bid as 2nd lowest bidder, in the best interest of the Road Commission, due to communication and performance issues with the lowest bidding contractor during the 2025 construction season.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioner Hyatt, Cozat, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Moved by Commissioner Cozat and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to reject all bids for Snow Fence and Posts. Staff recommend that it can be locally sourced cheaper in house.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioner Hyatt, Cozat, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Moved by Commissioner Cozat and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to accept all remaining recommended bids in the best interest of the Road Commission.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioner Hyatt, Cozat, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Miscellaneous:

None

Staff Reports:

Travis reported that he attended an HMA Road Paving workshop in Gaylord yesterday and it was very informative. He has been working on the Asset Management plan.

Art discussed several meetings he has attended recently and gave an update on the status of the salt inventory.

Jon stated that he has been on vacation, but he updated on the Board on the MDOT Bridge Conference and the CRA Highway Conference that he will be attending.

Donna stated that she will be attending the CRA Highway Conference for the first time this year, and she is looking forward to it.

Russ reported that he had also been on vacation, but he had attended the MCRCSIP Manager's Meeting on February 25th in Lansing.

Jeff reported that he has been busy with material and services bids answering questions from potential bidders. He has also been working on survey work for drainage issues the foremen are finding to add to the construction projects for this year.

Ashley stated that she is currently working on certification maps. She was excited to report that the new drone has arrived, and she and Jeff can't wait to test it out in the spring.

Commissioner Atton discussed his recent trip to Nashville to attend the AGRIP conference on behalf of MCRCSIP.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 10:03 am until Monday, March 23, 2026.

Donna Lowe, Finance Director

Jim Hyatt, Vice-Chair