

April 6, 2022

The Board of County Road Commissioners of Montcalm County held a regular meeting at its office located in Stanton, Michigan at 9:00 a.m. on April 6, 2022.

Present: Commissioners Dale Linton, Robert Brundage and Michael Scott; also present: Mark Christensen, Managing Director and Kim Alexander, Finance Director-Clerk.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and a prayer was given by Commissioner Brundage.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2022, meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Joseph Kormos, from Lithtec, was present to talk about a product he is selling that strengthens paved roads. Mark will participate in an online seminar and call him if it is something in which we are interested.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve, and sign the following township contracts: Motion carried.

Richland Township

- Seal/fog seal Pine Grove Road from Tamarack Road to Yankee Road - \$11,974
- Wedge/seal Avenue B from Deaner Road north to the school - \$3,929
- Wedge/seal Deaner Road from Douglas Road to East County Line Road - \$27,938
- Wedge/seal Pine Grove Road from M-46 to Edgar Road – 23,587
- Wedge/seal Pine Grove Road from Edgar Road to Tamarack Road - \$30,374
- Overlay on Douglas Road from M-46 to Gates Road - \$43,245
- Overlay Douglas Road from Lake Montcalm Road to Church Road - \$45,035
- Overlay Douglas Road from Gates Road to Edgar Road - \$46,809
- Overlay Douglas Road from Edgar Road to Fleck Road - \$43,892
- Provide 40 hours ditching on local roads - \$5,000

Bushnell Township

- Crush, shape and pave Townhall Road from Boyer Road to M-57 and pave Boyer Road to township hall drive - \$158,972
- Two applications of chloride @ 1,000 gpm on local roads - \$14,192.50
- One application of chloride @ 1,650 gpm on local roads - \$11,708.81

Day Township

- Two applications of chloride on local roads @ 1,650 gpm - \$18,145.05
- Gravel resurfaced Klees Road from Peoples Road to Wyman Road - \$17,430
- Spray brush along local roadsides - \$2,000

Pierson Township

- Spray brush along local roadsides - \$2,000
- Provide 40 hours ditching along local roads - \$5,000
- Overlay on Long Road from Stanton Road to Pierson Road - \$45,504
- Rotomill Day Lily Drive and limestone resurface Day Lily Drive and Kimball Road from Day Lily Drive to Whitefish Road - \$30,529
- Wedge and seal Shorecrest Drive and Lakeview Drive from Wood Lake Road to south - \$15,625
- Limestone resurface Maple Hill Road from Stanton Road to Pierson Road - \$24,235
- Three applications of chloride @ 1,650 gpm on local roads - \$29,517.84

Home Township

- Three applications of chloride @ 1,650 gpm on local roads - \$26,550.56
- Gravel resurface Tamarack Road from Neff Road to west 0.4 miles - \$7,035
- Overlay Deja Road from Fleck Road to Tamarack Road - \$47,398
- Overband crack seal local roads - \$8,813

Pine Township

- Three applications of chloride @ 1,650 gpm on local roads - \$19,728.72

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott to purchase a street sweeper from AIS on the state purchase program for \$73,319. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes, and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott to approve the bid from Ledin Painting to paint the interior of the Greenville Garage at a cost of \$24,245.00. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes, and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve the bid from Parker Painting to paint the board room at a cost of \$4,985.00. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes, and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to enter into closed session at 9:22 a.m. pursuant to the Open Meetings Act 267 of 1975, 15.368, Section (c) for a strategy and negotiation session for the upcoming AFSCME 1071.03 contract. Motion carried.

The board returned to open session at 9:57 a.m.

Manager's Report

- We are behind on grading due to the weather. We need sunny dry weather to help us out with the drying process.
- Local blacktops are in rough shape after the winter. Many townships are looking at overlays or repair of local roads.
- Our federal aid exchange is completed with Kent County Road Commission. We should expect a check in May that will be for the Federal Road job.
- There will be a minimum of twenty-five million dollars available through MDOT for federal aid purchase at \$0.90 on the dollar. We will try and be at the front of the line rather than the end of the line for this option.
- Weight restrictions ended this morning at 6:00 a.m.
- We will be partnering with Kent County Road Commission and Spencer Township on South County Line Road. Our portion will be 15% of the project.
- There are eight county drain crossings that we will pay for and repair this summer with the ARPA funds from the county.
- There is a pre-con meeting for the new building at the end of April. Funding should be in the bank tomorrow morning.
- The May and June chloride schedules are almost ready. We will post them on our website when finished.
- We have our 5-year soil erosion review with EGLE next week.
- Applications are due today for the Sidney Township Truck Driver position. We will review tomorrow and conduct interviews soon.
- We can expect a 10-12% salt price increase for next year. Kent County is working on the bids.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the March 24, 2022, bills totaling \$780,234.07, the April 7, 2022, bills totaling \$577,374.41, Payroll #5 totaling \$109,096.78 and Payroll #6 totaling \$114,123.69 as presented. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes, and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Chairperson

Clerk