

August 3, 2022

The Board of County Road Commissioners of Montcalm County held their regular meeting at its office located in Stanton, Michigan at 9:00 a.m. on August 3, 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 and a prayer were given.

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

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2022, meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Commissioner Scott offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Public Act 152 was passed by the State Legislature, designed to lessen the burden of employee healthcare costs on public employers;

WHEREAS, road commissions are given three options for complying with the requirements of the Bill, depending on the impact of the Bill on the employees of each public employer;

WHEREAS, those three options are as follows:

- 1) Apply the Hard Cap (capped dollar amount each government employer may pay towards an employee's healthcare costs);
- 2) Adopt by majority vote the 80%/20% cost-sharing model;
- 3) Elect not to follow the statute/non-compliance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Montcalm County Road Commission elects to comply with the requirements of Public Act 152 by adopting the 80%/20% cost sharing model set forth in Section 4 of Senate Bill 7. Supported by Commissioner Brundage. Roll call: Yes: Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brundage offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS the Montcalm County Road Commission purchased the property and home at 9515 Youngman Road, Lakeview, Michigan on behalf of the Michigan Department of Transportation to establish an unobstructed vision area on M-46

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Manager, Mark Christensen, is authorized to sign documents pertaining to the sale of 9515 Youngman Road, Lakeview, Michigan to the Michigan Department of Transportation. Seconded by Scott. Roll call: Yes: Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott, to approve the 5-Year TIP plan as presented. Roll call: Yes: Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Manager's Report

- There has been no letup in our schedule. The crew is doing an excellent job and should be commended on the work they are doing.
- Gravels are not in the greatest shape. Three townships will get chloride in the next week, and we may be blading this afternoon, depending on the weather.
- Dalton's will be here to start brush spraying this weekend.
- The federal aid exchange check from Kent CRC came last week so we are all set for Federal Road.
- After this week we should only have five or six miles of chip seal left in the county.
- Next Wednesday and Thursday we will be chip sealing M-37 for MDOT with Kent CRC.
- We picked up the new Peterbilt at Truck & Trailer yesterday.
- The building project is ongoing. They will be forming drains and pouring the sidewalk and floors soon.
- Due to Peterbilt changing the model of their truck, it may be necessary to purchase three trucks next year and build them in 2024.

Engineer's Report

- The CR510 (Sidney Road) safety project should start paving today unless the weather is not cooperative.
- Between July 29th and September 9th there will be 21 days of paving throughout the county.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to enter closed session pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act (MCL 15.268(a)) as requested by Mark Christensen, to complete his periodic personnel evaluation at 9:33 a.m. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

The board returned to open session at 10:30 a.m.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve the July 28, 2022, bills totaling \$308,821.57 and Payroll #15 totaling \$123,017.66. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Chairperson

Clerk