

August 19, 2020

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 August 19, 2020.

Present: Commissioners Dale Linton, Robert Brundage and Michael Scott; also present: Mark Christensen, Managing Director, Pat Denton, Engineering Technician 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 presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott, to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2020 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

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

Montcalm Township

- Asphalt mat (Base course only.) on Colby Road from Fitzner Road to Berridge Road (1 mile) - \$89,691
- 1,000 CYD 23A maintenance gravel on areas to be determined by Township Supervisor and Road Commission - \$10,000

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve and sign Mark Christensen, Superintendent/Manager's Employment Agreement as presented. Roll call: Yes-Brundage, Scott, Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott to approve and sign Kim Alexander, Finance Director/Clerk's Employment Agreement. Roll call: Yes-Brundage, Scott, Linton. Motion carried.

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Scott and seconded by Commissioner Brundage:

WHEREAS, the Montcalm County Road Commission recognizes the value in selling their Federal Aid dollars, and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Transportation is planning to allow this program to continue in 2021, and

WHEREAS, the Montcalm County Road Commission has sold Federal Aid dollars in the 2016-2020 construction seasons and plans on selling in 2021;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners for the Montcalm County Road Commission agrees to sell their 2021 Federal Aid to the Kent County Road Commission.

Roll call: Yes-Brundage, Scott, Linton. Motion carried.

Manager's Report

- Finishing up chloride this week and next. It has been dry for the last couple weeks.
- Fog sealing should be done today and chipping finished up last week. It will be nice to have all chip/fog seal projects done and the equipment cleaned and put away before Labor Day.
- The two old loaders sold on the auction last week.
- Al Roden from CRASIF was here yesterday for a safety meeting. We did a safety inspection of the Howard City garage.
- We ordered 1,800 tons of salt which was the amount left from last year's order minimum. Once delivered, all garages should be full.
- The Dickerson Lake Road Bridge over the Flat River has been lowered to an eleven-ton weight limit due to some structural issues. We are also in the process of deciding what the proper fix will be for the bridge.

Engineering Report

- Cold milling / paving scheduled for several projects in the next 2 weeks.
- Contracted crack seal for the townships is complete. We had 6 townships with a total of 41,000 lbs of crack seal rubber applied.
- Pavement markers have been in the county and are finishing up.

Clerk's Report

- Putting the finishing touches on the 2021 Budget. Should see in your Dropbox by week's end.
- Spent the last two days with a Precision trainer. We are scheduled to be online by October 1st. There is still a lot of set up to do. Most things can be transferred electronically but there are a few things that will have to be set up manually.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the August 13, 2020 bills totaling \$1,226,134.17, and Payroll #17 totaling \$102,562.70. 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 10:15 a.m.

Chairman

Clerk