

November 17, 2021

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 November 17, 2021.

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 amended. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2021, meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott, to approve the quote from Bandit Industries for the purchase (MIDEAL) of a brush chipper for \$67,836.00. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

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

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 2022, and

WHEREAS, the Montcalm County Road Commission has sold Federal Aid dollars in the 2016-2021 construction seasons and plans to sell in 2022;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners for the Montcalm County Road Commission agrees to sell their 2022 Federal Aid to the Kent County Road Commission and authorizes the Manager to sign the Federal Aid Exchange Agreement.

Supported by Commissioner Brundage. Motion carried. Roll call – Yes – Brundage, Scott, Linton.

Employee holiday gift cards have been ordered and will be here soon.

Manager's Report

- Gravel roads are not in the greatest shape after the weekend's wet weather. We are working on them every day that weather permits.
- Will be meeting with each garage separately regarding winter maintenance.
- Mike Phillips was in to do truck driver winter training last week. Al Roden also did OSHA training with our new employees. It is a three-part series, and he will be back for the other two sessions. We also have arial lift training coming up.
- Yale Parker will start night patrol on November 28th.
- Met with Carol and engineering looking at Federal Aid projects for the next few years. It is a fluid list with changes that could be made down the road depending on funding.
- Purchased a nice pick up off the Federal surplus site. It will go to the sign shop to replace their older truck.
- The three new pick ups that we ordered are built and in transit. Have not received an official delivery date yet.
- We had a major water leak in the welding garage last week. The guys did an excellent job repairing it.
- The new Greenville loader will be here this afternoon. Mecosta CRC is looking at our old loader today.
- Major focus of the CRA strategic planning was electric vehicles and road funding in the future.
- MTA meeting is December 7th at Settlement Lutheran Church.

Engineering Report

- All 2021 construction projects have been completed.

- The last two township paving jobs are complete. These were:
 - Eureka Township, Satterlee Road/Baldwin Road south of M-57
 - Sidney Township, Lakeside Drive
- The CR599 (Federal Road) safety project is done. The pavement markings were applied yesterday.
- The Rural Task Force 8A (Mecosta, Montcalm, Osceola Counties) local meeting is scheduled for November 29, 2021, at 11:30 am at the Montcalm County Road Commission's office in Stanton.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the October 21, 2021 bills totaling \$647,124.33 and Payroll #22 totaling \$108,984.24. 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 9:48 a.m.

Chairman

Clerk