

May 24, 2017

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 May 24, 2017.

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 Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2017 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

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

Belvidere Township

- 180# asphalt overlay on Caroline Drive between Wren Drive and Sparrow Drive - \$14,819
- Replace the Six Lakes Road Bridge over the Flat River - \$44,693

Village of McBride

- Seal/fog seal 1st Street from North Street (Coral Road) to B Street - \$3,265
- Seal/fog seal Michigan Avenue from Division Street (Wyman Road) west to end and Olive Street from Michigan Avenue north to the end. - \$5,671

Winfield Township

- Gravel resurface Blackfoot Trail, Seneca Drive and Seneca Court - \$8,285
- Gravel resurface Black Road from Cutler Road to North County Line Road - \$15,335
- Gravel resurface Black Road from Yankee Road to Cutler Road - \$7,667
- Replace 4 culverts (Tamarack Creek Watershed) with 2 103" x 71" culverts on Lake Montcalm Road over the Tamarack Creek - \$2,500

Maple Valley Township

- Wedge/seal Cannonsville Road from Bailey Road to Amble Road - \$26,588
- Overband crack seal – locations to be determined - \$8,625
- Replace 4 culverts (Tamarack Creek Watershed) with 2 103" x 71" culverts on Lake Montcalm Road over the Tamarack Creek - \$2,500
- Wedge 1st Street between 2nd Street and A Street - \$8,251
- Wedge Black Road from South County Line Road to Stanton Road - \$8,251
- Gravel resurface various locations throughout the township - \$11,084
- Machine wedge Muskee Road - \$2,579
- Gravel resurface Amble Road from Briggs Road to Cannonsville Road - \$8,210
- Gravel resurface Cody Lake Road from South County Line Road to Stanton Road - \$8,210
- Replace existing 73" culvert at Drain #104 on Paepke Road from South County Line Road to Stanton Road - \$8,743
- Spray brush along local roadsides – to be determined - \$2,000

Pierson Township

- Gravel resurface Jones Road from McBride Road to Coral Road - \$6,837
- Gravel resurface McBride Road from Jones Road to Paepke Road - \$6,837
- Gravel resurface, with limestone, Whitefish Road from Stanton Road north to the end - \$20,082
- Provide, by contractor, 100 hours of ditching along local roads – roads to be determined - \$10,000
- Replace existing corrugated metal culvert on McBride Road between Maple Hill Road and Federal Road - \$15,765
- Overband crack seal – locations to be determined - \$8,625
- Wedge/seal Whitefish Road from South County Line Road to Stanton Road - \$31,534
- Limestone resurface Kimball Road east of Daggett Road 0.25 miles – \$15,449

Montcalm Township

- Gravel various roads at Perch Lake - \$2,653
- Gravel resurface various locations in the township - \$14,976

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

WHEREAS, a petition has been filed seeking the abandonment of a portion of the right-of-way of Pearl Drive in Montcalm Township, Montcalm County, Michigan;

WHEREAS, the petition has been duly signed by seven freeholders of Montcalm Township and the petitioners have furnished the required certified, true and correct list of the names and mailing addresses of the occupants of each parcel of land abutting the portion of the road to be abandoned;

WHEREAS, all other requirements of the statute, being MCL §224.18, have been satisfied; and

WHEREAS, the Road Commission finds that abandonment of the portion of the road right-of-way is in the best interest of the public;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved that:

A. The Board of County Road Commissioners of Montcalm County Road Commission determines that it is in the best interest of the public to abandon the portion of the right-of-way of Pearl Drive in Montcalm Township, Montcalm County, Michigan described as follows:

Pearl Drive between Lenore Street and Pine Drive in the Plat of Pearl Beach Turk Lake, Section 9, T10N, R08W, Montcalm County, Michigan.

B. The portion of the right-of-way of Pearl Drive described above in Section A is hereby absolutely abandoned and discontinued; **provided, however, the Board of County Road Commissioners of Montcalm County specifically reserves an easement for public utility purposes within the right-of-way being abandoned and discontinued.**

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

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott to approve the Marlin Electronic Communication Station 36 month contract for the three locations. Roll call: Yes- Brundage, Scott, Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve accepting Heritage Lane in Montcalm Township into our certification system if the road is brought up to the required road commission standards. Roll call: Yes- Brundage, Scott, Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve and sign the Memorandum of Understanding with AFSCME Local 1071.07 extending the current contract from July 1, 2017 thru June 30, 2018, authorizing a two percent wage increase, an increase in the employees contribution to the MERS pension from three and a half percent (3.5%) to four percent (4%) and a \$400 signing bonus per person eligible to be enrolled in the health insurance plan. This will be paid on July 6, 2017. Roll call: Yes-Brundage, Scott, Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott, to approve and sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Road Commission and AFSCME Council 25, Local 1071.07, changing the summer hours from June 5, 2017 through August 31, 2017 to 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott, Linton. Motion carried.

Manager's Report

- First round of chloride began last week and should wrap up by the end of this week
- Fisher started graveling roads this week in Crystal Township
- Culverts are being replace on Sidney Road this week in preparation for paving in June
- The guys have pulled a lot of berms this Spring for paving and chip seal jobs
- Gravels are in good shape for the end of May
- Cato and Ferris are the only two townships yet to send in contracts besides chloride

- Meeting with the Townline Lake Association on Saturday to discuss the process for a potential special assessment district for the roads on the south side of the lake
- Countywide DPW meeting was held here last week – we focused on the mutual aid agreement
- Patching is ongoing and there is still a fair amount to do
- Bought two V-boxes off Rangerbid.com. This will save a decent amount of money when we are ready to build 2 more Peterbilts
- Kent County opened salt bids and the price for next winter will be \$45 per ton which is a substantial savings over the last few years
- Will be on vacation Jun 7th -19th

Engineer's Report

- Preconstruction meeting for the Six Lakes Road Bridge over the Flat River will be held May 25th. The contractor would like to start the project early. (Possibly June 26th)
- MCC connector trail is scheduled to start July 17th
- Crack seal crews are still out working in the county
- Skip patching is complete
- Completed PASER ratings yesterday
- Grade inspection meeting on May 30th for the two fixed object removal federal safety projects

A mid-year budget amendment was presented and explained by Kim. The MTF increase has allowed for some extra work to be done on primary roads and the amended budget reflects these changes along with the normal adjustments after the winter season. Revenues: \$13,488,654.57, Expenses: \$13,459,417.70 with an estimated addition to the fund balance of \$29,236.87. Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve the 2016/2017 budget amendment as presented. Roll call: Yes-Brundage, Scott, Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Brundage seconded by Scott, to approve the May 24, 2017 bills totaling \$421,951.20 and Payroll #11 totaling \$86,962.40. Roll call: Yes-Brundage, Scott, Linton. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Chairman

Clerk