

June 8, 2016

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 June 8, 2016.

Present: Commissioners Dale Linton, 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 Scott seconded by Linton, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Linton, to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2016 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott, seconded by Linton to sign and approve the following township contracts. Motion carried.

Evergreen Township

- Mill, sand subbase, aggregate base and pave 2.5" on Holland Lake Road from Cedar Lake Road to Tow Road - \$9,781
- Seal coat with fog seal Holland Lake Road from Cedar Lake Road to Vickeryville Road - \$18,094

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 Linton. Motion carried. Roll call: Yes – Scott, Linton. Absent – Brundage.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Linton, to cast the Road Commission's vote in the MCRCSIP Board of Directors election for Dorothy Pohl. Roll call: Yes – Scott, Linton. Absent – Brundage. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Linton 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 6, 2016 through September 1, 2016 to 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Roll call: Yes – Scott, Linton. Absent – Brundage. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Linton, to approve a 1.5% raise for salaried employees and a \$400 per enrolled (health insurance) person signing bonus payable on July 6, 2016. (To match the benefit change in the union contract extension.) Roll call: Yes – Scott, Linton. Absent – Brundage. Motion carried.

The July 6, 2016 and July 20, 2016 board meetings are cancelled. The July board meeting will be held on July 13, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

Manager's Report

- Had a foreman's meeting this past Monday. All is running smoothly and sharing employees is going well.
- The first application of chloride is done and the 2nd round will begin next week.
- We are mowing this week. Made some changes to the way it's being done that should make it more efficient.
- We are tentatively planning to begin chip sealing on a limited basis on June 27th. We can pick up the rollers that we are renting the week of June 20th.
- 2 of our employees helped shoulder in Ionia County this week. They are paying wages, fringe benefits and overhead.

Engineer's Report

- CR 510 (Sidney Rd) Bridge over the Flat River in Gowen is complete.
- Garlock Road Bridge over Butternut Creek will begin July 5th.
- Kendaville Road safety upgrade will begin on July 5th.
- Bridge maintenance projects (5 bridges) will begin July 5th.
- Overband crack sealing is 75% complete.
- Lake Montcalm Road and Amble Road are complete.
- Top course will be done on Kendaville Road on Thursday.
- Cedar Lake Road paving will be done today.
- Lake Road and Fenwick Road from Crystal Road to Senator Road will be the next roads paved.
- Wedging should be done this week county wide.

Clerk's Report

- 2015 MERS valuation is in. Financial decisions will have to be made in the near future to step up paying our unfunded pension liability. MERS shows different options on the valuation and we will need to decide what is in the best interest of the road commission. When work starts on the budget I can give more information on our ability to make extra payments.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Linton, to approve the May 4, 2016 bills totaling \$675,618.69 and Payroll #12 totaling \$86,715.24. Roll call: Yes – Scott, Linton. Absent – Brundage. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Chairman

Clerk