

FEBRUARY 18, 2009

The Board of County Road Commissioners for Montcalm County held a meeting at its office located in Stanton, Michigan at 3:00 p.m. on February 18, 2009.

Present: Commissioners Dale Linton and Donald McCracken; Randy Stearns, Managing Director; Mark Christensen, Superintendent; and Karen Swan, Finance Director-Clerk. Absent: Robert Brundage, Commissioner.

Moved by McCracken, seconded by Linton, to approve the minutes of February 4, 2009 as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by McCracken, seconded by Linton, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by McCracken, seconded by Linton, that due to safety concerns at the following locations and a lack of funding to provide needed upgrades and improvements, the Board of County Road Commissioners of Montcalm County hereby requests the Michigan Department of Transportation to provide funds for the following projects under the Federal High Risk Rural Roads Program:

1. Sidney Road at College Drive – Construct passing flare and improve intersection
2. Fitzner Road at Peck Road – Construct passing flare and improve intersection
3. Fitzner Road at Sidney Road – Construct passing flare and improve intersection

The Road Commission for Montcalm County hereby agrees that if any of the above projects are approved for funding, the Road Commission will provide the local match based on ten percent (10%) of the construction cost in addition to the cost of design and construction engineering. Motion carried. Roll call: Yes-McCracken, Linton.

Moved by McCracken, seconded by Linton, that due to safety concerns at the following locations and a lack of funding to provide needed upgrades and improvements, the Board of County Road Commissioners of Montcalm County hereby requests the Michigan Department of Transportation to provide funds for the following projects under the Local Agency Safety Program:

1. Sidney Road at College Drive – Construct passing flare and improve intersection
2. Fitzner Road at Peck Road – Construct passing flare and improve intersection
3. Fitzner Road at Sidney Road – Construct passing flare and improve intersection
4. Guardrail – Upgrade guardrail at miscellaneous locations throughout the county

The Road Commission for Montcalm County hereby agrees that if any of the above projects are approved for funding, the Road Commission will provide the local match based on twenty percent (20%) of the construction cost in addition to the cost of design and construction engineering. Motion carried. Roll call: Yes-McCracken, Linton.

Moved by McCracken, seconded by Linton, to accept Solid Concrete Corporation's offer to extend its 2008 bid for concrete curb and gutter and flatwork to the 2009 construction season. Motion carried. Roll call: Yes-McCracken, Linton.

Manager's Report

- We received a phone call today from Ed Wendover, Representative Huckleberry's Chief of Staff, regarding the stimulus funds. L.S. Engineering is providing them with the list of projects that was sent to CRAM and MDOT back in December along with additional information that Representative Huckleberry has asked for.
- Chrouch Communications has four radios and six antennas to install; should be done next week.
- The Shop's night shift crew started Sunday night.

Superintendent's Report

- All of the gravel resurfacing and salt stabilization estimates are done and will be sent to the townships soon. Paving and sealing estimates will have to wait until we take bids.
- Three days of employee training are scheduled in March.
- Randy, Carol and I will be meeting with City of Greenville officials on Friday to discuss Small Urban road funds for Youngman Road north of M-57.

Moved by McCracken, seconded by Linton, to vote for the following candidates to the County Road Association of Michigan's Board of Directors: Douglas Mills, Baraga CRC; Ronald Young, Alcona CRC; Jon Rice, Kent CRC; and Robert Sawicki, Macomb CRC. Motion carried.

Moved by McCracken, seconded by Linton, to approve the 2/4/09 bills totaling \$337,406.92 and Payroll #3 totaling \$76,432.88. Motion carried. Roll call: Yes-McCracken, Linton.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk