

May 1, 2019

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 1, 2019.

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. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

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

#### Richland Township

- Machine wedge Pine Grove Road at Wolf Creek - \$2,460

#### Ferris Township

- Gravel resurface Douglas Road from Kendaville Road to Lake Montcalm Road - \$14,762
- Brush spray along local roadsides – locations to be determined - \$2,000
- Gravel resurface Klees Road from Douglas Road to East County Line Road - \$14,762
- Gravel resurface Cannonsville Road from Bollinger Road to Douglas Road - \$14,762
- Gravel resurface Cannonsville Road from Crystal Road to Bollinger Road - \$14,762

#### Home Township

- Overband crack seal local roads – locations to be determined - \$8,325
- Wedge and seal Edgar Road from Peoples Road to Wyman Road - \$22,452
- Wedge and seal Deja Road from North County Line Road south .5 mile - \$25,207
- Sealcoat with fog seal Deja Road from M-46 to Edgar Road - \$19,668

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott to support the Richland Township Resolution making Pine Grove Road from Yankee Road to Schmeid Road limited to small vehicle and local truck traffic only. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the 2018-2019 budget amendment as presented. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

#### Manager's Report

- The rain once again is doing us no favors on gravel roads. They are taking a hit and we are going to need to spend some time blading them before chloride is spread.
- A lot of patching needs to be done countywide. We will be able to get hot patch starting Monday.
- Two summer help employees will start Monday and the other two will start when college ends. All four are returning seasonal employees so there won't be a lot of training involved when they start.
- A couple days of limestone and natural aggregate were put down in the last week until the rain stopped us. We will continue when the weather clears.
- Centerline painting will begin next week on primaries. The east side of the county will be done this year. We will continue on the every other year schedule as it seems to be working well for us.
- There will be three trucks for sale on the auction site in June. (Two Peterbilts and one Sterling.)
- Pat M. and I will meet with EMS to make sure the county is still on board with the fuel station. They were last year when we bid the project initially and it was more expensive so we aren't foreseeing a problem with it now with the lesser bid.
- Check out the upgraded website when you get a chance. It was re-done to be more user and mobile friendly

Engineer's Report

- The Wise Road bridge project is progressing. The contractor will be placing the final pour of concrete on the east abutment on Thursday. They have moved the crane to the west side and will begin constructing the cofferdam today. Everything is on schedule with no issues.
- Township contracts continue to come in. There is a good mix of projects.
- Pavement Recycling was here last week to rotomill roads.
- I met with Central Asphalt on Monday to firm up the paving schedule. Their crew will be here on Monday May 13 to begin skip paving and some of the smaller mainline paving.
- The culverts (11) will be delivered to the North County Line Road project on Thursday. The culvert crew will begin placing them next week. The concrete contractor will follow with the curb & gutter.

Clerk's Report

- Our insurance renewal is in and our Priority Health rates are increasing overall 3.03%. The Delta Dental Pediatric dental plan is down .22% and the VSP and Unum are the same. The only change to any of the plans is a new "preferred generic" prescription option which has a lower \$5 co-pay.
- We received the MCRCSIP renewal also. Our auto/liability insurance increased by 2.28% for the year.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott, to approve the April 25, 2019 bills totaling \$388,533.40 and Payroll #9 totaling \$100,530.41. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

The June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting has been changed to June 12<sup>th</sup> and the June 19<sup>th</sup> meeting has been changed to June 26<sup>th</sup>. The time for both meetings will remain 9:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

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Chairman

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Clerk