

4June 23, 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 June 23, 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 presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2021 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

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

Winfield Township

- Seal coat with fog seal Church Road from Amble Road to Krampe Park (0.50mile)
- Gravel resurface with limestone Main and 2nd Streets in Amble (0.36 mile)
- Overlay on Apache Trail from Thunder Bay Drive to Warrior Drive (0.25 mile)
- Overlay on Church Road from Krampe Park to Masters Road (0.60 mile)

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott to grant the variance requested by Aldi Supermarkets and allow for their driveway on Ridgewood Drive to be 178.5 feet from the nearest intersecting road (M-57) rather than the 250 required in the policy. The drive must not be used for commercial traffic.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve a 2.5% wage increase for the administrative employees to match the 2.5% wage increase the union receives on June 28, 2021. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

Manager's Report

- The second round of chloride starts this week and will finish up next week.
- Mowing is being done countywide.
- Chipped last week and will start again after July 4th.
- We will be shouldering new pavement this week and next week.
- Pavement marking crew is in the county this week to finish up centerline painting and township contracts.
- Covid rules were removed yesterday and we are back to normal.
- We will be hosting the July 7 County Council in place of Livingston County. It will be held on July 20th.
- Rob Putnam has started his new position of Utility Foreman and Lane Ledford is the new Sign Crew Leader.
- We will be hiring two new truck drivers. Home and Evergreen Townships are currently posted.

Engineer's Report

- The West County Line bridge project beams were set. The crew is working on forming the deck. They are also working on the Newaygo bridge over the Little Muskegon River.
- County wide paving is 63% complete.
- Skip paving on roads to be chip sealed is complete. The remaining locations are primary roads that have some bad spots.
- Dennis and I have completed PASER Training and will be rating roads in August.

Clerk's Report

- CRASIF is accepting applications/nominations for their board if anyone is interested.
- MCRC SIP Annual Meeting will be held July 21st and 22nd.
- We will be switching back to UNUM for life and disability insurance effective 7/1/21.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott, to approve the June 3, 2021 bills totaling \$833,192.72, the June 17, 2021, bills totaling \$740,106.48, Payroll #11 totaling \$110,145.07 and Payroll #12 totaling \$107,841.18. 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 10:20 a.m.

Chairman

Clerk