

December 5, 2018

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 December 5, 2018.

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 November 14, 2018 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Brundage seconded by Scott to approve Michigan Pavement Marking's bid renewal at last year's rate. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve the 5-Year TIP Plan. Roll call: Brundage-yes, Scott-yes and Linton-yes. Motion carried.

The Board set the Organizational Meeting for January 16, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The board meeting calendar for the rest of the year will be set at this meeting.

Manager's Report

- Worked until dark on gravel roads Monday. We may be able to grade more next week if the weather cooperates.
- We are hosting 7 County Council in January and are in the process of finalizing the details.
- New truck should be ready at Truck & Trailer next week with the other two following closely behind.
- The culvert crew is still out working on drainage issues throughout the county and will continue as weather permits.
- Both Federal Aid Purchase Agreements have been signed. (Kent and Oakland)
- Rural Task Force meeting in Big Rapids on Monday.
- Negotiating Committee meets next Tuesday in Lansing. Afterward will meet with those involved in the potential MDOT expansion.
- Three county chip seal participants met here this week. Next year's plans were discussed.
- We are presenting at the Montcalm Township Association meeting next week. The discussion will be about the value of investment on local roads. Will also discuss potential windmill projects and their impact on local roads.
- List of projects for next year will include projects on North County Line Road, West County Line Road, County Farm Culvert, 522 east of Stanton to the East County Line, culvert on 522 near Jones Road and 15 miles of chip seal. More could be added if the MTF increases or the state decides to make additional funds available for roads.

Engineer's Report

- Been working on township maps and driving all roads to help determine which projects to present at the annual meetings.
- The Wise Road Bridge/Road project will make the January letting. This will allow for a March start date which is necessary for the tree work that goes along with the project.

Clerk's Report

- Sue is currently here and working on the audit. We hope to have it finished up next week.

Moved by Brundage seconded by Scott, to approve the November 21, 2018 bills totaling \$788,300.08, December 5, 2018 bills totaling \$426,617.89, Payroll #24 totaling \$99,155.53 and Payroll #25 totaling \$102,943.71. 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 9:44 a.m.

Chairman

Clerk