

October 26, 2022

The Board of County Road Commissioners of Montcalm County held their regular meeting at its office located in Stanton, Michigan at 9:00 a.m. on October 26, 2022.

Present: Commissioners Dale Linton, Robert Brundage and Michael Scott; also present: Mark Christensen, Managing Director, Pat Denton, Assistant Highway Engineer 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. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2022, meeting as presented. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Bill Kinney from Michigan Chloride was present to answer any questions that the board may have regarding chloride bids.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to purchase \$50 gift cards for all employees for the holidays. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to accept and file the bids for Scraper Blades, Winter Chloride Blend and Alternative Winter De-Ice Blend. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried. The bid for Liquid Chloride – Summer will be awarded at the November meeting after more research is done.

The annual township meetings will be held on December 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

#### Manager's Report

- Fall berm pulling started this week.
- We are blading gravels when weather permits. It was too dry some of last week and now too wet. We should be back out blading this afternoon or tomorrow morning.
- We have a crew working on crack sealing primary roads.
- Joe and I have been working on the new Shop Clerk job description and hope to have it finished up this afternoon. We will post the job internally before looking outside the organization.
- Andrew Petersen, Sidney Township Truck Driver, started last week and Mike Silverthorn, Bushnell Township Truck Driver, started Monday. Approximately 20% of our drivers will be new this winter. They are all good drivers and should adjust well.
- The shop is working on getting winter equipment outfitted and ready to go. We have five trucks done so we are in good shape.
- New employee training by MCRC SIP will take place in Gratiot County next week. We will be sending one Foreman and five truck drivers.
- The new Peterbilt truck came in last Friday. Truck and Trailer are waiting for a few parts before they begin outfitting the truck.
- The December MTA meeting will now be held at the Belvidere Township Hall on December 6<sup>th</sup>. This will allow for a higher turnout. The December meeting is well attended.
- I will be attending the Greater Greenville Transportation Coalition meeting this afternoon followed by the Montcalm Township Supervisor's Meeting.

#### Engineer's Report

- Crack seal contractors have finished for the season.
- We haven't paved since the last meeting but are starting again tomorrow, Friday and Saturday, weather permitting.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott, to approve the October 20, 2022, bills totaling \$800,102.55 and Payroll #21 totaling \$120,101.91. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

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Chairperson

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Clerk