

July 3, 2024

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 July 3, 2024.

Present: Commissioners Dale Linton, Robert Brundage and Michael Scott; also present: Mark Christensen, Manager, Rob Putnam, Assistant Manager/Director of Operations, Pat Denton, Assistant Engineer.

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 June 19, 2024, meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve the constitution and by-law changes proposed by the County Road Association. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Scott to approve the bid from Ryan's Equipment for the purchase of a 70" Rotating Cone Drive Grapple Saw for \$62,500. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve and sign the July 8, 2024, Administrative Wage Schedule. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage to approve and sign contractual changes for Mark Christensen, Pat Denton and Kim Alexander. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Manager's Report

- I will not be joining you for the 7 County Council meeting on July 16. I have a different meeting to attend.
- Chip seal aggregate continues to be a challenge we should have the needed tons for the season by late next week.
- I placed the salt order for next winter this week. The price will be close to last year.
- Nate and I are working on a presentation for the County Board and plan to go later in early August.
- Joe and I met with the Peterbilt truck team this week. The new model will be available to us at the end of the year.
- We purchased a used trailer from Kent County for \$12,000, we had a trailer in the capital plan for 2024.
- I Met with Chris Johnson about the water concern at Peterman Dr. in Crystal this week.
- I will be attending the Pine township meeting on July 8th to explain local road funding.
- Don't forget about the MCRSIP meeting on July 24-25

Assistant Manager's Report

- Trunklines and primary road mowing is done. We are currently working on local roads.
- Crack seal crew is working on M-66 in Barryton. A crew will start back up crack sealing 522 on Monday.
- All newly paved roads have been shouldered.
- Patch crews were busy all week patching before the holiday.
- The second round of brine is completed.
- Culvert and ditching crews have been busy finishing up for paving projects.
- We have been fixing up shoulders issues with the millings we received from the milling project.

Engineering Report

- We have completed 62% of paving projects.
- CR510 (Sidney Road) in Crystal Township is ½ complete. It is scheduled to be completed next Monday.
- The CR595 (Youngman Road) project is complete.

Moved by Scott, seconded by Brundage, to approve the June 27, 2024, bills totaling \$1,251,443.73 and Payroll #13 totaling \$142,133.98. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Chairperson

Clerk