

April 2, 2025

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 April 2, 2025.

Present: Commissioners Dale Linton, Robert Brundage and Michael Scott; also present: Rob Putnam, Manager, Dennis Goodenough, Engineering Tech and Kim Alexander, Finance Director/Clerk.

The Pledge of Allegiance and prayer were given.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Linton to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Linton, seconded by Brundage to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2025, meeting as presented. Motion carried.

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

Ferris Township

- One application chloride @1,650 gpm on local roads - \$12,569.04
- Two applications chloride @1,000 gpm on local roads - \$15,235.20

Home Township

- Three applications chloride @1,650 gpm on local roads - \$26,337.96
- Gravel resurface Edgar Road from Deja Road to Cedar Lake Road - \$21,537
- Gravel resurface Deaner Road from Neff Road to Deja Road = \$21,537
- Overlay Cedar Lake Road from M-46 to Quarterline Street - \$85,440
- Spray brush along local roadsides - \$2,000
- Limestone resurface Third Street, A Street and Fourth Street from end of pavement on Third Street to end of pavement on Fourth Street - \$6,862

Pierson Township

- Three applications chloride @1,650 gpm on local roads - \$30,327.41
- 40 hours ditching along local roads - \$7,518
- Overlay Amy School Road from Kendaville Road to Lake Montcalm Road - \$109,055
- Seal coat with fog seal Long Road from Pine Street to Pierson Road - \$41,573
- Overlay Wood Lake Road from Virginia Creek to Bass Lake Road - \$65,348
- Limestone resurface Kimball Road from east of Bass Lake Road to Federal Road - \$30,543
- Limestone resurface Lake Drive west of Bass Lake Road, north to end - \$9,145

Sidney Township

- Three applications chloride @1,650 gpm on local roads - \$34,468.09
- Seal coat with fog seal Muskrat Road from Ferris Road to Grow Road - \$37,597
- Wedge and seal coat with fog seal Nevins Road from Muskrat Road to Holland Lake Road - \$22,918
- Spray brush along local roadsides – \$2,000
- Gravel resurface Spencer Road and Brown Road from Carlson Road to Stanton Road - \$26,747
- Gravel resurface Carlson Road and Lakeside Drive from White Birch Drive to Stanton Road - \$32,319
- Seal coat with fog seal Nevins Road from Sidney Road to Lakeside Drive - \$37,021
- Seal coat with fog seal Lakeside Drive from Derby Road east to end of pavement - \$13,813
- Seal coat with fog seal Muskrat Road from Grow Road to Derby Road - \$24,627

Pine Township

- Seal coat with fog seal Johnson Road and Hillis Road from Cannonsville Road to Rainbow Lake Drive - \$9,800

Reynolds Township

- Four applications of chloride @1.650 gpm on local roads - \$25,929.75
- Spray brush along local roadsides - \$2,000

- Seal coat with fog seal Maple Hill Road from Lake Montcalm Road to Church Road - \$9,433
- Seal coat with fog seal Almy Road from West County Line Road to Dagget Road - \$28,299
- Seal coat with fog seal Dagget Road from M-82 to Gates Road - \$28,299
- Seal coat with fog seal Almy Road from Amy School Road to Maple Hill Road - \$18,865
- Seal coat with fog seal Yankee Road from Maple Hill Road to Federal Road - \$25,414
- Seal coat with fog seal School Road and Amy School Road from Almy Road to Edgar Road - \$27,896
- Seal coat with fog seal Garbow Road from Almy Road to Edgar Road - \$24,627
- Gravel resurface Cutler Road from end of pavement west of US-131 to Maple Hill Road - \$2,617
- Overlay Cutler Road from Henkel Road to Maple Hill Road - \$41,367

Evergreen Township

- Three applications chloride @ 1,650 gpm on local roads - \$35,345.97
- Seal coat with fog seal Colby Road from Stevenson Road to Townhall Road - \$18,865
- Limestone resurface Cedar Lake Road from Condensery Road to Muskrat Road - \$60,799
- Spray brush along local roadsides - \$2,000

Bushnell Township

- Seal coat with fog seal Townhall Road from Boyer Road to M-57 - \$18,865
- Rescind - replace existing culvert on Stevenson Road at the Barkham and Summers Drain 0.2 miles north of Sessions Road - \$3,147
- Rescind - replace existing culvert on Sessions Road at the Barkham and Summers Drain 200 feet west of Woods Road - \$6,595

Village of Edmore

- Cold mill, asphalt overlay, gravel shoulders and pavement markings on 1st Street from M-46 north to village limits - \$72,280

Day Township

- Three applications of chloride @ 1,650 gpm on local roads - \$26,284.50
- Spray brush along local roadsides - \$2,000
- Gravel resurface Epley Road from Kendaville Road to Lake Montcalm - \$20,797
- Seal coat with fog seal Neff Road from McBride Road to Coral Road - \$10,318
- Gravel resurface Hillis Road from M-66 to Peoples Road - \$23,673
- Seal coat with fog seal Cannonsville Road from Neff Road to Cedar Lake Road - \$49,253
- Gravel resurface Peoples Road from Hillis Road to Cannonsville Road - \$10,398
- Seal coat with fog seal Neff Road from Stanton Road to Briggs Road - \$40,287
- Seal coat with fog seal Cannonsville Road from Wyman Road to Neff Road - \$24,627

Richland Township

- Three applications of chloride @ 1,650 gpm on local roads - \$24,475.77
- Remove and replace the Tamarack Road Bridge over the Pine River under the local bridge program - \$108,363
- Spray brush along local roadsides - \$2,000
- Seal coat with fog seal Douglas Road from Lake Montcalm Road to M-46 - \$37,257
- Seal coat with fog seal Douglas Road from M-46 to Tamarack Road - \$38,142
- Seal coat with fog seal Church Road from Crystal Road to Douglas Road - \$37,116

Manager's Report

- Met again with Samsara regarding the GPS/cameras that we are demoing on our trucks. We should have a resolution in the next couple of meetings with pricing and contracts.
- Had a zoom call with Bill Henn and his colleague this week regarding the Howard City garage cell tower. We are getting close to having a lease agreement to sign.
- We will start pulling berms next week for projects.
- Brush cutting for projects is moving along well. With the help of new equipment, we have cut more trees and brush this year than any year I remember.
- Will be conducting summer help interviews next week. We plan on six for general labor and three for mowing.

- We received an Impress Award at the County Road Association Conference in Lansing last week for our wheeled excavator with the grapple saw.
- The MDOT culvert project on 131 started this week. The road is down to one lane between Sand Lake and Pierson exits.
- We sent three mechanics to Etnyre training last week. Three members of the chip seal crew will be going this week. We have two days of chainsaw safety training next week.

Engineering Report

- Township contracts are flowing in. We have six townships remaining that have not sent in their contracts.
- The bridge bundling application has been sent in.
- The Tamarack Road Bridge letting will be in June so the project will start this fiscal year.

Clerk's Report

- Lew Bender training will be on April 22nd at the Eureka Township Hall. This is for all administrative employees with the board joining at noon.

Moved by Linton, seconded by Brundage, to approve April 3, 2025, bills totaling \$959,190.45 and Payroll #7 totaling \$166,582.26. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

With no further business coming before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

Chairperson

Clerk