

March 10, 2026

The Board of County Road Commissioners of Montcalm County held their regular meeting at its office located in Stanton, Michigan at 8:30 a.m. on March 10, 2026.

Present: Commissioners Dale Linton, Robert Brundage and Michael Scott; also present: Rob Putnam, Manager, Pat Denton, Assistant Engineer 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 February 11, 2026, meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Feenstra & Associates and Sable Homes presented the Dagget Flats Estates Final Plat.

Commissioner Linton offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Road Commission for Montcalm County has accepted the Plat of Dagget Flats Estates, Section 32, T11N, R10W, Pierson Township, Montcalm County, Michigan, which includes 66-foot-wide public rights-of-way for Flat Rock Drive and Round Boulder Drive; and

WHEREAS, Flat Rock Drive and Round Boulder Drive have been constructed in accordance with the Road Commission's standards,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Road Commission for Montcalm County hereby requests the addition of the above-listed roads to the Local Road System;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Flat Rock Drive and Round Boulder Drive will add an additional 0.38 miles to the Local Road System

Supported by Commissioner Brundage.

Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Motion by Linton, seconded by Brundage to approve the purchase of a used John Deere motor grader and extended warranty from RDO Equipment for \$258,000.00. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Linton to accept and file bids for corrugated plastic culverts, corrugated metal culverts, countywide guardrail and Berridge Road tree removal. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

Manager's Report

- We have been cutting brush and trees for the last couple of weeks in preparation for upcoming summer projects.
- The frost is out of the ground and pothole patching and blading have also started.
- All chip seal stone has been delivered for summer projects.
- We received a safety grant from MIOSHA for radios for Greenville garage. The grant was \$5,000, which is half the cost.
- Meeting with DTE next week to look at Condensery Road damage due to the solar project.
- Met with Michigan Chloride to check the accuracy of the maps they will use for chloride. We believe they are now accurate.
- The Engineer Tech position will be posted next week internally.
- Kim and I met with Bill Henn and Andrew Cascini regarding updating our policies and procedures.
- Will be traveling and at the work truck show with Joe tomorrow and Thursday.

Engineering Report

- We are working on township contracts. We should have them all out this week for March meetings.

- Attended MDOT meetings on the two bridge decks over US-131 for this summer. They will both have detours.

Clerk's Report

- Met with Warren Creamer regarding financing. He feels our best bet will be to put it out to bid rather than go through the USDA. He is working on an engagement letter for his services.
- Met with Sarah Hall from the Griswold Group. Rates will be available April 1st, and she will be looking into three plans for large groups and getting the rates to us as soon as they are out.
- The last retiree on the John Hancock plan has passed away. We are expecting a check for \$177,987.43 and would like to put this toward our OPEB liability. We will deposit into our MERS surplus account and adjust our extra MERS payment until we reach that amount.

Moved by Brundage, seconded by Linton to approve February 19, 2026, bills totaling \$455,576.00, March 5, 2026, bills totaling \$430,854.90, Payroll #4 totaling \$152,510.77, and Payroll #5 totaling \$149,367.95. Roll call: Yes – Brundage, Scott and Linton. Motion carried.

With no further business coming before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:06 a.m.

Chairperson

Clerk