

EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
MARCH 13, 2018

A regular meeting of the Eaton County Board of Road Commissioners was held at their office in Charlotte, Michigan on March 13, 2018.

Members Present: Commissioners Eldred, Lamoreaux, Frazier, Lyons, Maxwell

Members Absent: none

Chair Eldred called the meeting to order at 8:35 am.

Moved by Lamoreaux, second by Frazier, that the agenda be approved as printed. Motion carried.

Moved by Frazier, second by Lyons, that the minutes of February 27, 2018 be approved as printed. Motion carried.

There was no public comment.

Moved by Lamoreaux, second by Maxwell, that Accounts Payable (VO#37) of 03-01-18 in the amount of \$126,097.91, Payroll (VO#38) of 03-05-18 in the amount of \$88,167.72, and Accounts Payable (VO#39) of 03-08-18 in the amount of \$51,015.12, for total expenditures of \$265,280.75 be approved. There was discussion.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Lamoreaux, Frazier, Lyons, Maxwell; Nays: None. Motion carried.

Jeff Fineis, Partner, and Jamie Rabe, Senior Manager, with Andrews Hooper & Pavlik PLC presented the results of the independent financial statement audit for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017 noting that the statements received a clean, unmodified opinion.

Moved by Lamoreaux, second by Frazier to accept the Report of the Independent Auditors for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017.

Assistant County Engineer Hannahs discussed the annual road certification maps, and recommended the Board approve the maps and authorize the Chair to sign them.

Moved by Maxwell, second by Lamoreaux to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that all of the roads on which lengths have been entered along the road bands of the attached township and enlarged section maps dated December 31, 2017 are normally open to automobile traffic during the months of May through October and under the jurisdiction of the Eaton County Road Commission; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chair, namely Duane A. Eldred, is authorized to sign the certification maps.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Lamoreaux, Frazier, Lyons, Maxwell; Nays: None. Motion carried.

Engineer-Manager Ballou presented a Township Request and Agreement from Delta Township to construct bicycle lanes along Old Lansing Road between Lansing Road and Waverly Road, together with all necessary related work, at a total estimated cost of \$784,500. The estimated Federal and/or State share of those costs is \$520,000, for a net estimated cost to Delta Township of \$264,500. There was discussion.

Moved by Lyons, second by Maxwell that the Township Request and Agreement with Delta Township for bicycle lanes along Old Lansing Road be approved and signed. Motion carried.

There was additional discussion regarding the bicycle lane project on Old Lansing Road.

Moved by Lamoreaux, second by Maxwell to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Old Lansing Road Bicycle Lanes are scheduled to be constructed during the summer of 2018; and,

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Road Commission has secured Michigan Department of Transportation Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant funding to construct the bicycle lanes; and,

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Road Commission will provide matching funds to move forward and commits the funds necessary to carry out the project through Delta Township. The commitment includes, but is not limited to, matching funds, engineering for design and construction, permit fees, administration costs, and any cost overruns; and,

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Road Commission commits to owning, operating, and implementing a maintenance program over the design life of the bicycle lanes constructed with TAP funding as well as providing all necessary matching funds to construct the bicycle lanes from Lansing Road to Waverly Road; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Road Commission authorizes Mathew Hannahs, Assistant County Engineer, to request TAP funding and act as the agent during project development; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Road Commission authorizes the Board Chair to sign a project agreement upon receipt of the funding award and commits to the availability of the funds necessary to carry out the project.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Lamoreaux, Frazier, Lyons, Maxwell; Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mr. Ballou reviewed the Local Road Heavy Maintenance Program, or "Township Match Program," and recommended the Board approve the program at the same funding level for the 2017-2018 year, noting that the funding is currently included in the budget. There was discussion.

Moved by Lyons, second by Lamoreaux to adopt the 2017-2018 Township Match Program as recommended by staff. Motion carried.

Mr. Ballou distributed a map of proposed primary road resurfacing projects for 2018. There was discussion.

Mr. Hannahs discussed options for applications for 2021 critical bridge funding. There was discussion.

Commissioner Maxwell excused herself from the meeting.

Mr. Hannahs reported on the status of road projects. There was discussion.

Mr. Parshall reported on the activities of the road crews. There was discussion.

Correspondence from Ryleigh Whipple, 9621 Harris Road, requesting the installation of a "Deaf Child" sign, was reviewed.

Correspondence from Tom Howard, 2440 Packard Hwy, regarding visibility at the intersection of Benton Road and Mt. Hope Hwy, was reviewed.

There was no public comment.

Mr. Ballou reported that he was scheduled to provide an update to the Eaton County Public Works & Planning Committee on March 14, and that his report to the full County Board of Commissioners had been delayed until April 18.

Chair Eldred adjourned the meeting at 10:15 am without objection. Motion carried.