

EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

December 8, 2020

A regular meeting of the Eaton County Board of Road Commissioners was held by video conferencing, Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act and Senate Bill 1108, on December 8, 2020.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lyons at 8:34 a.m.

Members present: Commissioners Lyons, Lamoreaux, Frazier

Members absent: Commissioners Eldred and Aitch-Guerrant

Others present: Blair Ballou, Engineer/Manager; Matt Hannahs, Assistant County Engineer; Jeremiah Nelson, Acting Superintendent and Patty Loosemore, Finance Director

Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Frazier that the agenda be approved with the following additions d.) Consider extension of emulsion bid with Bit Mat Products, e.) Consider approval of Winter Maintenance Contract with Burkett Excavating. F.) Consider approval of purchase of two chassis. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lyons, Lamoreaux and Frazier; Nays: None; Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Eldred. Motion carried.

The Chairman asked if the minutes of the November 24, 2020 meeting were correct as presented. Motion by Frazier and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve the November 24, 2020 meeting minutes with the following correction, Frazier abstained from roll call vote on approval of expenditures. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lyons, Lamoreaux and Frazier; Nays: None; Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Eldred. Motion carried.

Public comment: None

The following vouchers were presented:

a.)	VO# 17 (11/25/20)	Accounts Payable	\$ 402,452.72
b.)	VO# 18 (12/03/20)	Accounts Payable	\$ 93,990.55

Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Frazier that the vouchers with total expenditures of \$496,443.27 be approved. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lyons, Lamoreaux and Frazier; Nays: None; Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Eldred. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed a resolution of Appreciation to the employees of the Eaton County Road Commission.

A motion was made by Timothy J. Lamoreaux to adopt the following resolution:

**Resolution of Thanks and Appreciation to the Employees of the Eaton County
Road Commission**

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020 the Governor of Michigan declared a state of emergency in response to the COVID 19 pandemic and

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WHEREAS, the Employees of the Eaton County Road Commission are considered essential infrastructure workers during this pandemic and

WHEREAS, the Board of Eaton County Road Commissioners wishes to praise the Employees of the Road Commission for their hard work, dedication and flexibility,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Eaton County Road Commissioners expresses to the employees their thanks and recognition for all the extra effort put forth over these past months,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Eaton County Board of Road Commissioners resolves to distribute to each employee a COVID-19 gift card for fifty dollars as a token of appreciation.

The motion was seconded by Jerry L. Frazier and carried on a roll call vote.

Roll Call: Ayes: Commissioner Benjamin S. Lyons, Chair
 Commissioner Timothy J. Lamoreaux, Vice-Chair
 Commissioner Jerry L. Frazier, Member
 Nays: None
 Absent: Commissioner Duane A. Eldred, Member
 Commissioner Lauren K. Aitch-Guerrant, Member

The Board discussed the regular board meeting scheduled for December 22, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Frazier to cancel the regular board meeting scheduled for December 22, 2020. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lyons, Lamoreaux and Frazier; Nays: None; Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Eldred. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the preliminary projects for the 2021 Millage Program Projects as presented by the Engineer/Manager and the Assistant County Engineer. Motion by Frazier and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve the preliminary projects for the 2021 Millage Program as presented and authorize staff to send the preliminary list to each township Board for review. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lyons, Lamoreaux and Frazier; Nays: None; Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Eldred. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the extension of the asphalt emulsion bid prices with Bit Mat Products of Michigan for 2021 as presented by the Engineer/Manager. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Frazier to approve the extension of the asphalt emulsion bid prices with Bit Mat Products of Michigan for 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lyons, Lamoreaux and Frazier; Nays: None; Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Eldred. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the 2020-2023 Winter Maintenance Services Contract with Burkett Excavating. Motion by Frazier and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve the 2020-2023 Winter Maintenance Services Contract with Burkett Excavating. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lyons, Lamoreaux and Frazier; Nays: None; Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Eldred. Motion carried.

The Assistant County Engineer updated the Board on work being done by the engineering staff. He provided information on future projects.

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The Acting Superintendent updated the Board on maintenance activities being performed throughout the county.

The Engineer/Manager updated the Board on salt and sand deliveries. No new developments with the Security audit. State extended purchasing is taking longer than anticipated. He would like the Board to approve the ordering the two chassis included in the 2021 budget so that they may get them ordered now.

The Board reviewed and discussed the purchase of two chassis as presented by the Engineer/Manager. Motion by Frazier and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve the ordering of two chassis, that are a part of the 2021 budget for an amount of \$113,700 each. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lyons, Lamoreaux and Frazier; Nays: None; Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Eldred. Motion carried.

The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 8:30 a.m.

Motion by Frazier and seconded by Lamoreaux to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 a.m. Motion carried.

Benjamin S. Lyons, Chairman

Patricia M. Loosemore, Clerk to the Board