

EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

February 8, 2022

A regular meeting of the Eaton County Board of Road Commissioners was held in the Board Room at the Road Commission offices in Charlotte, Michigan on February 8, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Eldred at 8:30 a.m.

Members present: Commissioners Lyons, Lamoreaux, Frazier, Aitch-Guerrant and Eldred

Members absent: None

Others present: Blair Ballou, Engineer/Manager; Jeremiah Nelson, Superintendent; Louanna Lawson, Finance Director; Natalie Petermann, Accounting Technician; and Ron Clark, ET Mackenzie Company.

Absent: Matt Hannahs, Assistant County Engineer.

Motion by Lyons and seconded by Lamoreaux that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

The Chairman asked if the minutes of the January 25, 2022 meeting were correct as presented. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Eldred to approve the January 25, 2022 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public comment: None

The following vouchers were presented:

a.)	VO 32 (01/31/22)	Accounts Payable	\$ 40,325.08
b.)	VO 33 (02/03/22)	Payroll	\$ 100,579.53

Motion by Lyons and seconded by Frazier that the vouchers with total expenditures of \$140,904.61 be approved. There was discussion.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Lyons, Lamoreaux, Eldred, Frazier and Aitch-Guerrant; Nays: None. Motion carried.

Matt Hannahs, Assistant County Engineer reviewed the proposals received for the Butterfield Hwy. Culvert Materials and Blair Ballou, Engineer/Manager recommended the Board award the bid to the lowest cost proposal from St. Regis. There was discussion. Moved by Lyons and seconded by Frazier that the proposal from St. Regis for the Butterfield Hwy. Culvert Materials be approved. Motion carried.

Blair Ballou, Engineer/Manager presented and recommended approval of preliminary plat for Wind Trace No. 3. There was discussion. Moved by Lyons and seconded by Lamoreaux that the preliminary plat for Wind Trace No. 3 be approved. Motion carried.

Blair Ballou, Engineer/Manager presented and recommended approval of the revised Local Road Heavy Maintenance Program which is to be presented at the Annual Township Meeting on February 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Frazier motioned and Lyons seconded that the revised Local Road Heavy Maintenance Program be approved. Motion carried.

The Superintendent updated the Board on the Security system installation progress and further security issues being resolved.

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The Assistant County Engineer was absent, there was not an update.

The Superintendent updated the Board on the recent winter storm and cleanup efforts. Commissioner Aitch-Guerrant suggested an info graphic for Facebook and/or newspaper as a proactive measure for these types of issues. There was discussion on resident calls to the Road Commission and the Board members. Superintendent also updated on regular winter maintenance activities.

The Engineer/Manager updated the Board on communication with the Carmel Township Manager with no response yet. The annual reports are under way (Supplemental Annual Report and Local Road Millage Program Report, Matt is helping with some of the details and review of information. Several bids have been put out (asphalt emulsion, culverts, seal coat aggregates, and lawn care).

Jeremiah Nelson, Superintendent presented details on new purchase of wheeled excavator. Explanation was provided for the request to approve the higher cost estimate from CAT. There was discussion. Lyons motioned and Frazier seconded the approval to move forward with the purchase of the wheeled excavator from CAT. Motion carried.

Correspondence from a resident was reviewed and discussed.

Ron Clark, ET Mackenzie Company commented on subdivision regulations for plat design and construction. There was discussion.

The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, February 22, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Frazier and seconded by Lyons to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 a.m. Motion carried.

Duane A. Eldred, Chairman

Louanna L. Lawson, Clerk to the Board