

EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

November 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 November 8, 2022.

Members present: Commissioners Eldred, Frazier, Lyons, and Lamoreaux.

Members absent: Aitch-Guerrant

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Eldred at 8:31 a.m.

The Chairman inquired if there were additions or deletions to the agenda. The following items were requested as additions: None. Moved by Lyons and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

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

Public comment: None

The following vouchers were presented:

a.	VO 5	(10/25/22)	Payroll	\$ 100,008.84
b.	VO 6	(10/27/22)	Accounts Payable	\$ 598,628.65
c.	VO 7	(11/07/22)	Accounts Payable	\$ 77,361.50

There was discussion. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Frazier to approve vouchers 5-7 with total expenditures of \$775,998.99. Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Lamoreaux, Frazier, and Lyons. Nays: None. Absent: Aitch. Motion carried.

A presentation was made on the Retiree Healthcare Proposal by Sam Molnar (Health Insurance Services). The retiree healthcare is provided to us as group plan through Burnham & Flower Insurance Group (representative: Jack Schmitz).

The Engineer/Manager requested the Board to consider the Retiree Healthcare Proposal which changes the medical coverage carrier from American to Humana (group advantage plan) and recommended the Board authorize the Chair to sign. Moved by Frazier, seconded by Lamoreaux to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the group application for retiree health insurance be completed by the Eaton County Road Commission for:

Retiree Health Insurance carrier be changed to Humana, with this solution provided by Health Insurance Services and coordinated through Benistar, Group Retiree Health Solutions.

Be approved and that the Chair, namely Duane A. Eldred, be duly authorized to sign the application.

Motion carried.

The Engineer/Manager requested the Board discuss dates for the Traffic Summit held by the Michigan Department of Transportation. Discussion was had. The Engineer/Manager volunteered to invite townships and drain commission. He invited all board members to attend also.

The Superintendent reported there is not an update on the Security Audit and System. He indicated there continues to be outstanding issues. The front lobby access has not been completed; the Vermontville monitors are down (internet is fine). Training has not been provided and there are still issues with broken card readers. There was discussion. It was suggested the Superintendent call IT Right to ensure there is not a virus on the computer(s) causing the issue. Also, might be a good idea to reach out to previous bidder on what they may be able to do to assist if not resolved.

The Superintendent gave an update on crews and work being done on roads such as, hot mastic, cold patching, etc. He has received a thank you call for fixes done on driveway to roadway. There will be a couple of mechanic interviews next week and has hired a couple of temporary employees for plowing.

The Engineer/Manager provided an update on the following items:

- He reported the Royston Road culvert has been finally approved. The hope is to get a permit from EGLE soon.
- He updated the Board on the Marketplace Boulevard project. It has not been completed yet, the contractor is reporting there is a concrete shortage.
- He reported the Webster Bridge has been selected for the 2026, single bridge project. The University Region is providing a match along with the township and Eaton County Road Commission.
- He reported that Lauren Doerrs is doing a great job, she identifies what responsibility is hers compared to the Engineer/Manager and is asking questions to ensure she handles the necessary work.
- He provided maps for review to discuss at the next regular scheduled Board meeting. There was discussion on length of years the millage has left. Discussion was had on what items need to be completed over the next few years. The Engineer/Manager is thinking about long-term perspective on what projects are needed. He is still working on the asset management plan.
- There was discussion on what is road maintenance compared to road building and what is the Road Commission's responsibility. The commissioners requested to have some details provided.

Correspondence: Several 'Thank You' notes came in via mail and phone.

Public comment: None

Other items to note:

- The 2022 Audit Engagement letter of Notice was received. The audit will begin late November 2022 and complete no later than February 2023. The auditors will be on site, November 29, 2022, at the Eaton County Road Commission.
- The 8th Annual Legal Issues Symposium & Will Work for Local Funding \$\$ will be held December 6, 2022, in Mt. Pleasant. There was some discussion on the millage needing to be renewed in the next couple of years. It was requested to let the Director of Finance know who would like to attend so registration can be completed.

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Commissioner Comment: None

Moved by Frazier that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Lamoreaux. Motion carried.

Board meeting was adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

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

Duane A. Eldred, Chairman

Louanna L. Lawson, Clerk to the Board