

EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

March 12, 2024

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 March 12, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.

Members present: Commissioners Eldred, Lamoreaux, Barber and Lyons

Members absent: Aitch-Guerrant

Others present: Mathew Hannahs, Engineer-Manager; Patricia Loosemore, Finance Director and Jeremiah Nelson, Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by Chair Eldred at 8:30 am

The Chair inquired if there were additions or deletions to the agenda. The Engineer-Manager asked that 6.j. Award of lawn care be postponed until the next meeting. Motion by Barber and seconded by Lyons to approve the agenda with the change. Motion carried.

The Chair asked if the minutes of the February 27, 2024, meeting were correct as presented. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve the February 27, 2024, meeting minutes as presented.: Motion carried.

Public comment: None

The following vouchers were presented:

a.	VO 34 (02/29/24)	Payroll	\$ 101,189.38
b.	VO 35 (02/29/24)	Accounts Payable	164,271.53
c.	VO 36 (02/29/24)	Accounts Payable	18.05
d.	VO 37 (03/10/24)	Accounts Payable	842,659.95
e.	VO 38 (03/07/24)	Accounts Payable	58,674.25

Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Barber to approve Vouchers 34,35,36,37, and 38 with total expenditures of \$1,166,813.16. Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Barber, Lamoreaux, and Lyons. Nays: None. Absent: Aitch-Guerrant. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the 2023 ACT 51 certification maps as presented by the Engineer-Manager, there were no additions or subtractions for the year 2023. The Engineer-Manager recommends that the maps be approved, and the Chair be authorized to sign.

Commissioner Benjamin S. Lyons moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, during calendar year 2023, there were no additions or deletions to the Annual Act 51 Certified mileage under the jurisdiction of the Eaton County Road Commission,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Road Commission certifies that all of the roads on which lengths have been entered along the road bands of the attached township and enlarge

section maps are normally open to automobile traffic during the months of May through October and are under the jurisdiction of the Eaton County Road Commission, and

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

The motion was Seconded by Commissioner Keith A. Barber.

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

The Board reviewed and discussed the legal system change for Davis Highway, Delta Township from Nixon Road to Guinea Road, 1.01, miles, as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Barber to approve the submission of a request for change in county primary road system as presented. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the request for a public hearing for the Davis Highway from Nixon Road to Guinea Road in Delta Charter Township and Windsor Charter Township. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Barber to schedule a public hearing to discuss the proposed improvements and hear comments for the Davis Highway from Nixon Road to Guinea Road in Delta Charter Township and Windsor Charter Township on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at 7:00 pm. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Engineering Technician wage change authorization as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve the Engineering Technician wage change authorization as presented. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed sending letters of support to area Senators for the County Drain Project as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Barber and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve sending of letters to area Senators in support of the County Drain Project. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the bid tabulation for the 2024 asphalt emulsion as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Lamoreaux to award the 2024 asphalt emulsion contract to the lowest bidder in each category and allow use of second lowest bidder if there are issues with materials from the lowest bidder. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the bid tabulation for the 2024 sand for ice control as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Lyons to award the 2024 sand for ice control contract to Holcim (Aggregate Industries), being the low bidder. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the bid tabulation for the 2024 road and sealcoat aggregates as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Lamoreaux to award the 2024 road and sealcoat aggregates contract to Yellow Rose Transport, being the low bidder. As an alternative 34CS-M from Carr Brothers & Sons, Inc. may be used if it meets specifications. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the bid tabulation for the 2024 asphalt patching materials as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Barber to award the 2024 asphalt patching material to Lakeland Asphalt Corporation, being the low bidder. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the bid tabulation for the 2024 roadside mowing as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Barber and seconded by Lyons to award the 2024 roadside mowing to Wolf Creek Landscape Services LLC, being the low bidder. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the bid tabulation for the Royston Rd culvert materials as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Lamoreaux to award the Royston Rd culvert materials to St Regis, being the low bidder. Motion carried.

The Board clarified the new Health Insurance waiting period is to include all groups of active employees listed under BC/BS.

The Engineer-Manager updated the Board on Maintenance Activities:

- Dura patching and cold patching is going well.
- Culvert installations for projects
- Gravel Road Maintenance
- A rototiller is currently on the back of the rental tractor, it will also fit onto our mower tractors.

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

- Henn Lesperance PLC has been hired as the Road Commission Labor Attorneys.
- Public Works and Planning meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, 2024
- Kyle Butterworth has installed a driveway where it was denied by the Board on Curtis Rd, Engineer-Manager will issue an encroachment letter and order the removal of the driveway.

Correspondence: MCRCSIP Election Memo

Public comment: None

Commissioner Comments:

- Commissioner Barber spoke of a presentation he went to regarding Apple Pro Goggles and their usefulness in measuring inventory, etc.
- Commissioner Eldred spoke of the three township meetings he had recently attended.
- Commissioner Lyons asked about an accident study being conducted on Canal and Island.

The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Lyons and seconded by Lamoreaux to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 a.m. Motion carried.

Duane A. Eldred, Chairman

Patricia M. Loosemore, Clerk to the Board