

EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

March 26, 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 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Commissioners Eldred, Lamoreaux, Barber and Lyons

Members absent: Aitch-Guerrant

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

The meeting was called to order by Chair Eldred at 6:00 p.m.

The Chair inquired if there were additions or deletions to the agenda. The Engineer-Manager asked that Consider Plat Waiver be added. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Barber to approve the agenda with the addition. Motion carried.

The Chair asked if the minutes of the March 12, 2024, meeting were correct as presented. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Barber to approve the March 12, 2024, meeting minutes as presented.: Motion carried.

Public comment: Jake Lesmeister, resident of Winding Way asked questions and voiced concerns regarding the 2024 road work to be done on Winding Way, within the subdivision.

The following vouchers were presented:

a.	VO 39 (03/14/24)	Payroll	\$ 102,006.14
b.	VO 40 (03/14/24)	Accounts Payable	40,539.05
c.	VO 41 (03/22/24)	Accounts Payable	238,047.38
d.	VO 42 (03/26/24)	Accounts Payable	94,910.81

Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Barber to approve Vouchers 39, 40,41, and 42 with total expenditures of \$475,503.38. Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Barber, Lamoreaux, and Lyons. Nays: None. Absent: Aitch-Guerrant. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the bid tabulation for the 2024 HMA Resurfacing Contract A as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Barber to award the 2024 HMA Resurfacing Contract A to Lakeland Asphalt being the low bidder. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the roof replacement contract with Weather Shield as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Lyons to approve the roof replacement contract with Weather Shield. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the 2027 Local Bridge Applications as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Benjamin S. Lyons to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, this Board of Eaton County Road Commissioners has been advised that there are bridges in Eaton County in need of repairs that are eligible for Federal and State Funds through the Local Bridge Program, and

WHEREAS, three of those bridges are as follows:

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Bridge (Bridge No.)</u>	<u>Crossing</u>	<u>Treatment</u>	<u>Twp</u>
1	Vermontville Hwy (2345)	Little Thornapple River	Replacement	Chester
2	Marshall Rd (2364)	Big Creek	Rehabilitation.	Walton
3	Stine Rd (2432)	Battle Creek River	Replacement	Walton

WHEREAS, closure of these bridges would cause significant problems and delays to the traveling public, agriculture, and other commercial traffic in these parts of Eaton County, and

WHEREAS, there are local bridge funds available through the Michigan Department of Transportation to perform preventative maintenance, rehabilitation, and replacement on structures such as these, and

WHEREAS; this Board has considered the applications for Local Bridge Program Funds and authorizes the submission of the applications for Local Bridge Program Funds for Fiscal Year 2027 for those bridges listed in this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Eaton does request affirmative consideration of our application for Local Bridge Program Funds and agrees to provide the necessary local funds for these projects if awarded.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Keith A. Barber and carried on a roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioner Duane A. Eldred

Commissioner Timothy J. Lamoreaux

Commissioner Keith A. Barber

Commissioner Benjamin S. Lyons

Nays: None

Absent: Commissioner Lauren K. Aitch-Guerrant

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

The Board reviewed and discussed the roadside mowing contract with Wolf Creek Landscape Services as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Barber to approve the contract with Wolf Creek Landscape Services. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the curb and street sweeping contract with SCA of MI as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Barber to approve the contract with SCA of MI. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Plat waiver for Westland Park as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lyons and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve moving forward with the Plat Waiver for Westland Park. Motion carried.

The Superintendent updated the Board on Maintenance Activities:

- Dura patching and cold patching is going on throughout the county.
- Culvert installations for projects
- Gravel Road Maintenance
- Millage regravels began early due to the nice weather

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

- Hired 3 interns for the Engineering Department
- Have an applicant for the Assistant County Engineer position.
- Shared information regarding a request for a sign on Gresham Road

Correspondence: Seven County Council Meeting Notice for April 16, 2024

Public comment: None

Commissioner Comments:

- Commissioner Lyons asked if we have received information from the wage study being done in Clinton and Montcalm counties.

The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.

Motion by Barber and seconded by Lyons to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m. Motion carried.

Duane A. Eldred, Chairman

Patricia M. Loosemore, Clerk to the Board