

EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

August 13, 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 August 13, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.

Members present: Commissioners Eldred, Lamoreaux, Barber and Aitch-Guerrant

Members absent: Lyons

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

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

The Chair inquired if there were additions or deletions to the agenda. There was one deletion to the agenda, remove 6.b. Consider the final plat of Wind Trace No. 4. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Barber to approve the agenda with the removal of 6.b. Motion carried.

The Chair asked if the minutes of the July 23, 2024, regular meeting were correct as presented. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Barber to approve the July 23, 2024, meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public comment: Clark Halleburger of Dimondale spoke regarding a berm in his yard, the finishing of his driveway after road work and a concerning curb on Gunnell Road.

The following vouchers were presented:

a.	VO 66 (08/01/24)	Payroll	\$	117,877.21
b.	VO 67 (08/01/24)	Accounts Payable	\$	20,000.00
c.	VO 68 (08/01/24)	Accounts Payable	\$	207,838.20
d.	VO 69 (08/08/24)	Accounts Payable	\$	769,219.80
e.	VO 70 (08/12/24)	Payroll	\$	115,418.74

Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Barber to approve Vouchers 66, 67, 68, 69 and 70 with total expenditures of \$1,230,354.45. Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Barber, Lamoreaux, Aitch-Guerrant. Nays: None. Absent: Lyons. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the ballot and candidates for the County Road Association Self-Insurance Fund (CRASIF) Board of Trustees. Motion by Eldred and seconded by Lamoreaux to cast ballots for the incumbents Jesse Cambell-Alcona, Darrell Cass-Menominee and Lisa Kleeman-Emmet for the CRASIF Board of Trustees. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed a crash history report for particular intersections in Eaton County as prepared by the Engineer-Manger.

The Superintendent updated the Board on Maintenance Activities:

- Dust control has begun its 2nd round. Four townships have been completed.

- Crews have been blading gravels and fixing washouts
- Crush and shape on Round Lake Rd and Strange Highway is nearing completion.
- Summer help has been working on over band and crack seal
- Brush cutting for clear vision is being done.
- Rooftop HVAC units have been installed.
- Roadside mowing is being done.
- Bridge maintenance projects are being done.

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

- Public Works and planning meeting tomorrow
- Scheduling a meeting with an answering service
- HR Firm has contacted 200 Engineers regarding the Assistant County Engineer position and there is no interest. The wage is not the issue.
- Royston Rd project should be paving in a few weeks.
- Nixon Rd and Smithville Bridge project should be paving in a few weeks too.
- Davis Hwy construction project has started
- Five Point Hwy, Creepy Swamp is in the design phase with SME.

The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Barber and seconded by Lamoreaux to adjourn the meeting at 9:19 a.m. Motion carried.

Duane A. Eldred, Chairman

Patricia M. Loosemore, Clerk to the Board