

EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

October 22, 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 October 22, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Commissioners Eldred, Lamoreaux and Barber

Members absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Lyons

Others present: Mathew Hannahs, Engineer-Manager; Patricia Loosemore, Finance Director; Natalie Petermann, and Peter Johnson

The meeting was called to order by Chair Eldred at 6:01 p.m.

The Chair inquired if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. There were no additions or deletions to the agenda. Motion by Barber and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

The Chair asked if the minutes of October 8, 2024, regular meeting were correct as presented. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Barber to approve October 8, 2024, meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Peter Johnson of Canyon Rd spoke regarding a permit he applied for to clean the ditch in front of his home that was denied. He asked for assistance from the Road Commission to ditch the portion of road that is causing drainage issues. The Engineer-Manager said this issue is currently being reviewed and he will get back to him.

The following vouchers were presented:

a.	VO 01	(10/10/24)	Payroll	\$ 99,639.37
b.	VO 02	(10/09/24)	Accounts Payable	\$ 2,138,062.72
c.	VO 03	(10/10/24)	Payroll	\$ 225.90
d.	VO 04	(10/10/24)	Accounts Payable	\$ 181,477.37
e.	VO 05	(10/16/24)	Accounts Payable	\$ 595,322.10
f.	VO 06	(10/24/24)	Payroll	\$ 100,191.59

Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Barber to approve Vouchers 1,2,3,4,5, and 6 with total expenditures of \$3,114,919.05. Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Barber, Lamoreaux. Nays: None. Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Lyons. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the permit application for automatic license plate readers as presented by the Engineer -Manager. The Engineer-Manager explained that the current permit application will be denied because it is being applied for by a private contractor. The Board asked the Engineer-Manager to ask a Charlotte Police Department representative to attend the next Board meeting to explain the automatic license plate readers.

The Board reviewed and discussed the terms of the agreement reached with the bargaining unit as presented by the Engineer/Manager with a recommendation that the Board approve the new contract, noting that the bargaining unit has ratified the new contract. Motion by Barber and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Eaton County Road Commission and the Technical, Professional and Office workers Association of Michigan (TPOAM), Eaton County Road Commission Employees Association (ECRCEA) and authorize the Chair and clerk to sign the contract. Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Barber, Lamoreaux. Nays: None. Absent: Aitch-Guerrant and Lyons. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the holiday Christmas breakfast and employee gift as presented by the Engineer-Manager. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Barber to approve an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for the Christmas breakfast and to approve a gift amount of \$100 per employee. Motion carried.

Old business of the Eaton CRC Wrap Plan Resolution is still pending and will be reviewed at a future meeting.

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

- Continuing to gather information on intersection safety
- CNN will be working on the Creyts Rd RR Crossing
- Traffic summit will be December 5, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Eaton County Road Commission Board Room
- Meeting with resident of Billwood Highway tomorrow at his residence
- Deberming continues
- The last culvert replacement for this season starts tomorrow.
- Asphalt and dura patching continues

Commissioner Barber complimented the Maintenance crews on Buck Highway maintenance.

Motion by Barber and seconded by Lamoreaux to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. Motion carried.

The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.

Duane A. Eldred, Chairman

Patricia M. Loosemore, Clerk to the Board