

## EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

July 8, 2025

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 July 8, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.

Members present: Commissioners Lamoreaux, Green and Kendall

Members absent: Commissioners Eldred and Aitch-Guerrant

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

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Lamoreaux at 8:36 a.m.

The Vice Chair inquired whether there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. There were no additions or deletions to the agenda. Motion by Green and seconded by Kendall to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

The Vice Chair asked if the minutes of June 24, 2025, regular board meeting, were correct as presented. Motion by Kendall and seconded by Green to approve June 24, 2025, meeting minutes, as presented. Motion carried.

Public comment: None

The following vouchers were presented:

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| a. | VO 56 (07-01-25) | Payroll          | \$ 145,257.28   |
| b. | VO 57 (07-01-25) | Accounts Payable | \$ 1,587,542.66 |

Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Kendall to approve Vouchers 56 and 57 with total expenditures of \$1,732,799.94. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lamoreaux, Green and Kendall. Absent: Eldred and Aitch-Guerrant. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the audit services proposals as presented by the Finance Director and the Engineer-Manager. They recommended awarding the contract to the second lowest price proposal, Maner Costerisan citing the first bidder's lack of relevant experience in Road Commission audits, the previous successful audits performed by Maner Costerisan, and the negligible cost difference between the two proposals. A motion was made by Kendall and seconded by Green to award the audit services contract for Fiscal Years 2025 through 2027 to Maner Costerisan, highlighting their pertinent experience in auditing road commissions. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the 2026 CRA Legislative Priorities as presented by the Engineer-Manager. No action was taken.

Old Business of the Dental HRA is postponed pending the receipt of additional information.

The Superintendent updated the Board on the following:

- Approximately 25 miles of road have been chip sealed. Crews are currently working on finishing fog seal in these areas.
- On going shaping and brining of newly completed regravels roads is in progress.
- Two crews are actively continuing crack seal operations

The Director of Engineering updated the Board on the following:

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- Bellevue Hwy. Federal Aid project kicked off today road closed to thru traffic from Marshall Rd. to Cochran Rd. Contractor will be trenching the shoulder, tree trimming and paving the road to be 24 ft wide. This project is expected to be completed mid-August.
- Rieth Riley's subcontractor Youngstrom is working on curb replacement in Delta Twp. For Contract B. Contractor plans to start milling and paving within the next week or two.
- Bunker Hwy. Bridge Preventative Maintenance project is open to traffic.
- Ainger Rd. Bridge is scheduled to be closed at the end of July for preventative maintenance and will be closed for approximately 6 weeks.
- Mulliken Rd. Bridge is closed for a Preventative Maintenance project and is scheduled to be opened at the end of July.
- Nixon Rd. from Davis Hwy. to Sundance Hwy. – Hoffman Bros. is constructing road from Davis Hwy. moving north and are planning to start excavating for the surcharge area this week.
- Regravel program is on Gildart Rd. in Brookfield Twp. (Carr Bros.)

The Engineer-Manager updated the Board on the following:

- Drafting of a remote work policy
- Advised of a driveway issue between Jerry Frazier, Five Point Highway and his neighbor
- Dealing with the Contractor for the Royston Rd project from last year regarding final costs.
- Engineer-Manager contract is coming up for renewal in August.

Correspondence received via email from a legislative aid regarding a driveway issue of Buddy Esman was discussed.

The 2024 County Road Report received from CRA was presented for discussion by the Engineer-Manager.

Public comment: None

Commissioner Comments: None

The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, July 22, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Kendall and seconded by Green to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 a.m. Motion carried.

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Timothy J. Lamoreaux, Vice Chair

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Patricia M. Loosemore, Clerk to the Board