

## EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

February 24, 2026

Members present: Commissioners Eldred, Green, Kendall and Lamoreaux

Members absent: Commissioner Bott

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

The meeting was called to order by Chair Eldred at 6:00 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 Green and seconded by Kendall to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

The Chair asked if the minutes of the February 10, 2026, meeting were correct as presented. Motion by Green and seconded by Kendall to approve February 10, 2026, minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public comment: None

The following vouchers were presented:

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| a. | VO 26 (02-10-26) | Payroll          | \$ 133,523.26 |
| b. | VO 27 (02-13-26) | Accounts Payable | 361,248.36    |
| c. | VO 28 (02-19-26) | Accounts Payable | 87,121.98     |
| d. | VO 29 (02-24-26) | Payroll          | 124,370.28    |

Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Green to approve Vouchers 26,27,28 and 29 with total expenditures of \$706,263.88. Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Green, Kendall and Lamoreaux. Nays: None. Absent: Bott. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the final 2026 millage project list as presented by the Engineer/Manager. The projects were consistent with the preliminary list issued for public comment in December 2025. The Engineer/Manager recommended approval of the list as presented. Motion by Green and seconded by Lamoreaux to approve the 2026 millage projects as presented. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Oneida Township Agreements as presented by the Engineer-Manager with a recommendation that the Board approve the agreements. One agreement provides for the application of 800 cubic yards of road gravel per mile on Eaton Highway from Grange Road to Lawson Road. The second agreement provides for a single chip seal, along with temporary and permanent pavement markings, on 2.99 miles of Saginaw Highway (Oneida Road to the End); Lawson Road (Jefferson Street to Eaton Highway) and Oneida Road (M-43 to Eaton Highway). Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Green to approve the two Oneida Township Agreements as presented. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the request for a driveway variance for a new driveway on Curtis Road parcel no. 090-019-100-110-00 in Bellevue, as presented by the Engineer-Manager. The Engineer-Manager explained that on very low volume roads where a parcel was split prior to the Eaton County Road Commission Permit Policy being adopted and that parcel has no location that meets the minimum sight distance, the Board has previously granted the variance to place the new driveway where there is the most

sight distance available. Because the Curtis Road driveway variance request meets these criteria, the Engineer- Manager recommends approval of the variance with the caveat that no splits be allowed. Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Kendall to approve the site variance as presented by the Engineer- Manager. Motion carried.

Old Business: Consider adopting Ena Drive into the public system that remains under old Business.

Under other old business the Board reviewed and discussed the bid tabulation for the 2026 Aggregate Surface Course, as presented by the Engineer-Manager and Director of Engineering with a recommendation that the Board award the 2026 Aggregate Surface Course to the low bidder in each township, with the option to purchase from the second-lowest bidder if the low bidder is unable to furnish the material. That the award of the maintenance gravel be granted to the low bidder for each garage, with the option to purchase from the second-lowest bidder if the low bidder is unable to furnish the material. The Road Commission will perform the placement of the gravel in townships in which there are substantial cost-savings. Motion by Green and seconded by Kendall to award the 2026 Aggregate Surface Course to the low bidder in each township, with the option to purchase from the second-lowest bidder if the low bidder is unable to furnish the material. The award of the maintenance gravel shall be granted to the low bidder for each garage, with the option to purchase from the second-lowest bidder if the low bidder is unable to furnish the material. The Road Commission will perform the placement of the gravel in townships in which there are substantial cost-savings. Motion carried.

The Superintendent updated the Board on Maintenance Activities:

- Crews have been performing winter maintenance.
- Tree trimming and brush maintenance has been taking place.
- Asphalt cold patching
- House cleaning
- Met with MATRIX Consulting Engineers Inc. for professional services design for HVAC (MAU) replacements in all 3 garages
- We have sold a pickup truck and loader on Ranger bid.

The Director of Engineering provided an update on the following items:

- Nixon Rd, from Davis Hwy to Mt Hope Hwy, Contractor is planning to mobilize to the site once weight restrictions are lifted.
- Holt Hwy 's drawings have been submitted, and this project will be in May 2026 letting.
- Millet Hwy, Nixon Rd to E Millet Hwy- The consultant continues to design this road project.
- 5 Point Hwy, Battle Creek River to Mauer Rd project. We had a preconstruction meeting. Tree removals will take place starting next week with work taking place under a lane closure. Road work will begin when weight restrictions are lifted.
- Working to get EGLE and EPA approvals for the 5 Point Hwy, Creepy Swamp project
- Bellevue Hwy, Brookfield Rd to Thuma Rd project plans have been submitted to MDOT review. GI meeting scheduled for tomorrow, February 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Webster Rd Bridge, the contractor, is has delayed the start of construction until Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. The delay to the project is due to the contractor not being able to mobilize all the appropriate equipment for beam removal because of weight restrictions. The Engineer-Manager updated the Board on the following items:
- Working to get the millage paving contracts out to bid for the 2026 millage work.

The Engineer-Manager updated the Board on the following:

- CRA updated MTF & NRF Estimates
- We have requested the second distribution of the MEDC money
- A letter received from Nashville Construction.
- A site plan received from Interstate Capital for warehouses off Lansing Road near Pinch Hwy.
- CRA's final 2026 Legislative Priorities
- Marketplace North of M-43 continues to have outstanding issues.
- Proposed millage information.

Correspondence: None

Public comment: None

Commissioner Comments: None

The date and time of the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at 8:30 a.m.

Motion by Green and seconded by Lamoreaux to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. Motion carried.

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Duane A. Eldred, Chairman

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Patricia M. Loosemore, Clerk to the Board