EATON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

October 13, 2026

Members present: Commissioners Eldred, Green, Bott, Kendall and Lamoreaux

Members absent: None

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

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

The Chair inquired whether there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. The Engineer-Manager added 6.b. MDOT Contract 26-5424. Motion by Green and seconded by Bott to approve the agenda with the addition. Motion carried.

The Chair asked if the minutes of the September 29, 2026, meeting were correct as presented. Motion by Bott and seconded by Green to approve the September 29, 2026, minutes as presented. Motion carried.

The Chair asked whether the closed session minutes from September 29, 2026, meeting were accurate as presented. Motion by Lamoreaux, and Bott seconded, to approve the closed session minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public comment: None

The following vouchers were presented:

Accounts Payable	VO	1	10-01-26	$ 161,168.03
Payroll	VO	2	10-07-26	$ 139,331.63

Motion by Lamoreaux and seconded by Green to approve Vouchers 1 and 2 with total expenditures of $300,499.66. Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Green, Bott, Kendall and Lamoreaux; Nays: None; Absent: None Motion carried.

The Board reflected on the tragic loss of employee Kolten Hewer and recognized his service and contribution to the Eaton County Road Commission.

It was moved by Commissioner Ronald E. Kendall and seconded by Commissioner Mark W. Bott to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Road Commissioners of Eaton County is deeply saddened and mourns the loss of their fellow employee, Kolten Hewer; and,

WHEREAS, Kolten was a valued and respected employee at the Road Commission where he built amazing friendships. His dedicated work ethic and willingness to learn anything needed to support road commission operations will be greatly missed; and,

WHERAS, as a Road Maintenance Employee, Kolten was also responsible for winter maintenance, including snow removal and ice control, often working in extreme conditions, exhibiting personal dedication and extraordinary efforts to safeguard the motoring public throughout Eaton County; and,

WHEREAS, Kolten was a wonderful team member who was more focused on the good of the Road Commission and the motoring citizens than his own benefit. He made many great contributions and helped to carry out the

mission of the Road Commission by working as a team member to accomplish shared goals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Road Commissioners of Eaton County expresses its profound sorrow and extends its sincere condolences to Kolten's family.

The resolution was adopted by roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Eldred, Green, Bott, Kendall, and Lamoreaux. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried, and the resolution was declared adopted.

The Board reviewed and discussed MDOT Contract 26-5424. A motion was made by Commissioner James F. Green for the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Transportation wishes to enter into a contract agreement with the Eaton County Road Commission to accomplish the following project:

Hot mix asphalt base crushing, shaping, raising of roadway elevation and paving along Five Point Highway from the Battle Creek River easterly approximately 2,060 feet, including clearing and tree removal, culvert replacement including precast three-sided or arch, drainage blanket, wick drains, drain relocation, subbase and aggregate base, guardrail, permanent signing and pavement markings; and all together with necessary related work. located in Eaton County, Contract No. 26-5424, Job No. 224872CON, Control Section EAR 23000 and Project 26A0998.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Road Commission approves Contract Number 26-5424 and duly authorizes the Engineer- Manager, namely Mathew M. Hannahs and Clerk, namely Patricia M. Loosemore to electronically sign the contract on behalf of the Eaton County Road Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that true copies of this resolution will be sent to the Michigan Department of Transportation.

The motion was supported by Commissioner Ronald E. Kendall and carried on a call vote.
Roll call vote: Ayes: Eldred, Green, Bott, Kendall and Lamoreaux; Nays: None; Absent: None Motion carried.

The Superintendent updated the Board on the following:

- Supporting and assisting employees following the tragic accident.

The Director of Engineering updated the Board on the following activities:

- Five-Point Hwy, Creepy Swamp- Final Adjustments are being made to the bidding package due to the letting being pushed to December 4, 2026
- Bellevue Hwy, Brookfield Rd to Thuma, Contractor is scheduled to replace shoulders tomorrow, Wednesday 10-14.26.
- Webster Rd Bridge- Contractor has completed the punch list. A Final walk through with MDOT is being scheduled for the project completion.
- Five-Point Hwy, Mathews Rd to Marshall Rd- We are currently working on design for this project. This project construction timeline will be dependent on the completion of Creepy Swamp Section.
- Paving Projects- Rieth Riley and their subcontractors are working to complete the millage paving

projects.

- Reclamite-Our contractor Pavement Technology is placing Reclamite along Mt. Hope Hwy today. Crew then will place Reclamite on sections in Laurelwood subdivision and Five Point Hwy tomorrow.
- Engineering Projects – Staff are working on project design, project inspection and preparing bidding documents for next year projects.

The Engineer- Manager updated the Board on the following:

- Millage education at the mall and attending of township meetings
- Townships are positive toward the millage.
- Brine well status

Correspondence: Traffic Summit at ECRC December 2, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.

Public comment: None

Commissioner comment: None

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for October 27, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Kendall and seconded by Lamoreaux to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 a.m. Motion carried.

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Duane A. Eldred, Chair

Patricia M. Loosemore, Clerk to the Board