

REGULAR MEETING

March 09, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners for the County of Isabella was held at the main office at 2261 E. Remus Road. Members present were Beltinck, Hauck, & Livermore on March 09, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. Commissioner Turnwald and Busch was absent.

Motion by Beltinck, seconded by Hauck to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Hauck, seconded by Beltinck to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on February 23, 2023 as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Beltinck, seconded by Hauck to ask the Chairman to call for a roll call vote to approve the 1 Vouchers issued in the amount of \$252,787.22 and 1 Payroll Register issued in the amount of \$85,899.85 and the County Treasurer is authorized to transfer funds for same. Commissioner Beltinck, Yes; Hauck, Yes; and Livermore, Yes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: N/A

Public comment: Lisa Cody, Clerk of Union Township, said that the Union Township Board has approved the Township Brine Contract.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

Motion by Hauck, seconded by Beltinck to approve the MDOT Contract No. 23-5048 for the following:

PART A – FEDERAL PARTICIPATION

Single course chip seal, fog seal and permanent pavement markings along Coleman Road from west county line easterly to Woodruff Road, along Airline Road from west county line easterly to Brinton Road, along Drew Road from west county line easterly to Coldwater Road, along Weidman Road from Woodruff Road to Winn Road, along Winn Road from Vernon Road to Coleman Road, along Stevenson Lake Road from Vandecar Road to Meridian Road, along Vernon Road from Winn Road to Mission Road, along Whiteville Road from Weidman Road to Vernon Road, along Weidman Road from Nottawa Road to Meridian Road and from Lincoln Road to Mission Road; and all together with necessary related work.

PART B – NO FEDERAL PARTICIPATION

Single course chip seal, fog seal and permanent pavement markings along Duquesa Drive from Lake Isabella north village limit southerly to Queensway Drive, along Queensway Drive from Duquesa Drive northerly to Drew Road, along Bundy Drive from Queensway Drive to Essex Drive, along Nottawa Road from Rosebush Road to Denver Road, and along Baseline Road from Meridian Road to Whiteville Road; and all together with necessary related work.

Also authorize the Engineer to electronically sign the Contract and the Acting Board Secretary to sign the Certificate of Resolution. Commissioner Hauck, Yes; Beltinck, Yes; and Livermore, Yes. Motion carried.

The Finance Director reviewed the bi-weekly financial report for the period ending March 02, 2023. The Finance Director informed the Commissioners the MTF funds month to date decreased 2.96% (Increase of \$26,447) and the YTD increased 4.86% (Increase of \$165,544). The Finance Director got in touch with the Renaissance Public School and resubmitted an invoice. They needed additional paperwork filled out and that got done as of yesterday. They said the invoice should be paid by the end of the month.

The Shop Foreman gave the following report:

- 1) Prepared for several storms that never happened.
- 2) The CAT 950 loader is still waiting on one part to arrive for the PDI (load management system) and they also lost a technician from the Saginaw location.
- 3) The John Deere Gator is also waiting for parts to arrive for the Boss plow. Everything else is done and ready to go.
- 4) Sam from our insurance company is coming in Thursday March 9th to give training on the fork truck and overhead crane.
- 5) I will be attending the "2023 Safety Summit" safety training given by CRASIF in Gaylord March 14th and 15th.
- 6) I apologize for my absence at the meeting, I am with my son in New York City. He is competing in indoor track at the National level.

The Drainage Forman gave the following report:

Date	Township	Job Completed
02/20/23	all quads	PBT
	all shops	wash trucks
	all shops	fill chloride tanks
02/21/23	all quads	PBT
	all shops	wash trucks
02/22/23	all townships	Plow blacktops use mix where needed
		plow gravels use sand where needed
02/23/23	all townships	Plow blacktops use mix where needed
		plow gravels use sand where needed
02/24/23	all townships	clean up townships sand where needed brine trucks out
02/27/23	all townships	Plow blacktops use mix where needed
		plow gravels use sand where needed
02/28/23	all townships	Plow blacktops use mix where needed
		plow gravels use sand where needed
03/01/23	all townships	clean up townships sand where needed brine trucks out
	Rolland	haul snow out of Blanchard
03/02/23	all quads	PBT
	Mt Pleasant yard	Haul sand to stockpile
	Weidman	Haul sand to stockpile
03/03/23	all quads	PBT
	all shops	wash trucks and clean drains
03/06/23	all quads	PBT
	all shops	wash trucks and clean drains
	North 1/2	2 graders out on gravels
03/07/23	all townships	brine trucks out
		Sand hills, stops and curves
		scrape gravels after 10 am stay in the centers and out of the mud

The Project Manager gave the following report:

Date	Township	Job Completed
02/27/23		Plowed the intersections on M-20
03/01/23	Lincoln Twp.	Worked on Lincoln Twp estimates
3/2 -3/3		Showed the new guys out buildings, brine wells, and gravel pits
03/06/23		Checked gravel roads in the north half
03/07/23		Attended asphalt class in Lansing
03/08/23		Worked on gravel estimates

The Manager informed the Commissioners that he attended a couple different meetings on the new brining law that Eagle is considering on implementing on April 1st. He also informed them that Commissioner Turnwald forwarded an email that originated from Travis Boeskool the Legislative Liaison of Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy. In the email Travis states "As we work to communicate with those who are affected or will be affected by the inclusion of mineral well brine on the general permit for brine application, EGLE is pausing the process to make sure we're able to have conversations with folks who are affected by these requirements. That means that the new permit will not be going into place on April 1st, and there will be appropriate time for these conversations to happen". The Manager said that the ICRC Engineer and Pete Lorenz had a meeting with the Fire Department on the new salt barn. A fire hydrant may have to be moved closer to the barn before the barn can be built. The Manager informed the Commissioners that he and the Finance Director had a couple conversations with the attorney on the Duncan Drain issue. The Manager has also contacted a few different Road Commissions and have discovered that many of them have cost shares in these projects with the townships. The Manager informed the Commissioners that the Winter budget is already \$60,000 over budget. The manager said that both new employees have started. The Manager informed the Board that the Finance Clerk had been contacted by a Nottawa Township Board Member to inform us that a Coldwater resident was stating "the road commission told them that Coldwater Lake would not be able to hook up to the Beal City sewer because" Nottawa Township "had sized it too small so now they would be getting their own, separate system". The Manager just wanted to inform the Commissioners that he was unaware of anyone at the road commission doing this. The Road Commission has nothing to do with this and are not aware of the sizing of the sewer system. The Manager gave an update on the current timeline of the 2023 Road Projects. The Manager also gave a brief update on the timeline of MDOT's construction project on M-20 during 2023 and 2024.

Committee Reports: N/A

Motion by Hauck, seconded by Beltinck to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 a.m. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Board Secretary

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Member

Member

Member