

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
DICKINSON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dickinson County Road Commission was held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. at the Road Commission office located at 1107 S. Milwaukee Ave., Iron Mountain, MI 49801.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carey and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bilski, Commissioner Olson, Commissioner Brisson, and Commissioner Carey

ABSENT: None

Also present were: Jim Harris, Managing Director; Missy Berger, Director of Finance; Lance Malburg, Engineer; Todd Donaldson, Superintendent of Roads; Henry Wender, County Board Liaison; Don Minerick, Sagola Township; Denny Olson, Breitung Township; Mike Carey, Sagola Township; Kerry Tushoski, Sagola Township; Jeff Tushoski, Sagola Township; Guy Livermore, Dickinson County Road Commission and Mike Salczenko, Dickinson County Road Commission.

CITIZEN'S TIME: Mike Carey asked the Board if any work will be done on the Lake Ellen Road. A brief discussion ensued including the Road Commissions limited funding, dust control plans, more regular grading and patching, and our effort to secure additional funding for nearby Turner Road.

APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA: Chairman Carey asked if anyone had any amendments to the agenda. Being none, a motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson to approve the agenda. All ayes, and the motion carried.

APPROVE REPORTS: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to approve the Managing Director, Director of Finance, Engineer, Superintendent, and Construction Supervisor reports as presented. All ayes and the motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2022 Regular Meeting and the Special Meeting from October 11, 2022. All ayes and the motion carried.

APPROVE PAYMENTS: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to approve payrolls in the amount of \$164,858.54. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to approve time checks in the amount of \$177,211.08. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson to approve material bills in the amount of \$216,734.85. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

The total for the approved was \$558,804.47.

TURNER ROAD DISCUSSION: Director of Finance Berger updated the Board on the Special Grant Application and letter writing campaign for the Turner Road. A discussion took place.

LOCAL ROAD PROJECT CONTRIBUTION POLICY DISCUSSION: Managing Director Harris informed the Board that he met with all of the Townships and Attorney Tinti to receive their input regarding the proposed revised Local Road Contribution Policy and the minor changes to the policy. He further stated that he would like to meet with the Board before the next meeting to review. A Special Board Meeting was suggested and scheduled for Monday, November 21st at 10:00 A.M.

GARAGE ROOF REPAIR DISCUSSION: Managing Director Harris stated that several years ago a roof inspection program was put in place. This year a problem has arose regarding the garage that houses the pickups. The substructure, decking and some of the supports have rotted and partially failed. He informed the Board that a new roof could be anywhere from \$80,000 to \$110,000, and that the better temporary option would be a 5-year fix and, then begin to put some money away to construct a new storage building in the future.

COUNTY BOARD LIAISON: None

TOWNSHIP COMMENTS: Don Minerick, Sagola Township Supervisor stated that the Sewer Project in Sagola Township came in over budget and they will have to scale back this project in order fund the Turner Road Project.

CITIZENS TIME: None

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILEGE: Director of Finance Berger stated that a Public Hearing would take place at next months meeting to adopt the 2023 proposed budgets and that a special meeting at the end of December will take place for 2022 budget amendments.

Engineer Malburg informed the Board of a second EGLE recycled tire grant for 2025. He also stated that if the Groveland property development takes place it could provide an opportunity for funding for some of the surrounding roads. He lastly informed the Board that the presentation he gave at the Midwest Bridge Preservation Partnership Meeting was well received and that the attendees were impressed that a local agency could do a project that unique.

Managing Director Harris informed the Board that Todd Rowell is finalizing the seasonal road list and will give a presentation to the Board.

Commissioner Olson inquired about engineering certifications for the new Engineer Technician.

Chairman Carey complimented the latest newsletter that was issued.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to adjourn. All ayes, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Jim Carey, Chairman

Missy Berger, Secretary