

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
DICKINSON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2023**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dickinson County Road Commission was held on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 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 Bilski, Commissioner Olson, Commissioner Brisson, Commissioner Johnson 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; Mike Cline, Sagola Township Supervisor; Denny Olson, Breitung Township Supervisor and Rick Carey, Sagola Township

CITIZEN'S TIME: Rick Carey, Sagola Township stated he has property on Silver Lake Road and does not oppose turning the road over to the State or the MDNR, but raised concerns about keeping access to his property.

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 Special Meeting held on May 24, 2023 and the Regular Meeting held on June 13, 2023. All ayes and the motion carried.

APPROVE PAYMENTS: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to approve payrolls in the amount of \$193,459.76. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – 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 \$197,250.22. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – 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 \$1,185,552.04. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

The total for the approved was \$1,576,262.02.

ACT 51 PRESENTATION: Director of Finance Berger gave the Board a presentation on the 2022 Act 51. The highlights were Revenues were \$10,192,074.54, Expenditures were \$10,365,049.99 resulting in a reduction to the fund balance of

(\$172,975.45). The ending fund balance for 2022 was \$3,171,051.54. Director of Finance Berger also stated that in 2023 a loss in fund balance will likely occur and raised her concerns for 2024. A discussion ensued.

AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN ACT 51 A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to have the Chairman sign Act 51. All ayes and the motion carried.

SIGN TOWNSHIP AGREEMENTS: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to sign Township Agreements with Breen Township and Waucesha Township. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Johnson - aye and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

PICNIC DISCUSSION: Director of Finance Berger updated the Board on the picnic planned for the 120th anniversary of the Road Commission on July 27th. A discussion ensued.

COUNTY BOARD LIAISON: None

TOWNSHIP COMMENTS: Mike Cline, Sagola Township Supervisor stated the Township has a mower for sale. Denny Olson, Breitung Township Supervisor stated the sidewalks in Quinnesec turned out nice and thanked the Board.

CITIZENS TIME: None

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILEGE Engineer Malburg stated he will be at a conference and not be able to attend the picnic. He further stated the bids for Countywide stripping and Old Carney Lake/Haystack will be ready to go out the beginning of next week.

Director of Finance Berger stated Managing Director Harris is now the President of the U.P. Road Builders.

Managing Director Harris informed the Board of the purchase of two Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems in an effort to prevent tire blowouts like the two that happened earlier in the year.

Commissioner Bilski inquired about the grass mowing a brief discussion ensued.

Commissioner Olson inquired about the viaduct bump and shoulders maintenance. A brief discussion took place.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn. All ayes, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

Jim Carey, Chairman

Missy Berger, Secretary