

**SPECIAL MEETING  
DICKINSON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024**

A Special Meeting of the Dickinson County Road Commission was held on March 12, 2024, at 4:30 P.M. in 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 and Commissioner Carey

ABSENT: Commissioner Brisson (Excused)

Also present: Jim Harris, Managing Director; Missy Berger, Director of Finance; Lance Malburg, County Engineer; Todd Donaldson, Superintendent of Roads; Louis Sturm, Waucedah Township Supervisor; Denny Olson, Breitung Township Supervisor; Mike Cline, Sagola Township Supervisor; Steve Mulka, Breitung Township Superintendent and Guy Livermore, Dickinson County Road Commission.

CITIZEN'S TIME: None

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 Johnson to approve the agenda. All ayes, and the motion carried.

2023 FINANCIAL DISCUSSION: Director of Finance Berger provided the Board with information on the loss in the Local Road Fund in 2023. She went on to explain that there is not enough in the Primary and County Road funds to cover the loss in the Local Road Fund, and that a deficit elimination plan will likely need to be put in place to rectify the loss. A lengthy discussion took place regarding Local Road Funding, MTF, Millage and logging plates. Managing Director Harris stated work has recently been and will continue to be focused on the Primary and State systems to minimize expenditures on the Local Road system.

LOCAL ROAD PROJECT DISCUSSION: Managing Director Harris stated per the Local Road Project Policy, 26% of Millage received is dedicated to Local Road projects in the Townships and that minimal funding and resources will be available for 2024 Local Road projects. A discussion took place regarding what projects could be done this year in honoring the policy commitment.

PRIMARY ROAD PROJECT DISCUSSION: Managing Director Harris suggested postponing discussion until the Road Commissions request for funding from the Legislature is made on Leeman Road and/or County Road 573.

TOWNSHIP COMMENTS: Steve Mulka, Breitung Township Supervisor thanked the Board for the sidewalk project last year, and stated he's received several compliments.

CITIZENS TIME: None

COMMISSIONERS' PRIVILEGE: Managing Director Harris updated the Board on weight restrictions and a discussion took place.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn at 5:30 P.M. All ayes, and the motion carried.

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Jim Carey, Chairman

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Missy Berger, Secretary