

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
DICKINSON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dickinson County Road Commission was held on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 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: 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; Louis Sturm, Waucedah Township Supervisor 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.

**APPROVE REPORTS:** A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson 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 Olson to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on July 9, 2024, and Special Meeting held on July 22, 2024. All ayes and the motion carried.

**APPROVE PAYMENTS:** A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Brisson to approve payrolls in the amount of \$324,830.70. 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 \$181,367.40. 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 Brisson to approve material bills in the amount of \$229,958.60. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

The total for the approved was \$736,156.70.

**VOTE FOR CRASIF BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** Director of Finance Berger recommended the Board vote for all three incumbents based upon their past performance with the CRASIF Board of Trustees. A motion was made by Commissioner Brisson and supported by Commissioner Bilski to vote for the three

incumbents Jessie Campbell, Darrell Cass and Lisa Kleeman. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey - aye. The motion carried.

**AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN AND DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO SIGN ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE RELATED CONDITIONS:** Director of Finance Berger stated this Certification is required every year related to health insurance requirements, and the Road Commission is in compliance. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to authorize the Chairman and Director of Finance to sign the Annual Certification of Employee Related Conditions. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey - aye. The motion carried.

**APPROVE CRA BYLAW AMENDMENTS:** Director of Finance Berger asked the Board if they had any questions regarding the amendments. A brief discussion took place regarding amendments. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to approve the CRA Bylaw Amendments. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

**LAKE LOUISE DRIVE NORTH GUARDRAILBIDS/DISCUSSION/AWARD:** Engineer Malburg read the bids aloud and a discussion took place. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to accept bids and award bid to low bidder Action Traffic in the amount of \$23,864.50. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey - aye. The motion carried.

**Lake Louise Drive North Guardrail**

BID TAB  
Bid Opening 7/2/2024 12:00 Noon

Item	Quantity	Unit	G & J Site Solutions		Action Traffic	
			UNIT PRICE	COST	UNIT PRICE	COST
Mobilization	1	LSum	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Guardrail, Rem	550	Ft	\$ 2.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 2.15	\$ 1,182.50
Salvage Guardrail beam elemnts for reuse	1	LSum	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
Sand filling old post holes	1	LSum	\$ 1,555.00	\$ 1,555.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
Guardrail Reconstruct with 8 Ft Posts	550	Ft	\$ 12.55	\$ 6,902.50	\$ 19.00	\$ 10,450.00
Guardrail Approach Terminal, Type 2B	2	Each	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 7,000.00
Guardrail Reflectors	22	Each	\$ 6.00	\$ 132.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 132.00
Traffic Control, Complete	1	LSum	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
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As Read \$ 28,289.50 \$ 23,864.50  
As Calculated \$ 28,289.50 \$ 23,864.50

SIGN TOWNSHIP AGREEMENT FOR COLLINS ROAD WITH BREITUNG TOWNSHIP: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to sign the Township Agreement for Collins Road with Breitung Township. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey - aye. The motion carried.

SIGN CONTRACT WITH BACCO FOR THE COLLINS ROAD PROJECT: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to sign contract with Bacco for the Collins Road project. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

SIGN CONTRACT WITH P.K. CONTRACTING FOR COUNTYWIDE PAINTING: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to sign the contract with P.K. Contracting for Countywide Painting. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey - aye. The motion carried.

APPROVE CLOSURE OF THE TWO MILE ROAD, CALUMET MINE ROAD, LYONS LAKE ROAD AND NORWAY TRUCK TRAIL FOR THE CENTRAL U.P. ROAD RALLY ON AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup> AND 24<sup>TH</sup>: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to approve the closure of the Two Mile Road, Calumet Mine Road, Lyons Lake Road and the Norway Truck Trail for the Central U.P. Road Rally being held on August 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson - aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

RURAL TASK FORCE FUNDING DISCUSSION: Engineer Malburg informed the Board that our Rural Task Force members are Dickinson, Delta and Menominee Road Commissions. He went on to explain how the Rural Task Force works, including funding, project selection and timelines. A lengthy discussion took place regarding eligible roads, and how to best utilize the funding. The Board determined that County Road 581, Lake Ellen Road and County Road 426 are the best options to present to the Rural Task Force for the 5-year plan.

COUNTY BOARD LIAISON: Henry Wender, County Board Liaison stated his term ends in 4 months, and that he has enjoyed serving as the County Board Liaison for the Road Commission. The Board thanked him for his service and wisdom over the years and that he will be missed.

TOWNSHIP COMMENTS: Denny Olson, Breitung Township Supervisor thanked Henry Wender for his service and encouraged him to keep attending the Road Commission meetings. He then stated the Township Association meeting is being held Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> at the Breitung Township Hall. Louis Sturm inquired if the Solid Waste Facility takes leaves and branches to grind for composting. Commissioner Brisson stated that they do not, but there used to be a compost site.

CITIZENS TIME: None

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILEGE: Engineer Malburg informed the Board that a pre-con meeting is scheduled for August 14<sup>th</sup> for the County Road 569 Bridge project, and that he is still unsure when the project will start. He then updated the Board on the Hydraulic Falls Road project taking place in 2026.

Director of Finance Berger stated that Brian Lindholm was unavailable to attend tonight's Board Meeting and that she would like to enter his retirement resolution into the meeting minutes. She then stated that Brouillette Law Office that is located on Carpenter Ave. near the Road Commission facility is for sale. A brief discussion took place, and it was determined to gather more information.

Commissioner Brisson thanked Henry Wender for his service.

Commissioner Johnson inquired about bumps on M95 in Sagola. Superintendent of Roads Donaldson stated it is being addressed by MDOT.

Commissioner Olson stated that bumps are forming at the intersection of Breitung Cut Off Road and US 141. Engineer Malburg and Superintendent of Roads Donaldson stated they will investigate and get back to the Board.

#### RESOLUTION

*At the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dickinson County Road Commission held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day August 2024, it was unanimously voted that the Dickinson County Road Commission enter into a Resolution recognizing the retirement of one of its long-time devoted employees;*

*Whereas, Brian Lindholm is retiring from his employment with the Dickinson County Road Commission, and the Road Commission will sorely miss the services of Brian Lindholm;*

*Whereas, the Dickinson County Road Commission deems it appropriate to express its thanks and appreciation to Brian Lindholm for his 14 years 9 months of dedicated service with the Dickinson County Road Commission as a valued, trusted and worthy employee;*

*And Whereas, Brian Lindholm, in his years of tenure has served the Dickinson County Road Commission as a truck driver and heavy equipment operator and has played an integral part in maintaining the highways during winter operations in keeping the motoring public safe with the upmost loyalty and honor;*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dickinson County Road Commission does unanimously, on its behalf and on the behalf of all of the citizen's of Dickinson County, express their appreciation to Brian Lindholm, and extend their best wishes for many years of pleasurable, happy and healthy retirement.*

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Jim Carey

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Allan Bilski

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Dave Brisson

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Dale Johnson

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A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn. All ayes, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:09 P.M.

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Jim Carey, Chairman

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Missy Berger, Secretary