

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
DICKINSON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2024**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dickinson County Road Commission was held on Tuesday, November 12, 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 Johnson, Commissioner Brisson and Commissioner Carey.

ABSENT:

Also present were: Jim Harris, Managing Director; Missy Berger, Director of Finance; Todd Donaldson, Superintendent of Roads; Steve Tinti, Dickinson County Road Commission Attorney; Denny Olson, Breitung Township Supervisor; Louis Sturm, Waucedah Township Supervisor; Scott Morin, Niagara, Wisconsin; Larry Smith, Breitung Township; and Guy Livermore, Dickinson County Road Commission.

CITIZEN'S TIME: Scott Morin owner of Morin Excavating addressed the Board regarding his property located at the corner of US141 and Breitung Avenue. He explained that land was to be deeded to him when the intersection was reconstructed and that did not happen. Attorney Tinti explained that a Quick Claim Deed will need to be filed and that will be addressed on agenda item number 11. Mr. Morin then inquired about an easement from the Road Commission for an access point for a driveway and a brief discussion took place regarding this matter.

APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA: Chairman Carey asked if anyone had any amendments to the agenda. Being none, Commissioner Bilski made a motion 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 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 meeting minutes from the October 8, 2024 Regular Meeting. 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 \$196,463.71. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Brisson – 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 \$650,764.11. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – 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 material bills in the amount of \$244,944.94. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

The total for the approved was \$1,092,272.76.

AWARD DEAD DEER BID: Director of Finance Berger informed the Board the only bid received was from JZ Nuisance who has the current contract. She went on to state the amount per deer remains at \$34.00, and the contract is for one year with a yearly renewal option until December 31, 2027. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to accept and award the bid to JZ Nuisance. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

SET FUTURE DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION OF SCHNEIDER ABANDONMENT: Attorney Tinti explained to the Board the complexities of this Abandonment request and the progress to date. He stated that Patricia Schneider indicated that she would circulate the Petition to Abandon a Public Road and the Certification that needs to be signed by the seven (7) freeholders. Once this is done the Petition can be filed and the Public Hearing can be scheduled.

REVIEW / AUTHORIZE DOCUMENTS FOR BREITUNG CUT OFF / US 141 SURPLUS REAL ESTATE: Attorney Tinti stated that a Quick Claim Deed from Scott Morin to Larry Smith and a Release of Right-Of-Way signed by Chairman Carey and Clerk to the Board Berger will resolve the issue addressed in the first Citizen Time. A motion was made by Commissioner Brisson and supported by Commissioner Bilski to authorize the Quick Claim Deed and the Release of Right-Of-Way to Larry Smith signed by Chairman Carey and Clerk to the Board Berger. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Brisson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

COUNTY BOARD LIAISON: Henry Wender, County Board Liaison stated he will try to help with the Road Commission appropriation request.

TOWNSHIP COMMENTS: Denny Olson, Breitung Township Supervisor stated he is very happy with the Collins Road and Schettler Drive projects. Louis Sturm, Waucedah Township Supervisor thanked the Road Commission crews for taking care of tree problem and was also happy with the Lake Mary project.

CITIZENS TIME: None

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILEGE: Managing Director Harris stated he will work with Mr. Morin on the driveway access point. He then updated the Board on the following:

Foster City Bridge project award for 2027
County Board Appropriation Meeting
569 Bridge Project Guardrail issue

Commissioner Johnson inquired about the bumps on M69. Superintendent of Roads Donaldson stated he is working with MDOT to resolve the problem.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to adjourn. All ayes, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

Jim Carey, Chairman

Missy Berger, Secretary