

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
DICKINSON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dickinson County Road Commission was held on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 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: Jim Harris, Managing Director; Missy Berger, Director of Finance; Lance Malburg, County Engineer; Todd Donaldson, Superintendent of Roads; Peter Swanson, County Board Liaison; Ryan Mulder, Sagola Township Supervisor; Louis Sturm, Waucedah Township Supervisor; Denny Olson, Breitung Township Supervisor; Eric Carlson, Lake Superior Performance Rally; Roger VanDamme, Central U.P. Rally; Jonathan Wagel, UPRX U.P. Rallycross 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. Managing Director Harris stated a concern arose with the Schneider Abandonment and requested it be taken off the agenda. A motion was made by Commissioner Brisson and supported by Commissioner Bilski to amend the agenda to remove the abandonment and resolution. All ayes, and the motion carried.

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

APPROVE MINUTES: Director of Finance Berger stated there was a payment error last month that was found before checks were printed. Material bills for March were decreased by \$223.38. The corrected material bill amount is \$118,743.15. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2025, Regular Meeting with the correction to material bills. 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 \$239,973.85. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

Commissioner Brisson inquired about the yearly loan payment to MBFS in the amount of \$172,970.85. Managing Director Harris stated it was for units 222 & 223. A brief discussion took place regarding why it is a yearly payment instead of a monthly payment. Director of Finance Berger stated the yearly payments were agreed upon to delay the first payment to the next years budget. She will check into other possible options and get back to him. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to approve time checks in the amount of \$367,854.45. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Brisson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

2025 CR 573 State Grant - BID TAB

Bid Opening 4/1/2025 12:00 Noon

ECR Overlay

Item	Quantity	Unit	Engineer Estimate		Bacco	
			UNIT PRICE	COST	UNIT PRICE	COST
Mobilization	1	LSum	\$ 71,100.00	\$ 71,100.00	\$ 88,500.00	\$ 88,500.00
Variable Depth Cold Milling	770	Syd	\$ 20.00	\$ 15,400.00	\$ 17.60	\$ 13,552.00
SMA 12.5mm, E&C Modified	8,050	Ton	\$ 100.00	\$ 805,000.00	\$ 98.60	\$ 793,730.00
Shoulder, CL II	1500	Ton	\$ 38.00	\$ 57,000.00	\$ 20.50	\$ 30,750.00
Approach, CL II	100	Ton	\$ 40.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 22.00	\$ 2,200.00
Pav't Mktg, Reg Dry, 4 inch, Yellow	43,200	FT	\$ 0.50	\$ 21,600.00	\$ 0.15	\$ 6,480.00
Pav't Mktg, Reg Dry, 4 inch, White	48,500	FT	\$ 0.50	\$ 24,250.00	\$ 0.15	\$ 7,275.00
Traffic Control	1	LSum	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 3,640.00	\$ 3,640.00
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As Read \$ 944,187.00
As Calculated \$ 1,018,350.00 \$ 944,187.00

2025 NON-MOTORIZED PROJECT DISCUSSION: Managing Director Harris provided the Board with a list of projects to consider. A discussion took place regarding various options, and it was determined more information is needed. The item was moved to the May meeting.

2025 CUP RALLY AND LAKE SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE RALLY (LSPR) PRESENTATION: Roger VanDamme, Central U.P. Rally informed the Board of the proposed upcoming Rally's. He then introduced Eric Carlson of the LSPR. Mr. Carlson presented the Board with a map of the proposed race in October. He then gave a presentation that included Township and Landowners support, race details and safety precautions that will be taking place.

COUNTY BOARD LIAISON: Peter Swanson, County Board Liaison stated he is here to help.

TOWNSHIP COMMENTS: Louis Sturm, Waucedah Township Supervisor inquired when the bids will be ready for the 2025 Local Road Projects. Engineer Malburg stated he is working on them and would get back to him with more information.

CITIZENS TIME: None

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILEGE: Engineer Malburg informed the Board he is working with EGLE and Michigan Tech for a project on Lake Ellen Road. He then updated the Board on Bridge funding.

Director of Finance Berger stated the need for a Special Meeting for Administrative reviews. It was decided to have the meeting on Monday, April 28th at 3:00 P.M.

Managing Director Harris stated how well the backup generator worked during the last ice storm. He then stated he has been in contact with Senator McBroom to address the Log/Farm plate issue and requested that others contact the Senator as well.

Commissioner Bilski commended the crew on the job well done during the ice storms.

Commissioner Johnson inquired about summer mowing. A brief discussion took place.

Commissioner Olson also commended the crew on the great job done during the storms.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to adjourn. All ayes, and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Jim Carey, Chairman

Missy Berger, Secretary