

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
DICKINSON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2026**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dickinson County Road Commission was held on Tuesday, March 10, 2026, 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, and Commissioner Carey

ABSENT: Commissioner Brisson – Excused

Also present: Jim Harris, Managing Director; Missy Berger, Director of Finance; Todd Donaldson, Superintendent of Operations; Denny Olson, Breitung Township Supervisor; Michael Day, Breitung Township Trustee; Louis Sturm, Waucedah Township Supervisor; Ryan Mulder, Sagola Township Supervisor; Lydia Olson, Breitung Township; Jed Olson, Breitung Township; Skip Caswell, Breitung Township; Jay Davis, Breitung Township; Katie Davis, Dickinson County Road Commission, and Guy Livermore, Dickinson County Road Commission.

CITIZEN'S TIME: Skip Caswell, Breitung Township stated County Road 607 in Breitung Township is in bad shape and needs to be repaved.

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

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

APPROVE MINUTES: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to approve the minutes from February 10, 2026, Regular Meeting. 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 \$234,848.13. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Olson – 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 \$289,927.10. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Olson and supported by Commissioner Johnson to approve material bills in the amount of \$235,561.01. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

The total for the approved was \$760,336.24.

SIGN CONTRACT WITH LIVERMORE MOWING FOR COUNTYWIDE

MOWING: A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to sign the contract with Livermore Mowing for Countywide Mowing. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

ADOPT RESOLUTION FOR 2029 CRITICAL BRIDGE FUNDING AND SIGN PRIORITY LIST: Managing Director Harris informed the Board the funding submitted is for repairs to the Newberg Road Bridge. A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to Sign the 2029 Critical Bridge Funding and Priority List . Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Johnson – aye, Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENT DISCUSSION: Director of Finance Berger explained her concerns regarding the new Neighborhood Road Funding. She stated there is little information on how and when the funds will be available. A discussion took place on ways to cut the Budget for 2026.

SAGOLA PROPERTY TRANSFER : A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Olson to authorize the Chairman and the Clerk to the Board to sign the Quick Claim Deed: Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Bilski – aye, Commissioner Olson – aye, Commissioner Johnson – aye, and Chairman Carey – aye. The motion carried.

RESERVED FOR RECORDING INFORMATION

QUIT CLAIM DEED

The Grantor, **BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DICKINSON, a/k/a DICKINSON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**, a Michigan body politic, of P.O. Box 519, Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801;

quit claims to **TOWNSHIP OF SAGOLA**, a Michigan body politic, of P.O. Box 194, Channing, Michigan 49815;

the following described premises situated in the Township of Sagola, County of Dickinson and State of Michigan:

PARCEL I: That part of the NW¹/₄ of the NE¹/₄, Section 17, Township 43 North, Range 30 West, described as follows:

Commencing at the Northeast corner of the above NW¹/₄ of the NE¹/₄, Section 17, Township 43 North, Range 30 West; thence South 33 feet; thence West to the county road; thence following the said county road to the North line of said NW¹/₄ of the NE¹/₄; thence East to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL II: That part of the NE¹/₄ of the NE¹/₄, Section 17, Township 43 North, Range 30 West, described as follows:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of the above NE¹/₄ of the NE¹/₄, Section 17, Township 43 North, Range 30 West; thence South 33 feet; thence East 1320 feet; thence North 33 feet; thence West 1320 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

The property may be located within the vicinity of farm land or a farm operation. Generally accepted agricultural and management practices which may generate noise, dust, odors and other associated conditions may be used and are protected by the Michigan Right to Farm Act, being MCL 286.471 et seq.

This is a transfer of an entire parent parcel and/or parent tract and is not an exempt split, division or subdivision as such terms are defined in the Land Division Act, being MCL 560.101 et seq.

This conveyance is a determinable fee with the condition subsequent wherein the Grantee shall hold title so long as the above-described real estate is used for public recreation activities and if such public recreation activities cease for more than twelve (12) consecutive months, title shall revert to the Grantor.

FOR THE SUM OF ONE AND NO/100 (\$1.00) DOLLAR.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Signed in the presence of:

Signed by:

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD
COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF
DICKINSON, a/k/a DICKINSON
COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

NO WITNESSES REQUIRED FOR
THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

By:

Jim Cozey
Its Chairperson

(3084)

By:

Missy Berger
Its Clerk

On this _____ day of _____, 2026, before me, a Notary Public, in and for the above county, appeared Jim Cozey and Missy Berger, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did for himself and herself say that they are the Chairperson and Clerk, respectively, of Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Dickinson, a/k/a Dickinson County Road Commission, a Michigan body politic, and which executed the within instrument, and that said instrument was signed on behalf of Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Dickinson, a/k/a Dickinson County Road Commission, a Michigan body politic; and they acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Dickinson, a/k/a Dickinson County Road Commission, a Michigan body politic.

Notary Public
State of Michigan
County of _____
Commission expires: _____
Acting in County of _____

*Names of persons signing in any capacity should be typed or printed below their signature.

LOCAL ROAD BIDS: Managing Director Harris stated the Local Road Projects will not be bid individually or separately by Township, but as one project. He stated Engineer Malburg had concerns regarding bidding the Local Road Project with both Rubberized and Traditional Paving methods. A discussion took place. The Board and the Township Supervisors in attendance stated they would like both rubberized and an alternative bid for traditional asphalt.

COUNTY BOARD LIAISON: - None

TOWNSHIP COMMENTS: Michael Day, Breitung Township Trustee thanked the Road Commission for fixing the pothole at the Lake Antoine light. Denny Olson,

Breitung Township Supervisor, inquired if the road millage renewal was approved by the County Board. Managing Director Harris stated the County Board approved the renewal at the meeting last night to be placed on the August 4th ballot. Supervisor Olson stated the next Township Association meeting has been cancelled and the next one is scheduled for May 18th. He went on to invite a Road Commission representative to attend the Great Lakes Timberman's Association annual meeting on April 1st.

CITIZENS TIME: None

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILEGE: Director of Finance Berger stated the OPEB actuarial has been received and funding level is at 56%. She then informed the Board that Diane Spencer will be retiring on August 15th.

Managing Director Harris stated he spoke at the County Board meeting and updated them on Local Road Projects, funding concerns and how millage monies received are being utilized.

A brief discussion took place regarding the proposed gravel pit in Norway Township.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bilski and supported by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn. All ayes, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

Jim Carey, Chairman

Missy Berger, Secretary