

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
ALPENA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**

April 3, 2018

The Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Alpena met in regular session on the above date. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Fred Sterns, at 3:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Sterns, Heise, and Spaulding.  
Absent: None.

Staff present: Larry Orcutt, Managing Director; Curt Gonyea, Superintendent; Julia Patterson, Finance Director/Board Secretary; Jim Florip, Road Commission Attorney.

Others present: Ron McDonald, County Commissioner.

**AGENDA**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**MINUTES**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 6, 2018 and the special meeting of March 21, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Straits Area Council, email received April 3, 2018, announcing the next meeting of the Council to be held on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at the Driftwood Restaurant in St. Ignace Michigan.

**CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD**

**Lois Hall, 2553 Hobbs Drive**, appeared before the Board to express her gratitude for the maintenance of Hamilton Road Nature Trail. Ms. Hall also is concerned about the water in her yard at her Hobbs Drive residence and requests for someone from the Road Commission to come look at the drainage issue. Road Superintendent Curt Gonyea offered to meet with Ms. Hall.

**John Cook, 1247 Elden Drive**, was questioning the letter that the residents of Elden Drive received regarding turning Elden Drive back to gravel. Mr. Cook stated that the road was not maintained or improved for many years. He states only a few pot holes are patched when the surrounding roads have been resurfaced.

**Managing Director Larry Orcutt** responded that the surrounding roads that Mr. Cook referred to as being resurfaced were a result of a special assessment paid for by the property owners of those roads. Mr. Orcutt explained that the Road Commission is not allowed by law to fund the paving of these roads 100% but need a 50% share with someone or a special assessment. He explained that if the residents want to begin the process with a

petition to see if there is an interest in a special assessment, the Alpena County Road Commission would work them in this process.

Mr. Cook indicated he would be interested in circulating a petition for a Special Assessment.

**Len Werda, 1114 S. 2<sup>nd</sup>**, appeared to commend the Road Commission on the great job on Hamilton Road Nature Trail.

**Leonard Rospierski, 120 Russell Court**, commented that Burke Manor Subdivision is in good shape and shouldn't be turned back to gravel. He suggested that Outer Drive needs to be repaired because it is in bad condition.

**Dennis Dorr, 135 Outer Drive**, appeared before the Board to state that Outer Drive is deteriorating and patched areas are bad. Mr. Dorr doesn't want gravel just have the road maintained.

**Dennis Bowen, 111 Russell Court**, commented that there isn't a lot of traffic on his road and the condition of the road is the same as it's been for 24 years. Mr. Bowen has a paved driveway and doesn't want to go backwards to gravel.

**Eric Carlson, 149 Outer Drive**, commented that Russell Court is in good shape and stated that 95% of residents have paved driveways.

Commissioner Heise thanked the residents for attending the meeting to express their concern.

#### **MANAGING DIRECTOR REPORT**

Managing Director Larry Orcutt presented a brief update on the following:

- Still working on current projects and planning 2019 road projects.
- Indian Reserve Road, South of Werth Road, final contract documents were submitted and will be in the April 6<sup>th</sup> bid opening.
- Bloom Road has been advertised for bids with a bid opening date of April 26, 2018.
- Will be participating in annual PASER rating training on April 10<sup>th</sup>. This mandatory training is to rate federal aid eligible pavements and then report them to the state.
- Bagley Bridge Grant application is ready to be submitted.
- Continuing to apply for Category F Grant application for Werth Road to Lowell to Piper Road.
- Task Force Meeting is on April 6<sup>th</sup> with no changes planned with our three year plan.
- Working on the Asset Management Report, which includes the preservation and improvement scheduled for the next three years. This is a required report that is submitted with the Act 51 report.
- Filed a Declaration of Taking for Bloom Road Right-of-Way and made a clerical change when it was determined that the property was in a trust.

#### **COUNTY ROAD REPORT**

The Superintendent presented the County Road Report for the period February 26, 2018, through March 25, 2018.

**FEBRUARY FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Finance Director presented the Cash/Cash Equivalents Financial Report for the month ended February 28, 2018.

**ANNUAL ACT 51 FINANCIAL REPORT**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to approve the Annual Act 51 Financial Report for the year ended December 31, 2017, as presented and to review it at a future regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, that all reports become a part of the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS**

Commissioner Sterns recommends that the Board look at the conceptual design of Bagley Bridge and discuss it at the next regular meeting.

Commissioner Heise instructed Managing Director Larry Orcutt to get letters of support from the City of Alpena, Alpena Township, and the Snowmobile Club for the Bagley Street Bridge rehabilitation.

**PURCHASES**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to approve the following purchases in the amount of \$100,774.87:

			Description	Amount
1	5306	4/1/18	Michigan County Road Commission Self-Insurance Pool (MCRC SIP) for liability and property insurance renewal for 2018-2019.	\$98,708.00
2	345154	3/29/18	Northern Energy, Inc., 150 gallons EC15W40 oil @ \$6.45/gallon and 105 gallons Hydraulic AW46 oil @ \$4.16/gallon for inventory.	\$1,404.30
3	<sup>454-</sup> 512241-7	3/16/18	YRC Freight, return freight for actuator core for Mower #324.	\$662.57
<b>TOTAL PURCHASES</b>				<b>\$100,774.87</b>

Motion carried unanimously.

**CONTRACT PAYMENTS**

There were no contract payments.

**MARCH BILLS**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to approve March bills in the amount of \$312,879.05. Motion carried unanimously.

**BIDS**

**PAVEMENT TRAFFIC MARKINGS**

The following three bids were received March 22, 2018, for 2018 Pavement Traffic Markings:

M & M Pavement Marking . . . . .	\$43,636.64
Michigan Pavement Marking . . . . .	\$46,363.15
P.K. Contracting . . . . .	\$47,731.32

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to award the bid for 2018 Pavement Traffic Markings to the low bidder, M & M Pavement Markings. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOWER TRACTOR PURCHASE**

The following two quotes were received for the purchase of two mower tractors that were budgeted in the 2018 Budget:

Bader & Sons                    John Deere 5090M Utility Tractor/72" Diamond Rotary Mower for \$74,318.59/tractor.

Flint New Holland            New Holland Powerstar 90 Tractor/72" Tiger Rotary Mower for \$72,359.07/tractor.

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to purchase the two mower tractors from Flint New Holland at a cost of \$72,359.07/tractor with a total cost of \$144,718.14. Motion carried unanimously.

**DUST CONTROL ROAD AGREEMENTS**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to approve the following Road Agreements for Dust Control.

<b><i>ALPENA TOWNSHIP</i></b>	Township	ACRC	Total
2018 Local Road Dust Control Program	<u>Match</u>	<u>Match</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
35% Solution/Brine	\$25,200.00	\$0.00	\$25,200.00
<b><i>MAPLE RIDGE TOWNSHIP</i></b>			
2018 Local Road Dust Control Program			
35% Solution/Brine	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00
<b><i>OSSINEKE TOWNSHIP</i></b>			
2018 Local Road Dust Control Program			
35% Solution/Brine	\$13,200.00	\$0.00	\$13,200.00
<b><i>SANBORN TOWNSHIP</i></b>			
2018 Local Road Dust Control Program			
35% Solution/Brine	\$21,800.00	\$0.00	\$21,800.00
<b><i>WELLINGTON TOWNSHIP</i></b>			
2018 Local Road Dust Control Program			
35% Solution/Brine	\$4,300.00	\$0.00	\$4,300.00

Motion carried unanimously.

**ROAD AGREEMENTS**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to approve the following Alpena Township Road Agreements. Elden Drive and Burk Manor Road Agreements were pulled from approval until more discussion is held with regards to putting them back to gravel.

		Township Share	ACRC Share	Total
Hamilton Road	North Point Rd East to end	\$4,409	\$4,409	8,818
El Cajon	5280 ft. N. of Indian Rd then N. 5016	\$9,972	\$9,972	19,944
Truckey Road	Boilore Rd then North to Naylor Rd	\$10,497	\$10,497	20,994
Wessel Road	Hamilton Rd then North 5280 lft	\$18,726	\$0	18,726
Rensberry Road	3000 lft N of Long Lake Rd then 2350'	\$4,259	\$4,259	8,518
Piper Road	Various Locations	\$5,000	\$5,000	10,000
Hamilton Road (Natural Beauty Trail)	Various Locations	\$3,036	\$1,964	5,000
Partridge Point Road	US-23 then east 1000 ft.	\$3,976	\$0	3,976
Wiess Road	Wessel Rd then west to pavement 1100'	\$2,393	\$2,393	4,786

North Point Road	Hamilton Rd then north 5300 ft.	\$10,537	\$10,537	21,074
Naylor Road	Truckey Rd then 1500 lft West	\$3,402	\$3,402	6,804
Meyers Road	US-23 West to end-return to gravel 400 lft E of N Point Rd then W 1100	\$5,338	\$5,338	10,676
Misery Bay Road	lft south side	\$9,000	\$0	9,000
Pohl Road	US-23 to West	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
		\$ 95,545	\$62,771	158,316

	<u>SEALCOAT PROJECTS (With FOG seal)</u>	<u>Township Share</u>	<u>ACRC Share</u>	<u>Total</u>
Donajkowski Sub	Brooke to East	\$5,800	\$5,800	\$11,600
Lowell/ Cowper	Werth Road to North	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$12,000
Hinckley	Pine to Wayne	\$1,125	\$1,125	\$2,250
Bear Pt Sub	US-23 East(Minus Bare Pt & Island Dr)	\$17,250	\$17,250	\$34,500
Pine	US-23 to Hinckley	\$3,225	\$3,225	\$6,450
	Total Sealcoat Projects	\$33,400	\$33,400	\$66,800
	<b>Total Project Estimate</b>	\$128,945	\$96,171	\$225,116

Motion carried unanimously.

**BAGLEY BRIDGE FUNDING**

Managing Director Larry Orcutt is in the process of submitting a grant application for funding of the Bagley Street Bridge, and is recommending that the Alpena County Road Commission increase their match an extra \$1,000,000 for the bridge rehabilitation, therefore, making the total of Road Commission cost share to be \$1,586,075.

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to increase the Road Commission cost share to \$1,586,075. Motion carried unanimously.

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next regular meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners of Alpena will be Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in the lower level of the Road Commission building.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

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Fred Sterns,  
Chairman

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Julia G. Patterson,  
Board Secretary