

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

October 3, 2017

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.

**ROLL CALL**

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

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

Others Present: Ron McDonald, County Commissioner.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**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 September 19, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

A. Tammy Sumerix-Bates, an email dated September 18, 2017 regarding the Intergovernmental Council meeting on Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Long Rapids Hall.

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise to make the communications a part of the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD**

There were no citizens appearing.

**MANAGING DIRECTOR REPORT**

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

- Carr/Posen Road reconstruction project should be completed by October 15, 2017. Sand base application is complete and working on graveling. Contractor encountered a lot of limestone rock.
- Preparing estimates for future Federal aid projects.
- The Managing Director, the Superintendent, and a Foreman will be attending the Superintendent's Annual Conference in Manistee this week.
- Preparing different plans and scenarios for the 2018 Budget.
- Have a County Road Association Board of Directors meeting in Lansing on October 16, 2017. May participate in a phone conference rather than attend in person.

- Tentative dates have been set for union negotiations with the first session set for Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> followed by another one on Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Working on the process to hire another full-time truck driver.

**COUNTY ROAD REPORT**

The Superintendent presented the County Road Report for the period September 11, 2017 through September 24, 2017.

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

**COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

Commissioner Spaulding visited the Carr/Posen Road reconstruction project site and noticed the ditching is done and was impressed with the number of trucks that Team Elmer's has on the job.

**PURCHASES**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to approve the following purchases in the amount of \$245,722.80:

10A PURCHASES				
Item	PO/Inv	Date	Description	Amount
1	1067	9/21/17	A-1 Tree Service, tree removal and stump grinding for MDOT TWA (Transportation Work Authorization) project.	\$20,400.00
2	85016	9/20/17	Compass Minerals, 750.68 tons @ \$39.20/ton county salt.	\$29,426.66
3	85540	9/21/17	Compass Minerals, 550.91 tons @ \$39.20/ton county salt.	\$21,595.67
4	86148	9/22/17	Compass Minerals, 150.34 tons @ \$39.20/ton county salt.	\$5,893.33
5	2018168	9/26/17	County Road Association of Michigan, Membership Service Charges For October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018.	\$8,067.66
6	17-084	9/17/17	Environmental Excavating & Contractor, Inc., culvert replacement on US-23 for MDOT TWA project.	\$14,855.00
7	17-085	9/18/17	Environmental Excavating & Contractor, Inc., for Ditching/Cross culverts on M-32 for MDOT TWA project.	\$4,362.62
8	27190	9/29/17	Everett Goodrich Trucking, Inc., for 13A asphalt used for patching And grading approaches for MDOT TWA project.	\$9,063.50
9	3016225	9/13/17	Isco Industries, Inc., snap tite liner for MDOT TWA project.	\$11,114.00
10	74048-1	9/30/17	MERS of Michigan, voluntary contribution to the employees retirement plan.	\$100,000.00
11	16-651	9/21/17	Thunder Bay Tree Service, LLC, primary road herbicide application.	\$19,880.00
12	80087N	9/21/17	Truck & Trailer Specialties of Boyne Falls, Inc., Caster Assembly for Sweepster #354.	\$1,064.36
<b>TOTAL PURCHASES</b>				<b>\$245,722.80</b>

Motion carried unanimously.

**CONTRACT PAYMENTS**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to approve the following contract payments of \$7,130.27:

**10B CONTRACT PAYMENTS**

			Description	Amount
1	591- 8179099	9/21/17	Michigan Dept. of Transportation, local progress billing No. 2 for Long Rapids Road, M-65 to Collins Road, resurfacing project.	\$1,259.11
2	alp-1703	9/18/17	Michigan Pavement Markings L.L.C., county road pavement markings.	\$3,821.16
3	4-10697	9/27/17	R.S. Scott Associates, Inc., for boundary and planimetric Survey.	\$2,050.00
			<b>TOTAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS</b>	<b>\$7,130.27</b>

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE SEPTEMBER BILLS**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to approve September 2017 bills in the amount of \$856,074.70. Motion carried unanimously.

**COUNTY TRANSPORTATION PERMITS**

The County Road Association has recently updated various transportation permits required for county road system. Managing Director Larry Orcutt recommends the Board adopt the following permit forms:

Single Move Transportation Permit, dated 6-13-17  
Annual Mobile Home Transportation Permit, dated 6-13-17  
Single Mobile Home Transportation Permit, dated 6-13-17  
Super Move Transportation Permit, dated 6-13-17  
Annual Transportation Permit, dated 6-13-17  
Seasonal Milk Transportation, dated 10-19-15  
Seasonal Public Utility Transportation, dated 10-19-15  
Route Notification Request for Public Utility, dated 10-19-15  
Seasonal Agricultural Transportation, dated 10-19-15  
Route Notification Request for Seasonal Ag, dated 10-19-15

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to adopt the updated transportation permits as required for the Alpena County Road system. Motion carried unanimously.

**REGION 9 RURAL TASK FORCE PROPOSED PROJECTS**

Moved by Spaulding, seconded by Heise, to hold a public hearing at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 17, 2017, to hear comments on proposed projects. Motion carried unanimously.

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next regular meeting of the County of Alpena Road Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Frederick Sterns,  
Chairman

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Julia G. Patterson,  
Secretary