

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

November 26, 2024

The Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Alpena met in a workshop meeting on the above date for the purpose of discussing the 2025 draft budget. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Gerald Lucas, at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Lucas, MacArthur, and Spaulding.
Absent: None.

Staff present: Ryan Brege, Managing Director; Julie Patterson, Finance Director/Board Secretary; John Bygden, Superintendent; Dwayne Coffman, Foreman; C.J. Wise, Foreman; Jake Heltlsey, Engineering Technician; Timmy Beaudoin, Chief Mechanic; and Irma McDonald, Payroll/Accounts Payable Clerk.

AGENDA

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

2025 BUDGET WORKSHOP

Managing Director Ryan Brege reviewed the first draft of the proposed budget for 2025 to the Board that included a net deficit of \$2,146,569. The draft budget presented would leave a fund balance of approximately \$3.2 million for the year ending December 31, 2025.

Mr. Brege reviewed the notes highlighting the revenues and expenditures and answered questions raised by the Board. He explained that the Third Street Extension is in the proposed budget for an estimated cost of \$2.4 million with Charter Township of Alpena possibly paying \$1.2 million of the project. If the Charter Township of Alpena chooses not to participate in the project, the Road Commission will plan to spend \$1 million on overlays for various roads.

Commissioner Spaulding questioned the proposed MTF revenue dollars in the budget. Commissioner MacArthur commented that he would not purchase a new motor grader that would replace a motor grader that is only six years old with only 6,000 hours on the machine. The road equipment was discussed and purchasing used equipment was discussed as an option.

The draft budget will continue to be reviewed by Mr. Brege and Finance Director Julie Patterson as the year progresses. The final budget will be submitted to the Board for their review/approval at a subsequent meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

Gerald E. Lucas, Chairman

Julia G. Patterson,
Board Secretary

