

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chairman  
Al Kloha, Commission Member  
Terry Palmer, Managing Director  
Sam SanMiguel, Superintendent  
Brenda Gordert, Finance Director  
Russ Inman, Design Engineer  
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager  
Art Buck, Design Technician  
Absent: Don Terwillegar, Vice Chairman

Public Present: Andy Kobisa, Hope Township Supervisor; Laura Dawson, Lee Township Clerk; Ron Kutchey

**The Pledge of Allegiance was said**

**Additions to Agenda:**

None

**Approval of Minutes:**

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2018 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Public Comment:**

Ron Kutchey discussed dead ash trees along Saiko Road at the Herner Drain. He asked if Road Commission would cut trees to keep them from falling on the guard rail and he would do the cleanup. Staff will assess and get back with him.

**Approval of Open Accounts:**

The pre-pay for April 5, 2018 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Atton to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for April 5, 2018 in the amount of \$210,764.48.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Correspondence and Items of Information:**

East Central Council meeting will be held April 19<sup>th</sup> in Isabella County.

**Permit listing was reviewed**

**Unfinished Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Discussion was held on candidate projects for the fiscal year 2021 Local Bridge Program.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and second by Commissioner Atton to submit applications for FY2021 Local Bridge Funding and offer the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Road Commissioners, County of Midland, has reviewed the 2018 applications for FY2021 Local Bridge Program funding.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Road Commissioners, County of Midland, actively seek Federal and State participation with the following structures, listed in priority:

- Rehabilitation of Meridian Road over Pine River, Homer Township, section 21 and Lee Township, section 13, structure #6950 – P30.
- Preventative Maintenance of Porter Rd over Pine River, Porter Township, section 17, structure #6946 – P27.
- Preventative Maintenance of 9 Mile Rd over Pine River, Porter Township, section 10, structure #6947 – P17.
- Preventative Maintenance of 4 3/4 Mile Rd over Pine River, Homer Township, section 34, structure #7004 – L41.
- Preventative Maintenance of Pine River Rd over Pine River, Homer Township, sections 24/25, structure #6935 – P04.
- Rehabilitation of Meridian Road over Prairie Creek, Homer Township, section 21 and Lee Township, section 13, structure #6952 – P11.
- Replacement of Kent Rd over Jo Drain with a GRS-IBS structure, Ingersoll Township, sections 24/25, structure #6975 – L09.
- Replacement of Brooks Road over Jo Drain with a GRS-IBS structure, Ingersoll Township, sections 10/15, structure #6976 – L10.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence was received from MDOT regarding jurisdictional transfer of Meridian Road between M20 and Mid-Gratiot County Line Road and discussion was held.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Atton to offer the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Meridian Road connects M30 to M46 and was once certified as M30 in the past

WHEREAS, Meridian Road has been rebuilt and brought up to current standards and within the past 3 years has been chip and sealed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Road Commissioners, County of Midland, requests jurisdictional transfer of Meridian Road between M20 and Mid-Gratiot County Line Road to the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Atton

Nays: None

Resolution Adopted.

**Miscellaneous:**

Terry gave presentation at the bridge conference last week. There are 8 GRS-IBS bridges in the state and Midland County has 7 of them. He spoke with the director of the Mackinac Bridge Authority and he was able to get a bridge tour sometime this summer to go up into the top of the bridge. Discussion will be held on how to choose who will be able to go. He is also able to get bridge tour for the Zilwaukee Bridge.

**Staff Reports:**

Ben stated we will borrow Pat's Gradall's skid steer for the asphalt recycling demonstration next week and he will begin looking for a used one.

He stated the mechanics are working on some catch up work and things are really busy and going good.

Sam stated he has revised all the township estimates with new asphalt numbers due to the 20% increase in pricing.

East Jordan Iron Works and Michigan Pipe and Valve will be on hand Tuesday to demonstrate new products. Demonstration will start at 10:00 am and we have invited surrounding Counties, City of Midland and some local contractors.

Terry discussed Badour Road relocation of county drain. He will be discussing options with Homer and Midland Townships.

Terry, Art and Dave Ranck gave a GRS-IBS bridge presentation to Emmett County Road Commission who is looking into building their own bridge.

He stated frost laws are still in effect and he will continue to check roads. Possible to allow trucks to move first thing in the morning if the weather permits.

We have received a phase one award from the Wetland Bank fund. It will be used for a study for the Magruder Road/Castor Road connection.

Art stated he is working on upcoming projects. Gordonville and 4 ¾ mile start date is April 16<sup>th</sup>.

He has received DEQ permits on Olson Road and 7 Mile. He is meeting with DEQ rep Luke Golden to go over sites.

Russ stated he is busy working on drawings.

Devin has been surveying and working on drawings with Art.

Ashleigh is working on new map production and ran into glitch in software that they are correcting.

He is working on asset management report.

Russ is looking into grants for the townships.

Brenda stated Tom Smith from Smith and Klaczkiewicz is in this week conducting the annual financial audit.

Commissioner Kloha inquired about Waldo Road drain easements and how wide the ROW is. Terry stated each parcel is different and construction is 2 years out.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 9:45 a.m. until Wednesday, April 18, 2018.

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Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

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Mike Atton, Chairman