

The regular meeting of the Midland County Road Commission was called to order by Chairman Atton on Thursday, May 2, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Road Commission office.

Present: Mike Atton, Chairman
Al Kloha, Vice Chairman
Jim Hyatt, Commission Member
Sam SanMiguel, Superintendent
Brenda Gordert, Finance Director
Art Buck, Design Technician
Ben Mead, Facilities Manager
Devin Campbell, Civil Technician
Ashley Rockefeller, GIS Technician

Absent: Terry Palmer, Managing Director
Russ Inman, Design Engineer

Public Present: Jeanette Snyder, Midland County Commissioner; Maria Sandow, Larkin Township Supervisor; Laura Dawson, Lee Township Clerk; Rich Keenan, Mt. Haley Township Supervisor; Bruce Clark, Warren Township Supervisor; Douglas Jackson, Larkin Township.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

Additions to Agenda:

Commissioner Atton added the Quad meeting under Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2019 meeting.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Kloha, Hyatt

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Public Comment:

Mr. Jackson stated concrete barriers have been put up on the McNitt ROW north of Swede Road in Larkin Township and he would like to know the steps to get them removed. He feels they are a danger to property owners using the ROW to access their property. Art and Sam stated they will take pictures, investigate the situation, and talk with Terry Palmer and get back with him.

Approval of Open Accounts:

The pre-pay for May 2, 2019 was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve payment for the payroll and open accounts for May 2, 2019 in the amount of \$519,958.25.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Hyatt, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Correspondence and Items of Information:

Correspondence was received from Representative Annette Glenn congratulating the Road Commission on the Impress Award received from the County Road Association.

Permit listing was reviewed

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Brenda made a request for a credit card for Art Buck for travel and miscellaneous engineering supplies. Credit limit on the card will be \$1,000, the same as other administrative employees.

Moved by Commissioner Kloha and seconded by Commissioner Hyatt to approve credit card for Art Buck with a credit limit of \$1,000.

Roll Call

Yeas: Commissioners Kloha, Hyatt, Atton

Nays: None

Motion Carried

The next East Central Council meeting will be held on July 11, 2019 conflicting with previously scheduled Board Meeting.

Moved by Commissioner Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Kloha to change July 11th Board Meeting to July 10th at 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call.

Yeas: Commissioners Atton, Hyatt, Kloha

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Miscellaneous:

A quad meeting will be held on May 9th at the Jasper Township Hall.

Staff Reports:

Ben stated the new vac truck is working great and training has been completed.

The acid wash on the salt spreader chains has been completed and rust removed.

The mechanics are getting dura patcher, crack seal machine and mowers ready for summer.

New pickups, sign truck, and motor grader should be arriving next month.

One of the new tandem trucks will be ready in a couple weeks.

Sam stated the chip seal program will start May 14th in Ingersoll and Mt. Haley Townships.

Paving will start late in May with the completion of a couple projects left from last year.

Summer help students are set to start on May 6th.

Three employees attended the Work Zone Sign training yesterday and thought it was very informative.

Ashely stated she has been working to get the 2019 construction map online.

She is working on a mini grant for the new county signs.

Devin stated he has been working on drawings for the summer projects.

He stated today is his last day of work. He will be moving out of state to take advantage of another job opportunity. He stated he enjoyed his time at the Road Commission and trying new things.

The Commissioners stated it was a pleasure having him on staff, he will be missed and wished him good luck in his new endeavor.

Art stated we will be looking for a replacement for Devin soon.

He gave project updates:

Castor Road bridge over Salt River deck pour will be late next week and projected to open to traffic May 31st.

Eastman Road scrap tire project had been delayed due to weather.

Poseyville Road project has started and is moving along better than expected.

The contractor has set up the traffic control signs for the Coleman Road project @ School Road and construction is scheduled to last a couple weeks.

Pine River Road resurface from Laporte to Kent project from last year started on Monday.

Sturgeon Road bridge replacement will start May 13th.

Magruder Road Bridge and the Saginaw Road Bridges will not start until after Memorial Day.

Letts Road bridge replacement over Waldo Drain will not start for a couple months due to delivery of materials.

Homer Road bridge over Chippewa River will be in MDOT bid letting on May 2nd.

Art is working with Dow on the trials for the plastic asphalt. They have selected four roads for the plastic asphalt in Larkin Township; Bay-Mid Line Road, Julie Ann Drive, Waskevich, and Eastman Road in conjunction with the tire grant. Details and scheduling dates are being worked out.

Brenda stated the public hearing for the cell tower fees has been scheduled for May 16 at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Atton at 9:35 a.m. until Thursday, May 16, 2019.

Brenda Gordert, Finance Director

Mike Atton, Chairman